# Yahoo Group Archive: nfares

Yahoo Group summary: North Fulton ARES

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# 1. Fwd: test

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2001-06-02 04:21:50 UTC
From: David Ziskind, KE4QLH
Topic: 1  Message: 1

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>Date: Fri, 01 Jun 2001 23:29:23 -0400
>To: North Fulton ARES
>From: "David Ziskind, KE4QLH" <ke4qlh@...>
>Subject: test
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>Hi North Fulton ARES -
>I'm just testing the group to make sure it was set up ok.
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>Thanks,
>David

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## 2. Fwd: Re: Skywarn

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2001-06-03 20:33:42 UTC
From: David Ziskind, KE4QLH
Topic: 2  Message: 2

North Fulton ARES -

With the amount of severe weather that has moved through in the past two weeks, I think it is important to take a look at Skywarn and our procedures. Please visit the webpage, http://www.fultonares.org, and view Steve W4CNG's "Storm Information Report". Also, you may want to take a look at the "Tornado Safety" article he wrote.

Below are some comments from Ed Ferguson, N4YTR, DEC for NWS in Peachtree City, GA. I have inter dispersed my own comments.

Some of these comments only apply when dealing directly with the NWS - however they would be good practice to incorporate into our nets.

73,
David

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>1) As you said, be proactive. Get your nets running in advance of the
>severe weather, not in response to it. EC's should work with your local
>EOC's to be proactive as well.

The decision to start a net in North Fulton will be made by me. I am working to get together a group of Skywarn net controls who can also serve this function. If you need to report severe weather and there is not a net on our machine, go to 146.820, pL146.2. This repeater is linked into NWS during severe weather. If you are a trained NWS spotter, you can also phone in your report to the number you were given. If you are not a spotter, you may report severe weather by calling the NWS at 770-486-1133.

>2) The Skywarn operation mission is to GATHER information. We try to
>read warnings over the linked repeater system as often as possible as a
>service to the spotters. But, there is no guarantee of this since our
>main goal is to rather reports. Always maintain an alternative means of
>receiving warnings in your area.

Lately, WX4PTC (the ham station at NWS, PTC) has been great about keeping field personnel informed, reading the reports before they go out on weather radio! However, do not rely on these reports. You should have an independent source (weather radio, ARES pager, etc). When they get busy,
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they might not be able to keep you up to date.

>3) When giving your report, speaking slowly, carefully, and clearly.
>Give WHAT you are reporting, WHERE it occurred, and WHEN it occurred,
>and WHO observed it. Doing this from the start decreases the time we
>have to spend dragging the information out. Include documentary evidence
>to support the report such as hail size, type of wind damage...TORNADO
>SIGHTED...in the WHAT portion of your report.

When you are reporting wind, do not say "The wind was blowing at xx mph"
UNLESS you have a wind gauge! Rather, give NWS a description. For
example, trees are bent, limbs are snapping, etc. If you do estimate a
wind speed, be explicit that you are estimating!

>4) Unless we state otherwise, we ONLY, ONLY want severe weather reports.
>"Light rain and some lightning in the distance" is NOT a severe weather
>report!! We get these constantly and they unfortunately eat up air time
>needlessly and could be preventing someone with a true weather emergency
>from getting through. However, ANY report of hail, even if it is not
>larger than the minimum size required for severe weather can and should
>be reported.

Hail - give NWS a COIN reference for small hail - i.e. dime size, nickel
size, etc.

>5) We do NOT use the grid system! We do NOT take report locations via
>LAT/LONG! Give your location information in reference to significant
>locations or intersections. For example: 10 miles south of Hwy 54 and
>Hwy 74 intersection in Peachtree City.

Remember major intersections...interstates, major thoroughfares are good
examples.

>6) Don't hesitate to jump repeaters and gather reports from them and
>relay them back to us.

When we have a Skywarn net, there will (or should) be an appointed liason
to pass traffic to NWS. The reason for having separate nets is to keep
traffic with NWS to a minimum, and not to duplicate minor reports, blocking
major ones. Use caution when frequency hopping - the net might already
have a liason to NWS! Don't be the third wheel! But if they have no
liason, the best option is to check into both nets, and offer to liason for
the local net.

>7) Keep someone available to be able to phone in SEVERE weather reports
>to the NWS, just in case. While we nearly always have someone at the NWS
>to operate during severe weather, there is no guarantee that this will
>always happen. Have a backup plan, just in case!

Phone, amateur radio, whatever means it takes. If it takes longer to relay
via amateur radio, then do it by phone! For nets, it may be easier to
liason by telephone. Let the NWS operator know that you are running an
amateur radio skywarn net, and give reports.

>8) Always, always keep your safety and your family's safety as a
>priority over reporting. If it's time to abandon the radio and seek
>shelter, DO IT without hesitation. And, we will never ask you to chase a
>storm. Chasing can be extremely dangerous.

One thing you will notice...NWS and WX4PTC say "for damage reports, wait until AFTER the storm has passed..." Do not put your safety in jeopardy! And as always, storm chasing will never be condoned. At the option of the net control, either at NWS or on a local Skywarn net, mobile stations who seem to be storm chasing may be asked to leave the nets and their reports not acknowledged. Again, do not put yourself in danger! If you have questions, read the report by W4CNG about tornado safety...

A practice I heard today...a station (not from North Fulton ARES), checked in with WX4PTC and preceded to read an NWS bulletin for him! WX4PTC is sitting directly next to a meteorologist, possibly meteorologist-in-charge. They do not need to have the bulletin read back to them! If the operator doesn't read it over the air, it is possible that he/she is handling another situation. Remember, this is a weather spotter / reporting net, not an NWS broadcaster!

One final note - LISTEN! In most cases, WX4PTC will tell you the affected area they are looking for, along with the types of reports. If NWS asks for reports from downtown Atlanta for hail, and you call to report rain and lightning in Roswell, you will waste valuable air time, delay severe weather reports, and looked down upon by NWS! So listen...but if you feel the weather is severe and worthy of reporting, and the air (radio) is clear, report it...or you can always call in via telephone.

73 again,
David

## 3. Metro Atlanta ARES Intranet

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2001-06-06 04:33:27 UTC
From: David Ziskind, KE4QLH
Topic: 3  Message: 3

North Fulton ARES -

Intranets.com has decided to end their free intranet program. They will shut off the metroatlares intranet site effective June 30. If you use the calendar or any features for personal use, that you may need, please start storing your info elsewhere, so you won't loose it.

Their subscription package is along the lines of $15 a month for 5 users, and then $3 a user a month after that, for a maximum of $150 a month. I can't speak for the other intranet administrators, but I am almost positive that no one will continue it. The price, given the features, isn't worth it!

On another note...I was in a battle to secure the domain fultonares.org for several months. I originally registered it with a sleazy company (I didn't know at the time), and it took a period of 4 months to transfer it to my name. Working with Network Solutions, and threatening legal action, we finally got that company off the account, and they now have absolutely no access to administer or make changes in the NSI database. The domain is up for renewal on August 1. Because it is a .org, a one year renewal is only $25. I found a very inexpensive, one time fee only hosting site, that seems to be fairly stable. Right now, I have my personal domain on it, as sort of a test run. The only feature that isn't included is subdomains (i.e. ke4qlh.fultonares.org). However, I don't think that's an issue. The main concern is their email servers, to administer the pageout list. I am still testing it, but I am fairly comfortable with it as it is. Also, this is not a cloaker or re-director, they give us 50mb of space to host the site. Hopefully we can now avoid the times that QSL.net is down... The new host has a built in, web viewable stats program, so we can track site traffic.

I know none of the above really related directly to ham radio...so I figured I'd throw this in:

This Thursday, June 7 is the NFARL meeting. Dinner at 6:30, meeting at 7:30, same place - Southern Skillet. I was going to do a short ARES program after the Field Day meeting. Most likely it will include a brief presentation on the GA Games.

Hope to see you there!

73,
David

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## 4. Fwd: June CCE registration to open

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2001-06-09 03:15:36 UTC
From: David Ziskind, KE4QLH
Topic: 4  Message: 4

If you are interested in the ARRL EC-001 course, it opens this
Monday....see below. Great course, I completed mine at the beginning of May.

73,
David
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> JUNE CERTIFICATION-CONTINUING EDUCATION
>REGISTRATION OPENS
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> June registration for Level I --
>Introduction to Amateur Radio Emergency Communications will open at 4 PM
>EDT on Monday, June 11. Each class will have slots available for 50
>students. This allows for a comfortable class size, and permits Mentors more
>freedom to adjust their schedule as they see fit.
>
> After 4 PM Monday, the registration form can
>be found at: https://www.arrl.org/forms/cce/.
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> The Certification-Continuing Education
>(C-CE) Home page (http://www.arrl.org/cce), and the C-CE FAQ
>(http://www.arrl.org/cce/faq.html) will answer most C-CE questions. Further
>queries should be sent to cce@....
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> Please share this information with all
>interested individuals. Your continued support and participation are
>gratefully appreciated.
>
> Dan, K3UFG
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# 5. Fwd: WEATHER ALERT GA - Fulton County

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2001-06-12 02:31:00 UTC
From: David Ziskind, KE4QLH
Topic: 5  Message: 5

FYI ...

-David
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>..A FLASH FLOOD WATCH IS IN EFFECT FOR PARTS OF NORTH & CENTRAL
>GEORGIA FOR TONIGHT THROUGH TUES AFTERNOON...
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>THE NATIONAL WEATHER SERVICE HAS ISSUED A FLASH FLOOD WATCH FOR PARTS
>OF NORTH & CENTRAL GEORGIA UNTIL 400 PM EDT TUES AFTERNOON.
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>THE FOLLOWING COUNTIES ARE IN THE FLASH FLOOD WATCH...
>UPSON...JOHNSON...HEARD...HARALSON...SCHLEY...NEWTON...BIBB...HALL...
>WILCOX...WALTON...OCONEE...COBB...CLARKE...TROUP...WILKES...HARRIS...
>FULTON...TALBOT...CLAYTON...SPALDING...GWINNETT...COWETA...LAMAR...
>JASPER...ROCKDALE...PAULDING...MACON...JEFFERSON...WASHINGTON...
>MUSCOGEE...DOOLY...FORSYTH...MORGAN...PUTNAM...GREENE...JONES...
>HOUSTON...TREUTLEN...BLECKLEY...JACKSON...DODGE...STEWART...
>MERIWETHER...GLASCOCK...WILKINSON...BANKS...HENRY...PULASKI...
>WHEELER...DOUGLAS...POLK...BARROW...MONROE...EMANUEL...BALDWIN...
>MADISON...CARROLL...MONTGOMERY...TWIGGS...DEKALB...TELFAIR...
>TALIAFERRO...CRAWFORD...TAYLOR...TOOMBS...WEBSTER...CHEROKEE...
>HANCOCK...PEACH...WARREN...SUMTER...PIKE...FAYETTE...CRISP...
>OGLETHORPE...MARION...CHATTAHOOCHEE...LAURENS & BUTTS.
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>THE LOW PRESSURE AREA ASSOCIATED WITH THE REMNANTS OF ALLISON WAS
>MOVING ACROSS S. ALABAMA. THIS LOW PRESSURE AREA WILL MOVE ACROSS
>GEORGIA OVER THE NEXT 24 HOURS. THE ATMOSPHERE ACROSS GEORGIA WILL
>REMAIN VERY MOIST AS THE LOW MOVES ACROSS THE AREA.
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>SHOWERS & THUNDERSTORMS WILL OCCUR ACROSS THE FLASH FLOOD WATCH
>AREA THROUGH TUESDAY. RAINFALL AMOUNTS OF ONE TO FOUR INCHES ARE
>EXPECTED WITH LOCALLY HEAVIER AMOUNTS POSSIBLE. THE FLASH FLOOD
>WATCH EXTENDS ALONG & SOUTH OF A LINE FROM CEDARTOWN TO CANTON
>GAINESVILLE TO HOMER.
>
>A FLASH FLOOD WATCH IS ISSUED WHEN SMALL STREAMS...CREEKS...AND OTHER
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>DRAINAGE AREAS ARE EXPECTED TO RISE QUICKLY TO ABOVE BANKFULL LEVELS.
>THESE RISES ARE USUALLY DUE TO EXCESSIVE RAIN FALLING ON ALREADY
>SATURATED GROUND. REMEMBER...A WATCH MEANS THAT FLASH FLOODING IS
>POSSIBLE. PEOPLE IN THE FLASH FLOOD WATCH AREA SHOULD KEEP ABREAST OF
>THE WEATHER & PREPARE TO MOVE TO HIGHER GROUND SHOULD A FLASH FLOOD
>WARNING BE ISSUED.
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>REMEMBER...MOST FLASH FLOOD DEATHS OCCUR IN AUTOMOBILES ATTEMPTING TO
>CROSS FLOODED AREAS. STAYED TUNED TO NOAA WEATHER RADIO OR THE
>MEDIA...FOR LATER STATEMENTS OR POSSIBLE WARNINGS CONCERNING THIS
>FLASH FLOOD SITUATION.

## 6. EMA mtg

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2001-06-13 15:48:20 UTC
From: ke4qlh@arrl.net
Topic: 6  Message: 6

N.Fulton ARES -

Got a call today from the Atlanta Fulton Emergency Management Agency, inviting an ARES rep. to the GA Mutual Aid Group (GMAG) mtg tomorrow (June 14 - Thurs) at 10am in Henry County, at the Henry Co. EOC. GMAG is a mutual aid group of fire and emergency services - when something happens and a county needs assistance, they get it through GMAG. The EMA has met several times with GMAG and they have expressed a strong interest in our work. I just found out about 15 minutes ago about this meeting... If you are available, please let me know. I think the idea is to have someone be able to answer questions and talk for a few minutes about ARES. If you can make it, please let me know.

Thanks,
David KE4QLH
EC North Fulton
ke4qlh@...

## 7. Alpharetta Fire and Emergency Services

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2001-06-29 12:45:20 UTC
From: ke4qlh@arrl.net
Topic: 7  Message: 7

N. Fulton ARES -

I am going to meet with the Emergency Management Director of Alpharetta Fire and Emergency Services THIS Saturday around 2:30pm. The guy found me by doing a search on the web and came across the fultonares.org website! Anyway, he is really excited to involve amateur radio in Alpharetta's emergency plans. So excited, in fact, that he's coming in on Saturday, his off day, to meet with me, because that's the only time I can meet with him!

Part of our meeting is going to be a demo. I'm going to set up crossband in my car, and show him how a small, low power HT can talk all over Atlanta. I NEED YOUR HELP HERE. Between 2:30 and 3:30pm on Saturday, I'll be on the NFARL (145.470-) repeater. If for any reason it is down or there are problems, we'll go to MATPARC (145.410-). Please make a point to monitor the radio during this hour. I'd like to show that at any given time, there are lots of amateurs monitoring. I also plan to show off the phone patch and controller features.

Thanks and 73,
David Ziskind KE4QLH
EC North Fulton

## 8. North Fulton ARES Update

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2001-07-10 02:49:35 UTC
From: David Ziskind, KE4QLH
Topic: 8  Message: 8

>North Fulton ARES members -
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>Sorry for the lapse in communications recently, I've been swamped with the
>coordination of communications for the Georgia Games!
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>Let me fill you in with what has been going on...
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>--> Alpharetta
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>I met with the Emergency Management Director of Alpharetta Fire and
>Emergency Services on Saturday, June 30. What started as a 1 hr meeting
>quickly threatened to push 4 hrs! Thanks for being on the repeater ready
>for a demo if necessary - but this guy was already sold on amateur radio, he
>just needed some details and ideas! Turns out Alpharetta is trying to
>become StormReady, and Lans (KD5EJN), Meteorologist-In-Charge at NWS,
>PtreeCity told emergency management officials that a primary requirement
>would be to establish a spotter network, and maintain communications with
>NWS via amateur radio! I am working on developing our Skywarn program and
>have asked David KG4LSK to step in as Assistant Emergency Coordinator for
>Skywarn. Our Skywarn program needs lots of development, and I will be
>working with David in the coming weeks to develop a script and activation
>protocols.
>
>Speaking of Skywarn: We have been invited to a special Skywarn class being
>held for City of Alpharetta employees. This class will be held on July 30,
>31, and August 1 in Alpharetta. It's a one day, 2 hr class that is being
>held three different days for your convenience. This is a major opportunity
>to become Skywarn certified. Next public Skywarn class isn't until next
>January! Please strongly consider taking one of these classes. They are
>free, and injected with plenty of humor from Barry Gooden, NWS. RSVP to me
>ASAP with your preferred day. Also note that this offer is only good for
>current North Fulton ARES members (i.e., if you are getting this email from
>me!). Do not advertise this, there is not space for others unfortunately.
>
>At the Alpharetta facility there is a training / meeting room that is
>accessible by us for training or meeting use. I will be working with Steve
>W4CNG to set up another training session shortly.
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>--> Net manager update
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>Ben, KF4WBX asked to step down as AEC - Net Manager last month due to his
>work schedule. This position is now open, and I am looking for someone to
>fill it. Net manager is responsible for scheduling and training, as

>appropriate, net control operators for the Sunday 8:30 North Fulton ARES
>net. Additionally, script development and net protocols are two ongoing
>duties. In an activation, the net manager would be responsible for
>activating a net. I need someone to fill this position. Please email me if
>you are interested. Also - if you are interested in being a net control for
>upcoming nets, please let me know. The current net rotation is on the
>fultonares.org webpage - but it 'runs out' at the end of this month. Please
>let me know if you can volunteer to run a net or two, and your preferred
>dates. Running a net is GREAT practice and helps to hone your operating
>skills. Training and scripts are available, all I need is your interest!
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>--> Website update
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>The domain "fultonares.org" has been renewed for 10 years. I have found an
>inexpensive hosting provider for the site. In the next week, I will be
>transferring all files over to this new provider. The only problem with
>transferring files / hosts is that until the DNS information propogates, our
>site could be down for a little while. I am going to try to do this late
>one evening, and hope that the propogation is complete by the next
>morning... This is a true hosting service - we will no longer need to rely
>on QSL.net, though I possibly plan to use it as a miror site. This new
>provider has been hosting my personal domain for 3 months now, and I have
>been nothing short of totally satisfied with their uptime, features, cost,
>and support. They provide 50 megs, virtually unlimited bandwidth, email
>forwarding, raw website stats that are publically accessible, and have told
>me they plan to add FrontPage support soon. Speaking of email
>forwarding...did you know you can get an email address like
>callsign@...? It will forward to whatever email address you
>want. If you'd like to have this setup for your callsign, please send me an
>email and let me know what address you want it to forward to. Right now,
>you can reach Webmaster Bob by emailing webmaster@... :)
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>
>--> PUBLIC SERVICE
>
>A major undertaking of mine is coordinating communications for the Georgia
>Games. The highlight of the Games is the Championships event, held July
>14-22, 2001. The Games were started in 1990 to prepare Georgia for the
>Olympics, and their legacy has continued. The Championships feature the
>BEST amateur athletes from throughout the state.
>
>Communications for this event is done primarily through amateur radio. We
>have secured some cellphones for venues that do not have hams - but you and
>I know that getting efficient, if any, communications out of people via
>cellphone rarely works. I am being assisted in this major undertaking by
>Cobb ARES, under EC Bob Butler W4RBB and the Atlanta Radio Club, under
>President Penn McClatchey K4PE. The majority of events take place in
>Atlanta and Cobb Co / Marietta, but there are a few that occur in the
>Alpharetta area and further north. Please consider giving a few hours of

>your time to help this cause. You can find a complete venue listing at
>http://www.qsl.net/ke4qlh, along with an online registration form :) With 2
>weekends and the included week, you are sure to find a convenient time when
>you can give a few hours! Additionally, there are still several shadow and
>net control positions available. Operating an event with 30+ stations on
>the air, scattered throughout the Greater Metro Atlanta and surrounding
>areas, is sure to hone your operating skills. This should be considered a
>North Fulton ARES training activitiy, since I will be presenting a recap
>afterwards. Furthermore - Steve W4CNG will be operating a special event
>station, W0W, from the Operations Center on the second weekend (July 21 &
>22). Another great opportunity to have fun and test your skills as the
>'hunted' station - but you gotta volunteer for a Games related position
>first!
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>
>That's about it for this recap. Be sure to check our website frequently for
>ARES updates.
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>Thanks for your dedication to amateur radio, public and emergency services,
>in North Fulton County!
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>73,
>David

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## 9. Skywarn

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2001-07-12 00:54:42 UTC
From: David Ziskind, KE4QLH
Topic: 9  Message: 9

Hi all -

I forgot to mention - the Skywarn classes on July 30, 31 and August 1 start at 10am and are supposed to last 2hrs. It's the same material at all three classes. Remember - these classes are only for North Fulton ARES members.

73,
David

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## 10. North Fulton ARES / Skywarn Update

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2001-07-24 01:56:06 UTC
From: David Ziskind, KE4QLH
Topic: 10  Message: 10

ARES Update for North Fulton County, GA...

- fultonares.org is now on a new server. It seems to be a little faster than qsl.net. I monitored the DNS propogation over the day when I changed the server entries, and it doesn't seem to have affected the uptime of the site.

- I sent out a page today (07-23-01) at 2:30pm. It was to confirm that the email forwarding is working correctly. If you are on a device other than the Motorola Advisor Classic that you obtained from me (i.e. personal pager, email, etc) and did not get the page, please let me know ASAP.

- If you would like a forwarding address like 'yourcall@...', just let me know and I can set it up for you.

- SKYWARN: There is a free one day, beginner Skywarn class being offered in Alpharetta on July 30, 31, and August 1. On July 30 I have ??? and ??? signed up, and ??? and ??? on August 1. Does anyone else want to attend? It's a two hour course that starts at 10:00am at Fire Headquarters. I will be sending out an email in the next day with directions for those who have indicated they will be attending.

- The Georgia Games, July 14-22, were a terrific success thanks to participation from North Fulton ARES, Cobb ARES, and Atlanta Radio Club members, along with other area hams. W4CNG operated special event station W0W and cleaned up using PSK-31, including one contact with ND4D!

73,
David

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## 11. Re: [nfares] North Fulton ARES / Skywarn Update

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2001-07-24 02:05:43 UTC
From: David Ziskind, KE4QLH
Topic: 10  Message: 11

I meant to replace the ??? with the people attending!

Attending Mon July 30: KG4LSK and W4CNG
Attending Wed Aug 1: KG4GWU and KF4SLZ

-David

At 09:56 PM 7/23/2001 -0400, you wrote:
>ARES Update for North Fulton County, GA...
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>- fultonares.org is now on a new server. It seems to be a little faster
>than qsl.net. I monitored the DNS propogation over the day when I changed
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>site.
>
>- I sent out a page today (07-23-01) at 2:30pm. It was to confirm that the
>email forwarding is working correctly. If you are on a device other than
>the Motorola Advisor Classic that you obtained from me (i.e. personal pager,
>email, etc) and did not get the page, please let me know ASAP.
>
>- If you would like a forwarding address like 'yourcall@...',
>just let me know and I can set it up for you.
>
>- SKYWARN: There is a free one day, beginner Skywarn class being offered in
>Alpharetta on July 30, 31, and August 1. On July 30 I have ??? and ???
>signed up, and ??? and ??? on August 1. Does anyone else want to attend?
>It's a two hour course that starts at 10:00am at Fire Headquarters. I will
>be sending out an email in the next day with directions for those who have
>indicated they will be attending.
>
>- The Georgia Games, July 14-22, were a terrific success thanks to
>participation from North Fulton ARES, Cobb ARES, and Atlanta Radio Club
>members, along with other area hams. W4CNG operated special event station
>W0W and cleaned up using PSK-31, including one contact with ND4D!
>
>73,
>David
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>David Ziskind, KE4QLH <mailto:ke4qlh@...>
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## 12. Meeting and APRS CD

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2001-07-31 12:54:54 UTC
From: ke4qlh@arrl.net
Topic: 12  Message: 12

NFARES members -

This Thursday (Aug 2) is the monthly meeting of the North Fulton Amateur Radio League. Afterwards, we'll have a brief ARES meeting...hopefully someone will be able to give a recap of the Skywarn training (any takers?) and I will talk a little about the Georgia Games.

This past month there was an APRS seminar in Greene Co. that David, KG4LSK attended. They had a CD with material on it. My understanding is it has the APRS program AND all of the maps, plus other utilities! David has offered to burn copies for everyone who wants one, as long as: 1. You tell me by Wednesday (Aug 1) and 2. You bring him a blank CD or a buck or two to cover his CD. As long as you tell me by Wednesday, just show up to the NFARL meeting and swap your blank CD or $$ for an APRS CD!

Alpharetta Fire and Emergency Services are very excited to have our support. The director has already mentioned that he will write in an equipment budget for this coming year for us! On a side note, Jim KE4ZX is the guy with Roswell 911 / PD who is associated with the ham station there...I've met with him (he volunteered for the Games) and discussed the possible role of ham radio in Roswell public safety.

That's all for now. Have a good day, and let me know if you want a CD!

David KE4QLH
EC North Fulton

## 13. HeartTrek 2001 - November 3, 2001

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2001-09-10 04:44:19 UTC
From: David Ziskind, KE4QLH
Topic: 13  Message: 13

HeartTrek 2001 is coming up on Nov. 3...it's a benefit run for the American Heart Association, start / finish is Turner Field. They need 8-10 operators from 6:30am-2pm. Unfortunately I will be out of town...would anyone be willing to coordinate this for them? Please let me know...ke4qlh@... or 404-966-6864.

Thanks and 73,
David

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# 14. Fwd: [gaares] GA ARES Homepage

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2001-09-10 04:11:03 UTC
From: David Ziskind, KE4QLH
Topic: 14  Message: 14

Info from Lowry KM4Z about the statewide ARES meeting, Jan 19, 2002.

-David

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>OH, speaking of a great job, it's bit early but the
>Statewide SEC Meeting scheduled for Jan. 19th, 2002
>in Forsyth, GA. is fast approaching. We need another
>ARES Amateur of the Year for 2001 to be chosen. To do
>that, we need nominations from the ARES membership.
>Please e-mail candidates and a short statement why
>they should be chosen. The Section Manager and my-self
>will review the nominations and make a decision by the
>end of December. Send e-mails to km4z@... and cc
>w4ru@.... Thanks.
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# 15. Fwd: [putnamares] ARRLWeb FCC, Federal Agencies Shut Down in Wake of Terrorist Attacks

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2001-09-11 17:36:32 UTC
From: David Ziskind, KE4QLH
Topic: 15  Message: 15

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>FCC, Federal Agencies Shut Down in Wake of Terrorist Attacks
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>NEWINGTON, CT, Sep 11, 2001--Along with most other federal agencies, the
>FCC has closed its offices and sent its employees home in the wake of
>apparent terrorist attacks this morning in New York City, Washington, DC,
>and elsewhere. The FCC has issued no emergency declaration nor other
>special instructions to the Amateur Radio community. The ARRL has advised
>amateurs to stay alert to instructions from local authorities. President
>George W. Bush has announced that the US military is on high alert in the
>US and abroad.
>
>US air traffic was shut down after two airliners struck the twin towers of
>the 110-story World Trade Center in New York City this morning within a
>short time of each other. The buildings towers partially collapsed in the
>wake of the collissions. An aircraft subsequently crashed into the
>Pentagon, and another aircraft crashed near Pittsburgh, reportedly after
>being hijacked. American Airlines and United Airlines both have
>acknowledged that they have lost planes this morning. More than 260 died
>in the crashes. Thousands were believed injured in New York City; there's
>no estimate on the number killed.
>
>New York City-Long Island Section Emergency Coordinator Tom Carrubba,
>KA2D, said there has been no request for any Amateur Radio Emergency
>Service response at this time. New York City's emergency management
>offices are located in the World Trade Center. He said he was alerting all
>amateurs, especially ARES and Radio Amateur Civil Emergency Service
>personnel, to get prepared and to stand by. Carrubba reported that he was
>not hearing any traffic from NYC hams on their TAC1 VHF frequency. "All
>land-line circuits are jammed," he said. "We are all on standby."
>
>Carrubba said he's in the process of setting up a command channel on a
>linked repeater system that will cover from New York City and into Long
>Island's Suffolk County. "Please be alert, prepared and patient," Carrubba
>said.
>
>In the Washington, DC, area, Virginia SEC Tom Gregory, N4NW, says Virginia
>ARES has been put on alert but has not yet been activated. "I've asked
>everyone to monitor the emergency frequencies and to keep a full tank of
>gas." He said the attack on Washington has resulted in a massive traffic
>jam as workers in DC attempt to leave the capital. He said cellular
>telephone communication was next-to-impossible. "Due to the terrorist

>activities today, we must remain ready for any eventuality," Gregory
>added. While no emergency nets are yet in operation, Gregory said all
>repeaters would be available as well as 7.243 MHz and 3.947 MHz on HF.
>
>Virginia RACES reportedly has been activated at the state emergency
>operations center at Virginia State Police headquarters in Richmond. This
>was said to be a precautionary measure, not a statewide callup.
>
>ARES and RACES organizations are locally managed, and word of additional
>activations or of direct ham radio involvement in the affected areas is
>not known at this time.
>
>The FCC's Riley Hollingsworth today suggested that the amateur community
>remain calm but ready. He invited amateurs monitoring any suspicious radio
>activity to contact him, and he will relay relevant information to the FCC
>duty team. "You never know," he said. He advised monitors to tape such
>radio traffic, if possible.
>
>The federal government has activated its SHARES HF emergency
>communications system.
>
>Should a state of war be declared, Amateur Radio would not automatically
>be shut down. The section of FCC rules requiring this--§214(b)(4) of Title
>47 CFR Chapter II--was eliminated prior to the Gulf War.
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>Page last modified: 01:05 PM, 11 Sep 2001 ET
>Page author: <mailto:awextra@...>awextra@arrl.org
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## 16. Events

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2001-09-11 22:00:05 UTC
From: David Ziskind, KE4QLH
Topic: 16  Message: 16

Please leave your ARES pager on this evening. I spoke with Atlanta Fulton EMA officials, they would like us to be available should any more events unfold.

If you get on HF this evening, please stay FAR away from 3.993.5 and 7.248 as they are being used by New York State RACES.

Thanks for your help.

73,
David

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# 17. Fwd: Coweta ARES Event

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2001-09-16 19:59:13 UTC
From: David Ziskind, KE4QLH
Topic: 17  Message: 17

The upcoming BRAG Fall training ride. Email Sam (kd4shk@...) for details.

-David
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>The Coweta County ARES is preparing to assist with the BRAG Georgia
>BikeFest. It will be held in and around Coweta County (Newnan) on Oct
>5-7th. Please spread the word, as we need additional assistance staffing
>the locations.
>
>We are providing communications between the rest stops, SAG wagons, and the
>Headquarters at Newnan High School (where the participants will be camping).
>
>We will be using APRS to track the SAG's, and regular voice comms to link
>the rest stops.
>
>Additional info on the ride itself is available at
>http://www.brag.org/gbf.html
>
>Again, please spread the word, as we need 8-15 volunteers each day. Anyone
>interesting in helping can contact me via email.
>
>Thanks,
>Sam Smith KD4SHK
>EC, Coweta County ARES
>kd4shk@...
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# 18. Fwd: ARECC Level II to Open

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2001-09-21 22:23:00 UTC
From: David Ziskind, KE4QLH
Topic: 18  Message: 18

FYI

-David

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>From: "ARRL Field & Educational Services" <memberlist@...>
>Subject: ARECC Level II to Open
>Date: Fri, 21 Sep 2001 13:48:56 -0400
>To: recipient list suppressed:;
>
> FYI. This will be posted on the ARRL Web next Monday. Please
>inform all interested parties of this opportunity.
>
> ARRL Level II -- Intermediate Emergency Communications
>Course
>
> On Monday, September 24, registration for another ARRL Level
>II Amateur Radio Emergency Communications On-line Course will open at 4 PM
>Eastern Time. Go to the CCE Registration Page
><https://www.arrl.org/forms/cce> to take advantage of this great continuing
>education training. Each class is limited to 50 seats so don't wait too long
>to get registered.
>
> Much more information is available at the CCE Home Page
><http://www.arrl.org/cce> and the links shown in the small box on the right
>of that screen. Stay informed by reviewing these periodically as they are
>changing and growing at a rapid rate.
>
> Additional queries can be sent to cce@....
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## 19. Fwd: Reminder

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2001-09-26 15:30:44 UTC
From: David Ziskind, KE4QLH
Topic: 19  Message: 19

>Tnx. --Dan
>------------------------
>REMINDER: ARECC LEVEL II Registration
>
>A few seats still remain for the September on-line class of Level II --
>Intermediate Emergency Communications Course (EC-002). Go to the
>registration site <https://www.arrl.org/forms/cce> and get signed up now for
>the class that begins next week.
>
>Although we highly recommend taking Level I first, this is not mandatory. If
>you have a desire to learn more about emergency communications and net
>procedures, Level II will certainly offer new tools for your local use.
>(Some students have found Level I a great follow-up after taking Level II.)
>
>Be sure to review the latest information about this new ARRL continuing
>education program. Take a look at http://www.arrl.org/cce and the links in
>the small box on the right of the CCE Home Page. You'll find the CCE
>Syllabus, FAQ, Classroom Courses, and much more.
>
>If you or anyone you know has problems getting registered, contact me
>directly at (860) 594-0340 or via direct email at cce@....
>
>Vy 73 and good luck.
>
>Dan Miller, K3UFG
>ARRL Certification and Continuing Education
> Program Coordinator
>(860) 594-0340
>E-mail: dmiller@...
>Fax: 860-594-0259
>Web: http://www.arrl.org/cce

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# 20. Fwd: SET/SCT Results

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2001-10-08 02:35:10 UTC
From: David Ziskind, KE4QLH
Topic: 20  Message: 20

Thank you to everyone who participated!

73,
David

>The North Fulton ARES Net was paged out at 09:36AM, and was concluded at
>10:05AM. The net was operated as a background net. There were 9
>Checkins, 7 on Standby Power including NCS Steve W4CNG.
>
>The VHF Checkins were relayed to Robert KF4VBR on 145.41. A message of
>activation was sent to Lowery at 09:45AM, delivered to him at 10:00AM, and
>responded back at 10:06 on 7275Khz.
>
>The test message from GEMA was read to all on the net following the
>preamble of the net.
>
>73 Steve W4CNG

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## 21. Possible activation scenarios

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2001-10-12 01:38:12 UTC
From: David Ziskind, KE4QLH
Topic: 21  Message: 21

North Fulton ARES -

Please be aware of the following information. It is a press release from the FBI, and you can view it at the following hyperlink: http://www.fbi.gov/pressrel/pressrel01/101101.htm

BEGIN FBI PRESS RELEASE

For Immediate Release
October 11, 2001
Washington D.C.
FBI National Press Office
Certain information, while not specific as to target, gives the government reason to believe that there may be additional terrorist attacks within the United States and against U.S. interests overseas over the next several days. The FBI has again alerted all local law enforcement to be on the highest alert and we call on all people to immediately notify the FBI and local law enforcement of any unusual or suspicious activity.
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END FBI PRESS RELEASE

This is not a call for paranoia, I simply encourage you to be aware of this information.

I am headed out of town Friday night through Tuesday evening. In my absence, the group will be managed by Steve, W4CNG. He has sole authority and will issue any activations if necessary.

73,
David

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## 22. Fwd: ARECC Level I to Open

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2001-10-12 14:01:07 UTC
From: David Ziskind, KE4QLH
Topic: 22  Message: 22

FYI...

-David

>Sign up for October Emergency Communications Level I on-line course!
>October registration for the Level I--Introduction to Amateur Radio
>Emergency Communications on-line course (EC-001) will open Monday, October
>15, at 4 PM Eastern Time. Two classes of 50 students will be processed
>during the week, and the on-line classes will begin the week of October 22.
>After 4 PM Monday--and until all seats are filled-the registration form can
>be found on the ARRL Course Registration page
><https://www.arrl.org/forms/cce/>. Answers to most questions are on the ARRL
>Certification and Continuing Education Home page <http://www.arrl.org/cce>
>and the links found in the small box on the right of that screen. To learn
>more, contact ARRL Certification and Continuing Education Coordinator Dan
>Miller, K3UFG, cce@.... Registration for Level II--Intermediate Amateur
>Radio
>Emergency Communications (EC-002) will re-open Monday, October 29.

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## 23. Fwd: [gaares] Flag Across America

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2001-10-17 04:04:31 UTC
From: David Ziskind, KE4QLH
Topic: 23  Message: 23

Something to get involved with this weekend...

73,
David

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>Please read the following info and view the
>www.flagrun.org webpage. I am going to contact Bill
>Lokes and see exactly what we can do. In the mean
>time, please get the word out to all Amateurs in your
>area and see who would be willing to participate. I
>send out the info of times and what's required as as I
>get the details. E-mail me back at km4z@....
>
>Dear ARRL Section Managers:
>
>This morning (October 16), ARRL Headquarters heard
>from an organizer of "Flag Across America." The group
>is seeking help from Amateur Radio operators for
>short-range communications as they progress across the
>United State along a southerly route. This means
>communications from their mobile-coordination van to
>about ten miles or so ahead on the route. This event
>is already "on the road." In fact, I first heard
>about
>it on the local television news a few days ago as the
>Flag runners came through Connecticut. The runners
>started in Boston and are heading toward Los Angeles
>over the next month. As you'll see in the attached
>message from Bill Lokes, their Web site,
>www.flagun.org, has a map, itinerary and many more
>details about this run.
>
>Please pass the word along to your Section's members,
>radio clubs, field appointees, and anyone else that
>may be able to lend some assistance to "Flag Across
>America." For those that would like to help with
>communications along the route, send an e-mail to or
>call Bill Lokes or Gene Atwell. Their contact
>information is found at the conclusion of their
>message.
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>
>If you hear about your Section's radio amateurs
>helping with "Flag Across America," please keep ARRL
>HQ posted. We will want to help spread this news as
>well. Thank you!
>
> 73,
>Steve Ewald, WV1X
>ARRL Public Service Specialist,
>sewald@...
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>
>Here's another e-mail:
>
>Hello,
>
>My name is Bill Lokes, I am a Captain for American
>Airlines. As you may have seen on the news, a
>grassroots group of American and United Airlines
>employees have an event in progress-- "American's
>United Flag Run". This event is to honor the crew and
>passengers killed on September 11th, to show the
>American Spirit and to raise money for relief funds
>already established.
>
>Our Website is www.flagrun.org. We would like to see
>if the ARRL would be able to provide us with
>assistance
>as we carry our nation's flag across the country. We
>need a way, besides cell phone, to provide short range
>communications between our rolling "command center"
>and various coordinators along the route. Since
>this event is moving 24 hours a day, covering
>approximately 120 miles a day, we could use the help
>of your clubs along the route. As I type this, the
>caravan is somewhere between Washington, DC and
>Richmond. A projected 'Time line' is on our website.
>If you can help or put me in touch with someone,
>please call me or email me, or Gene Atwell.
>
> Thank you.
>Bill Lokes
>Sponsor Committee
>610 767 9246
>610 751 2290 cell
>blokes@...
>
>Gene Atwell
>215 348 1594

>email atwell@...
>
>
>
>OK, I'll see what I can find out and post it to the
>reflector.
>
> Lowry Rouse KM4Z
> GA SEC

## 24. Fwd: [gaares] Flag Across America

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2001-10-17 04:05:53 UTC
From: David Ziskind, KE4QLH
Topic: 23  Message: 24

More FYI.

-David

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>Tues at 3pm: Just talked to Bill Lokes via telephone.
>The exact route across GA hasn't been posted to their
>web site yet but is being prepared now. What we'll
>need is for several Amateurs to be stationed along the
>route with runner coordinators to communicate from the
>field to the command vehicle which will be traveling
>along with the runners. They do have cell phones but
>the type communication needed won't work with cell
>phones. They want Hams who can either use repeaters or
>if close enough, use simplex frequencies to pass the
>info required to stage runners and of course call for
>medical assistance if needed.
>
>Looking at the map, it looks like they'll follow I-20
>somewhat from Augusta to Alabama. They will not be on
>the Interstate I was told. They'll be using secondary
>roads. The ideal situation is to stage this county by
>county and hand off communication duties as the
>command van rolls across the state to AL. As soon as
>all the counties are known, we'll begin to place
>volunteers along the route.
>
>Please feel free to start volunteering now and as info
>comes in, we'll begin placing people close to their
>home area along the route. I realize this is short
>notice and we may not get all the volunteers that are
>needed, but let's give it a shot and see how we
>respond.
>
>Please use me as the coordinating person for now until
>we get some organization started. As we get people on
>board, you'll probably will have a local person to
>contact as we approach Friday. That's the day they
>will move into GA near Augusta. I'll keep in touch and
>will post any new info as I get it.
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> Lowry KM4Z
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>_____
>Do You Yahoo!?
>Make a great connection at Yahoo! Personals.
>http://personals.yahoo.com
>
>---
>To unsubscribe from this list, send a message to majordomo@...
>and include "unsubscribe gaares" in the body of the message.
>---

## 25. Fwd: SIGNUP Assistance

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2001-10-17 21:29:16 UTC
From: David Ziskind, KE4QLH
Topic: 25  Message: 25

This "emergency email network" is a great, free service. You can get weather info, civil defense stuff, whatever you want. They tend to be fairly up-to-date and straightforward.

-David

>We are attempting to immediately increase our presence wihtin GA ...
>We ask that you pass on singup information to
>family and friends if you feel it would benefit them.
>Signup Page at http://www.emergencye.com/
>Suspspicious Mail and Package info:
>http://208.184.24.125/DefaultMailAdvisory.asp
>..Network NEWS...
>10-17-2001
>THE EMERGENCY EMAIL NETWORK HAS BEEN NAMED TO THE
>CONGRESSIONAL INTERNET CAUCUS ADVISORY COMMITTEE

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# 26. Fwd: [gaares] Flag Across America Thurs Update

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2001-10-19 13:40:07 UTC
From: David Ziskind, KE4QLH
Topic: 26  Message: 26

They're coming through this Saturday night....

-David

>OK, Here is a list of counties that the run will be
>passing through starting at 1pm tomorrow.
>
>Fri Oct 19th at 1:10pm - Augusta Amphitheater
>
>Then it will proceed as follows:
>
> Richmond County
> Columbia County 5:15pm
> McDuffie County 7:15pm
> Warren County 9:37pm
> Taliaferro County 2:33am Sat Oct 20th
> Greene County 4:52am
> Morgan County 9:08am
> Newton County 1:40pm
> Rockdale County 4:56pm
> Dekalb County 7:28pm
> Fulton County 10:26pm
> Cobb County 1:02am Sun Oct 21st
> Douglas County 4:24am
> Carroll County 7:34am
> Haralson County 10:47am
> Enter Alabama 1pm CDT
>
>The exact route is given on the www.flagrun.org web
>page. I have a few volunteers around the Atlanta area.
>As you see, it will be in some areas during nightime
>and sleeptime hours for most of us. Please respond
>quickly as I need to let them know by mid day tomorrow
>if we can assist them and in what counties.
>
>So here's what I need. Pick a county. Go view the
>website and pick one of the stopping points shown on
>the travel route. We'll need someone to ride in the
>Command Van (CV) for as long as they can, meaning you
>might want to go through more than one county riding
>in the CV. Of course you'll need someone to take you
>back to your car or home after you're relieved. The
>rest of the operation as I understand it now is,
>they'll need an operator at each of the points
>mentioned in the route to communicate from that

>location back to the CV. After the runner passes
>through your checkpoint, you'll be free to go or
>continue on to another location if you choose. Please
>be patient and congenial with the Flagrun people as
>they probably won't know exactly what we should be
>doing. We each need to use our expertise of dealing
>with the public as emergency communicators to evaluate
>what's needed and make it happen at each location. The
>main purpose though is to be able to let the officials
>in the CV talk to checkpoints ahead of the runner. The
>CV will always be near the runner and will want info
>from checkpoints ahead.
>
>Now I realize this is quick and not as organized as
>one would like. So, again, please let me know ASAP who
>can help. If we can't do it, then I need to let them
>know ASAP so they won't be expecting us to help. There
>will be a lot of publicity I'm told surrounding this
>event so you may get on TV at some point. Don't know
>that will happen everywhere but dress appropriately.
>
>I'm sure you'll need a mobile rig with a portable
>antenna or a mobile rig in a vehicle. You will have to
>cover several miles between checkpoints and there may
>not be a repeater available in the area. Be a nice
>time to have an ARES communications van with a
>portable repeater, huh? Anyway, don't let just having
>a handheld keep you from participating as we'll need
>as many as we can get. You can be used somewhere no
>matter what equipment you have.
>
>OK gang, here it is. What can we do? Please start
>e-mailing or calling fellow Hams and see how many you
>can get involved and get the info to me at
>km4z@... or home phone 770-972-7248 or work
>770-576-9212. Thanks.
>
> Lowry Rouse KM4Z
> GA SEC
>
>_____
>Do You Yahoo!?
>Make a great connection at Yahoo! Personals.
>http://personals.yahoo.com
>
>------------------------------------------------------------------------
>To unsubscribe from this list, send a message to majordomo@...
>and include "unsubscribe gaares" in the body of the message.
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# 27. Fwd: ARECC II to Open

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2001-10-26 18:08:36 UTC
From: David Ziskind, KE4QLH
Topic: 27  Message: 27

FYI...

I am mentoring one of the Level II courses. I highly recommend it if you
have completed Level I!

73,
David

>Registration opens for ARRL's On-line Level II
>Emergency Communications Course (EC-002)
>
>Registration for the ARRL Level II - Intermediate Amateur Radio Emergency
>Communications Course (EC-002) opens Monday, Oct. 29 at 4 PM Eastern Time.
>Actual on-line classes will begin the following week.
>
>For those with previous experience and anyone who took the Level I course
>(EC-001) this will enhance your skill and knowledge by providing a more
>in-depth look at emergency communications. Among the many topics covered
>are: Working With Volunteers, Human Resource Aspects for NCS, Net Manager
>Duties and Qualifications, Mutual Assistance and the ARESMAT Concept, FCC
>Emergency Frequency Declarations, Handling Hazardous Material Incidents, and
>National Disaster Medical System Emergency Communications.
>
>Go to the ARRL CCE Registration Page <https://www.arrl.org/forms/cce> after
>4 PM Monday to enroll. ARRL Course Welcome letters will be sent later in the
>week after Mentors have been assigned to each student. The following week
>access codes will be sent so all students can begin.
>
>For more information about this or any Certification and Continuing
>Education Program, go to the CCE Home Page <http://www.arrl.org/cce> and CCE
>Links found there. If you have any further questions or concerns, send them
>to cce@....

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## 28. Fwd: INFO: New Terrorist Attack Anticipated

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2001-10-30 17:52:31 UTC
From: David Ziskind, KE4QLH
Topic: 28  Message: 28

I'm sure you all probably saw this on the news yesterday...just something
to be aware of.

73,
David

>-Attorney General John Ashcroft announced this evening that
>information about plans for a new terrorist attack have been obtained.
>-Law enforcement officials are put on high alert.
>-The type and timing is uncertain.
>
>For e-mail sign up...
>http://www.emergencye.com/

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# 29. Fwd: [gaares] 2002 US ARDF Champs come to Georgia

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2001-11-01 00:56:55 UTC
From: David Ziskind, KE4QLH
Topic: 29  Message: 29

Please help Sam if you can!

-David

>Check the ARRl web site at http://www.arrl.org for the announcement.
>Make your plans now to attend. Here's your chance to be a US Champ! I am
>also in need of volunteers :-).
>--
>Sam Smith N4MAP
>South Fulton EC
>sam.smith@...
>http://www.mindspring.com/~sam.smith
>
>-----------------------------------------------------------------------
>To unsubscribe from this list, send a message to majordomo@...
>and include "unsubscribe gaares" in the body of the message.
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# 30. Fwd: ARECC Level III to Premier

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2001-11-01 17:12:49 UTC
From: David Ziskind, KE4QLH
Topic: 30  Message: 30

FYI

-David

>PUZZLE COMPLETE:
>Level III - Advanced Amateur Radio Emergency Communications Course Begins
>
>The third and final stage of the original 3-level ARRL course in Amateur
>Radio emergency communications is now ready for use. At 4 PM Eastern Time on
>Monday, November 5, 2001, registration for the very first Level III on-line
>classes will open. Go to the CCE Registration Page
><https://www.arrl.org/forms/cce> to enroll.
>
>Among the many topics and lessons in this course are: ARES Management
>Positions; Building a Local ARES Group; The Changing ARES/RACES
>Relationship; Quick Response Teams; Designing The Local Emergency Response
>Plan; Network Theory and the Design of Emergency Communication Systems; What
>to Expect in Large-Scale Disasters; Marine Communication; FCC Rules on
>Emergency Communications; and Mobile Communication Vehicles.
>
>Level I -- Introduction to Amateur Radio Emergency Communications is a
>required course for anyone taking Level II --Intermediate Emergency
>Communications Course. Both Level I and Level II are required for students
>enrolling in Level III. The Level III - Advanced Amateur Radio Emergency
>Communications course is designed to prepare volunteers for activity in
>upper level positions.
>
>ARRL Amateur Radio Emergency Communications Courses have been developed by
>experts using material from all over our great country. The general
>knowledge is intended to provide students with a variety of tools for their
>use. Students learn, for example, about specific methods that can be applied
>to a wide variety of emergency situations. Combining the knowledge learned
>from these courses with local training and protocol already in use will
>raise student awareness of emergency communications regardless of geographic
>location.
>
>Like AREC Levels I and II, registration fees for this course remain at $70
>for non-ARRL members and $40 for members.
>
>For more information about the Certification and Continuing Education
>Program, visit the CCE Home Page <http://www.arrl.org/cce> and the CCE Links
>found there. Questions and concerns may be directed to cce@....

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## 31. Fwd: ARECC, Level I, to Open

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2001-11-09 20:41:52 UTC
From: David Ziskind, KE4QLH
Topic: 31  Message: 31

If you haven't taken EC-001 yet here's your opportunity!

-David

>Sign up for November Emergency Communications Level I on-line course!
>November registration for the Level I--Introduction to Amateur Radio
>Emergency Communications on-line course (EC-001) will open Monday, November
>12, at 4 PM Eastern Time. Two classes of 50 students will be processed
>during the week, and the on-line classes will begin the week of November 22.
>After 4 PM Monday--and until all seats are filled--the registration form can
>be found on the ARRL Course Registration page
><https://www.arrl.org/forms/cce/>. Answers to most questions are on the ARRL
>Certification and Continuing Education Home page <http://www.arrl.org/cce>
>and the C-CE links found there. To learn more, contact ARRL Certification
>and Continuing Education Coordinator Dan Miller, K3UFG, cce@....
>Registration for Level II--Intermediate Amateur Radio Emergency
>Communications (EC-002) will open again on Monday, November 26. Registration
>for Level III - Advanced Amateur Radio Emergency Communications (EC-003)
>opens Monday, December 3.

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# 32. Fwd: hams for marathon

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2001-11-15 02:59:48 UTC
From: David Ziskind, KE4QLH
Topic: 32  Message: 32

If you can help Amy with the Atlanta (Half) Marathon held on Thanksgiving morning, please contact Amy ASAP!

73,
David
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>I am still short about 6 volunteers, below is an email if it would be
>possible for you to send out to the clubs that you mentioned. I would
>really appreciate if it is not too much trouble.
>
>
>Subject: Ham volunteers needed for the Atlanta Marathon on Thanksgiving
>Day
>
>We still need ham volunteers for the 40th Atlanta Marathon & Half on
>Thanksgiving Day next Thursday (11/22). The Marathon & Half starts at
>7:00am and 7:30am and the ham volunteers get to finish up no later than
>12 or 1 o'clock. So you still have the rest of the day for Thanksgiving
>gathers.
>
>Please let me know if you can volunteer via email or calling me.
>
>Thanks in advance,
>
>Amy S. Woodrick (KE4IKF)
>2001 Atlanta Marathon and Half Committee
>(770) 381-8299
>awoodrick@...
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# 33. Fwd: [arrlmentors] SPECIAL BULLETIN: Registration Schedules from Dan Miller

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2001-11-20 23:41:43 UTC
From: David Ziskind, KE4QLH
Topic: 33  Message: 33

FYI if you are interested in taking EmComm courses...

-David

>Registration schedules will change in December due to the holidays,
>and again in January for a more permanent setup.
>
>Nov. 26 Level II
>Dec. 3 Level III
>Dec. 10 Level I
>Dec. 17 Level II
>
>No registration will open during Christmas week or New Year's week.
>
>Beginning January, 2002,
>Level I First Monday
>Level II Second Monday
>Level III Third Monday

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# 34. Fwd: Childrens Christmas Parade

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2001-11-21 06:04:05 UTC
From: David Ziskind, KE4QLH
Topic: 34  Message: 34

Please contact Tim if you can help!

73,
David

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>The Childrens Healthcare of Atlanta Christmas Parade is here again. Once
>again we have been contacted and asked to help with communications on Sat
>Dec 1st. Thanks for all the help in the past if you helped. We are
>needing close to 30 operators for that morning to help get the Parade
>going and keep it moving. If you can help please contact me by responding
>to this address (KC4ELV@...) The kick off meeting will be at 6:30
>like last year, to pick up tee shirts and assignments. Usually we are
>done around noon. PLEASE PASS THE WORD TO YOUR CLUBS AND GROUPS. WE
>NEED HELP .
>I can be reached at 770-922-8126 or 770-918-0249 W.
>Thanks,
>Tim Rosing KC4ELV
>
>PLEASE DONT RESPOND IF YOU CAN NOT HELP!
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## 35. Fwd: Advanced Skywarn Training

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2001-11-29 03:58:03 UTC
From: David Ziskind, KE4QLH
Topic: 35  Message: 35

Heads up on an advanced Skywarn training opportunity. Please let me know
if you plan to attend so I can give Gwinnett a heads-up.

73,
David

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>The real date is January 17, 2002 7PM at the Gwinnett Justice
>Center. This is a Thursday night weekday. I will be there.
>
>Please forward to all with correct day and time......You do have to have
>Basic Skywarn training to attend.
>
>
>73 Steve W4CNG
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## 36. Fwd: ARECC in December

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2001-12-07 19:01:31 UTC
From: David Ziskind, KE4QLH
Topic: 36  Message: 36

FYI - Registration info for EmComm courses.

73,
David

>Amateur Radio Emergency Communications Course December registration: Due to
>the holiday season, on-line registration will be handled a bit differently
>during December. Seats remain available for the Amateur Radio Emergency
>Communications on-line Level III class that opened December 3. Registration
>for the Level I class opens Monday, December 10, and registration for the
>Level II class opens the following Monday, December 17. To register, visit
>the ARRL Course Registration Page <https://www.arrl.org/forms/cce/> after 4
>PM Eastern Time on the opening day of registration for the course you wish
>to enroll in. Registration will remain open until all seats are filled.
>Starting in January 2002, registration for Level I will open on the first
>Monday; registration for Level II will open on the second Monday; and
>registration for Level III will open on the third Monday. Courses must be
>completed in order, starting with Level I. To learn more, Visit the ARRL
>Certification and Continuing Education Web page <http://www.arrl.org/cce>
>and the C-CE Links found there. For more information, contact Certification
>and Continuing Education Coordinator Dan Miller, K3UFG, cce@....

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# 37. Holiday schedule

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2001-12-10 17:41:53 UTC
From: David Ziskind, KE4QLH
Topic: 37  Message: 37

In an effort to address the needs of our served agencies, I would like to know everyone's holiday travel schedules, beginning Dec 17 thru Jan 7. Please send me an email, letting me know when you will be in town and when you will be out of town or otherwise unavailable during this period.

I will be out of town Dec15 - 18, and again Dec 25 - Jan 6. During this period, Metro Atlanta DEC Steve Reynolds W4CNG will be in charge of the group. Any activation decisions will be passed along by him during this period. I hope to meet with our EMA's to discuss a temporary emergency response plan for the holiday season and also to build up a more permanent year-round plan.

Best wishes for a happy and SAFE holiday season.

73,
David

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## 38. Fwd: RE: Jan 17 Skywarn

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2001-12-12 04:18:24 UTC
From: David Ziskind, KE4QLH
Topic: 38  Message: 38

The Jan 17 class that I said was an Advanced class is actually a Basic class...so if you've never had a Skywarn class before, this is the perfect class for you! Email me so I can reserve your spot!

73,
David

>X-Apparently-To: dziskind@... via web10504; 11 Dec 2001 07:02:14
>-0800 (PST)
>X-RocketRCL: 1622;1;3274145733
>X-Track: 1: 40
>X-Sender:
>X-Mailer: QUALCOMM Windows Eudora Version 5.1
>Date: Tue, 11 Dec 2001 08:57:32 -0500
>To: ke4qlh@...
>From: "David Ziskind, KE4QLH" <ke4qlh@...>
>Subject: Fwd: RE: Jan 17 Skywarn
>
>Now it looks like this is going to just be the basic class...I assume that
>you have already had this basic class...but if you still want to attend,
>as a refresher or whatnot, please let me know.
>
>Thanks and 73,
>David
>
>
>
>>X-Apparently-To: dziskind@... via web10503; 10 Dec 2001 15:04:14
>>-0800 (PST)
>>X-Track: 1: 40
>>From: "Ike Chapman" <k4wec@...>
>>To: "David Ziskind, KE4QLH" <ke4qlh@...>
>>Subject: RE: Jan 17 Skywarn
>>Date: Mon, 10 Dec 2001 18:07:51 -0500
>>X-Mailer: Microsoft Outlook IMO, Build 9.0.2416 (9.0.2910.0)
>>Importance: Normal
>>
>>David,
>>This will be a basic class from what I understand, let me know if these
>>folks still want to attend.
>>
>>Ike
>>
>>
>>-----Original Message-----

>>From: David Ziskind, KE4QLH [mailto:ke4qlh@...]
>>Sent: Friday, December 07, 2001 10:56 PM
>>To: k4wec@...
>>Subject: Jan 17 Skywarn
>>
>>Hi Ike -
>>
>>I have several members who wish to attend the Jan 17 Advanced Skywarn
>>course.
>>
>>1. Becky Roberts, KF4SLZ (beckyrob@...)
>>2. Chuck McGinnis, ND4D (CMcgin2129@...)
>>3. Lee Juckett, AF4IA (af4ia@...)
>>
>>I would also like to attend.
>>
>>Thanks and 73,
>>David
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# 39. Fwd: December Registrations

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2001-12-14 18:26:32 UTC
From: David Ziskind, KE4QLH
Topic: 39  Message: 39

A few seats left if you are interested in this course.

73,
David

>Amateur Radio Emergency Communications Course December registration: A few
>ARECC Level I Seats remain available for the Amateur Radio Emergency
>Communications on-line class that opened December 10. Registration for the
>Level II class opens Monday, December 17. To register, visit the ARRL Course
>Registration Page <https://www.arrl.org/forms/cce/> after 4 PM Eastern Time
>on the opening day of registration for the course you wish to enroll in.
>Registration will remain open until all seats are filled. Please note:
>Beginning in January 2002, registration for Level I will open on the first
>Monday; registration for Level II will open on the second Monday; and
>registration for Level III will open on the third Monday. Courses must be
>completed in order, starting with Level I. To learn more, visit the ARRL
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# 40. No Net Dec 30

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2001-12-24 19:45:00 UTC
From: David Ziskind, KE4QLH
Topic: 40  Message: 40

North Fulton ARES members -

There will be no net on December 30, I decided to cancel it due to its proximity to New Year's. As a reminder, I will be out of town Dec 26 - Jan 6. During this time, Metro Atlanta DEC Steve Reynolds W4CNG will be in charge. For those of you in town, please wear / carry your pagers, in case our services are needed.

Best wishes for a safe and happy holiday season.

73,
David

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# 41. Fwd: NWS Training

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2002-01-08 01:41:43 UTC
From: David Ziskind, KE4QLH
Topic: 41  Message: 41

Interested in getting involved with the NWS station? Contact Ed at
edferg@....

-David

>Hello!
>
>There will be a meeting at the National Weather Service in Peachtree
>City on Wednesday, January 16 at 7pm. This meeting is for those who
>currently help run the radio station at the NWS, as well as for anyone
>interested in getting involved with our operations.
>
>We hope to have a good attendance to our meeting! It will be a great
>review for some and good training for those wanting to help out.
>
>Hope to see you there!
>
>Ed, N4YTR
>ARES District Emergency Coordinator, National Weather Service
>Emergency Coordinator, Fayette County ARES

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# 42. Fwd: Skywarn training

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2002-01-08 01:48:09 UTC
From: David Ziskind, KE4QLH
Topic: 42  Message: 42

Hi -

Here is the info on the basic skywarn class. Please contact Ike directly
if you want to attend. Please also give me a heads up if you do attend,
I'd like to keep tabs on who is Skywarn certified and on what level.

Thanks and 73,
David

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>There will be a Basic Skywarn Training class taught on January 17th, 2002 at
>the Gwinnett County Justice and Administration Center. The class will start
>at 7:00 PM and should last ~2.5 hours. This is a free class and will be
>taught by a member of the National Weather Center staff from the Peachtree
>Center office.
>
>I realize that this is the same night as the GARS meeting for January.
>Unfortunately, the NWS made a change last year in the way these classes are
>scheduled. The classes are now scheduled by the local county EMA offices,
>this one was scheduled by the Gwinnett County EMA and we were invited to
>participate in the class with them.
>
>If you haven't signed up for this class yet, you can do so by sending me an
>email to k4wec@... or calling me at 770-339-8123.
>
>Thank you and hope to see you there,
>Ike Chapman, K4WEC
>EC - Gwinnett County
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## 43. Fwd: January Registration

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2002-01-08 03:40:53 UTC
From: David Ziskind, KE4QLH
Topic: 43  Message: 43

ARRL EmComm courses available, if you're interested.

73,
David

>Amateur Radio Emergency Communications Course January registration:
>Registration for the Level I Amateur Radio Emergency Communications Course
>(EC-001) will open Monday, January 7, 2002, at 4 PM Eastern Time.
>Registration for Level II will open on Monday, January 14; registration for
>Level III will open January 21. Courses must be completed in order, starting
>with Level I. To learn more, visit the ARRL Certification and Continuing
>Education Web page <http://www.arrl.org/cce> and the C-CE Links found there.
>For more information, contact Certification and Continuing Education
>Coordinator Dan Miller, K3UFG, cce@....

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# 44. North Fulton ARES Web Page

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2001-12-31 19:15:41 UTC
From: Bob Beeman
Topic: 44  Message: 44

See fultonares.org for the latest news and events for North Fulton ARES members.

## 45. January for ARES Members

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2002-01-11 20:49:00 UTC
From: Bob Beeman
Topic: 45  Message: 45

January is a busy month for ARES members. Please check the North Fulton
ARES web site for a list of the activities, meetings, and training sessions.

Just set your browser for www.fultonares.org for the latest and greatest.

See Ya'll in Forsyth.

Bob
K4BB

# 46. Fwd: ARECC Registration

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2002-01-13 04:56:57 UTC
From: David Ziskind, KE4QLH
Topic: 46  Message: 46

More opportunities to become involved in the EmComm course.

73,
David

> Amateur Radio Emergency Communications Course January registration:
>Registration for the Level II Amateur Radio Emergency Communications Course
>(EC-002) will open on Monday, January 14; registration for Level III
>(EC-003) will open January 21. January registration for the Level I ARRL
>Amateur Radio Emergency Communications Course (EC-001) is closed. February
>registration for Level I will open Monday, February 4. Courses must be
>completed in order, starting with Level I. To learn more, visit the ARRL
>Certification and Continuing Education Web page <http://www.arrl.org/cce>
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# 47. change of net time?

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2002-01-13 05:42:06 UTC
From: David Ziskind, KE4QLH
Topic: 47  Message: 47

Hi North Fulton ARES -

I have heard some interest in moving our net time. The day would be still be Sunday, but the time would be moved one hour earlier, to 7:30pm. I think this would minimize conflicts with other nets, and possibly encourage more participation.

Please let me know what you think...if you agree with this move, want to keep it the same, or have another suggestion.

Thanks and 73,
David

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# 48. Fwd: ARECC Registrations

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2002-01-18 04:17:48 UTC
From: David Ziskind, KE4QLH
Topic: 48  Message: 48

>Amateur Radio Emergency Communications Course January registration:
>Registration for the Level III Amateur Radio Emergency Communications Course
>(EC-003) will open on Monday, January 21. January registration for the Level
>II ARRL Amateur Radio Emergency Communications Course (EC-002) will remain
>open over the weekend (or until the 50 seats are filled). February
>registration for Level I will open Monday, February 4. Courses must be
>completed in order, starting with Level I. To learn more, visit the ARRL
>Certification and Continuing Education Web page <http://www.arrl.org/cce>
>and the C-CE Links found there. For more information, contact Certification
>and Continuing Education Coordinator Dan Miller, K3UFG, cce@....

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# 49. Fwd: Thanks

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2002-01-18 04:24:25 UTC
From: David Ziskind, KE4QLH
Topic: 49  Message: 49

Hi ARES members -

Thanks for your commitment to ARES. I appreciate your support even though we have not been very active. Look forward to seeing you at the North Fulton Amateur Radio League meeting on Feb 7, plan on a brief ARES update right after NFARL business. Also hope you all at the statewide ARES meeting on Feb 9.

73,
David
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>I just wanted to take a moment to thank you and your group for your support.
>I know we have not had a need to activate and put you to use but I know you
>are there and that I can call upon your assistance. Just wanted to say
>thanks.
>
>Jim Cheatham
>Captain
>Technical Services Division
>Alpharetta Fire and Emergency Services
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# 50. Fwd: ARECC Registrations

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2002-02-01 20:43:06 UTC
From: David Ziskind, KE4QLH
Topic: 50  Message: 50

FYI.

73,
David

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>Amateur Radio Emergency Communications Course February registration:
>Registration for the Level I Amateur Radio Emergency Communications Course
>(EC-001) will open Monday, February 4, 2002, at 4 PM Eastern Time.
>Registration for Level II will open on Monday, February 11; registration for
>Level III will open February 18. Courses must be completed in order,
>starting with Level I. To learn more, visit the ARRL Certification and
>Continuing Education Web page <http://www.arrl.org/cce> and the C-CE Links
>found there. For more information, contact Certification and Continuing
>Education Coordinator Dan Miller, K3UFG, cce@....
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# 51. Nets and Skywarn

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2002-02-01 20:47:04 UTC
From: David Ziskind, KE4QLH
Topic: 51  Message: 51

>There will be a brief net this Sunday, Feb 3 at 8:30pm to gauge interest and
>finalize plans for the Statewide ARES meeting next Saturday, Feb 9. If you
>can't make the net, please give me a heads up if you plan to attend, and
>also let me know if you're interested in carpooling...hopefully I can
>facilitate your request.
>
>Effective Sunday, Feb 10, we are going to move the net, on a trial basis, to
>7:30pm for the remainder of the month. At the end of the month, we'll
>re-evaluate the checkin count. If you are scheduled to run the net this
>month but cannot due to this time change, please email both Bob
>(k4bb@...) and me.
>
>
>***SKYWARN TRAINING IN ATLANTA / FULTON***
>
>Good news! We finally have a Skywarn class in Atlanta! The class is
>scheduled for Wednesday, February 20 at 6:00pm in the Emergency Operations
>Center (EOC) of the Atlanta Fulton County Emergency Management Agency
>(AFCEMA). This class is FREE...however I do believe it is a basic /
>beginner course. Unfortunately, parking will probably be limited, so I'd
>encourage you to carpool or take MARTA, or plan on paying to park in a
>private lot. If you can make this course, I'd encourage you to attend. Not
>only will you get Skywarn training, but we will be able to show city
>officials that we are a sizable, serious group. Depending on interest, I
>can arrange a short tour of the EOC either immediately before or immediately
>after the class. Please let me know if you are interested (course or tour).
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>73,
>David

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# 52. Fwd: ARECC Registration

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2002-02-08 23:28:48 UTC
From: David Ziskind, KE4QLH
Topic: 46  Message: 52

FYI if you are interested in Level 2.

Hope to see many of you tomorrow morning in Forsyth.

73,
David

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> Amateur Radio Emergency Communications Course February registration:
>Registration for the Level II Amateur Radio Emergency Communications Course
>(EC-002) will open on Monday, February 11; registration for Level III
>(EC-003) will open February 18. February registration for the Level I ARRL
>Amateur Radio Emergency Communications Course (EC-001) will remain open
>through this weekend. Courses must be completed in order, starting with
>Level I. To learn more, visit the ARRL Certification and Continuing
>Education Web page <http://www.arrl.org/cce> and the C-CE Links found there.
>For more information, contact Certification and Continuing Education
>Coordinator Dan Miller, K3UFG, cce@....
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# 53. CPR Saturday - March 2, 2002

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2002-02-15 03:41:09 UTC
From: David Ziskind, KE4QLH
Topic: 53  Message: 53

CPR Saturday is March 2. Last year, NFARL and North Fulton ARES members provided communications among the three sites in Fulton Co. Two of the sites this year are the same, Kaiser Glenlake and WSB-TV, and the southside site has moved only about 1/2 mile from last year's location to Cascade United Methodist Church.

I would expect that we want to be setup and ready to go by 9am, since the first class starts at 9:30...maybe even a little earlier...The last class starts at 2...so you should be able to leave by 4, if not earlier. The drill will be same as last year - pass traffic as necessary among the 3 locations. Possibly liaison with Gwinnett or Cobb with their Red Cross locations...

This is a great opportunity to get FREE CPR training, as well as perform a great public service....maybe even get more inquiries about ham radio!

Please respond, telling me which location you can help at and what times...all that is needed is a 2 meter rig, but anything else you want to show off (APRS, packet, etc) you are welcome to bring. You will be setup in a very visible location... If you plan to take the class at some point, please sign up at http://www.redcrossatlanta.org ...

Thanks and 73,
David

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# 54. Fwd: [Georgia-Skywarn] Tornado Drill Postponed

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2002-02-20 02:55:06 UTC
From: David Ziskind, KE4QLH
Topic: 54  Message: 54

FYI

-David

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>All -
>
>Due to the threat of scattered thunderstorms across western GA tomorrow
>morning, the tornado drill will be postponed until Friday morning.
>Birmingham and Tennessee offices are postponing theirs as well. If the
>forecast verifies, we would be issuing a mock tornado watch about the
>time a real watch would normally be issued (i.e., with the line of
>thunderstorms approaching the state). That pretty well sealed it for
>me, even though the line is expected to be weak and weakening as it
>crosses the state line. We have issued a PNS about the postponement and
>would ask the surrounding offices to do the same for their GA counties.
>
>On Friday, we will plan on issuing a mock watch at 10:00 a.m. (with
>SPC's assistance, I presume), a warning at 10:15 a.m., and an
>"all-clear" at 10:30 a.m. The time change is the result of feedback we
>have received from our LP1 EAS point. Let me know if this poses a
>problem for any of you.
>
>Columbia and Charleston WFOs have expressed interest in going ahead with
>issuing the drill on Wednesday for their respective counties, as their
>EMA locals have asked them to do so. That's their call.
>
>Lans.
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# 55. Net Time and CPR Saturday

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2002-02-25 04:55:50 UTC
From: David Ziskind, KE4QLH
Topic: 55  Message: 55

Hi all -

Sorry I missed checking in to the net this evening...I did want to share a few quick things.

First, thanks for the checkins on Friday to the Tornado Drill. I heard that we were well-represented! Thank you!

Based on the response I've gotten, we are going to continue with the net at 7:30pm on Sundays...Bob, please post on the webpage.

We still need some help for CPR Saturday (this Saturday...March 2)...especially the Southside site...please, if you can help, let me know. We could still use morning coverage at the Glenlake site...and also an additional person at WSB downtown.

Thanks to Bob K4BB and Steve KC4YBO for coming out to the Skywarn training session...there were also two other hams who attended..plus me made a ham representation of 5 people...there weren't more than 15 people at the course...which means we had a wonderful representation! Thanks again to Bob and Steve for attending.

March - May is severe weather month in Georgia. We'll be looking about planning a more formal response to severe weather...including Skywarn nets for severe weather warnings or whenever the NWS requests our help.

We will be putting together some sort of tabletop drill / communications exercise in the coming weeks...stay tuned for an announcement.

Have a great week!

Thanks and 73,
David

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# 56. Fwd: Table Top Drill

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2002-04-11 03:23:54 UTC
From: David Ziskind, KE4QLH
Topic: 56  Message: 56

>You are invited to attend the North Fulton ARES Table Top Drill Saturday
>April 13, 2002 at Waller Park in Roswell Ga. Talk-in on 145.47Mhz. Bring
>your ready bags and plenty of ARRL Message pads. The drill will start
>about 10AM and last until Noon with a debriefing.

Please plan on attending this Saturday at Waller Park EXTENSION. We will
be meeting at the pavilion adjacent to the parking lot. More info on
fultonares.org. Please let me know if you plan to attend.

Thanks to Metro Atlanta DEC Steve, W4CNG for his assistance with
preparation and organization.

73,
David

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# 57. Fwd: [Gaares] GA ARES on STAND-BY ALERT

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2002-05-01 22:40:10 UTC
From: David Ziskind
Topic: 57  Message: 57

FYI.

73,
David

--- "Michael C. Boatright" <ko4wx@...> wrote:
> From Michael C. Boatright Wed May 1 15:07:47 2002
> Date: Wed, 01 May 2002 18:07:47 -0400
> To: gaares@..., georgia-skywarn@...,
> gaares@...
> From: "Michael C. Boatright" <ko4wx@...>
> Subject: [Gaares] GA ARES on STAND-BY ALERT
> Reply-to: gaares@...
>
> Due the possibility of severe weather in the next 24 to 48 hours, I
> am
> placing the Georgia Section ARES on STAND-BY ALERT, effect 2200Z,
> 1800
> local time, today. I received an e-mail from GEMA this afternoon
> indicating that per the NWS, conditions Thursday afternoon into
> Friday
> morning could be shaping up to product the most organized storms of
> this
> season.
>
> Do not raise undue concern, but do ensure that your areas of
> responsibility
> are ready to respond on very short notice.
>
> I just checked the area forecast discussion and models seem to
> consistently
> predict that the frontal boundary will be near Atlanta at
> approximately 8pm
> local time, tomorrow night. You can adjust +/- from this time for
> your
> geographic area of the state.
>
> We have used STANDBY ALERT status in the past to raise awareness of
> the
> possibility that emergency communications may be
> required--particularly
> statewide communications--and to remind ARES members to ensure
> readiness of
> their stations and ready-kits.
>

> TO ALL DEC's, EC's and AEC's, OES's and ARES members: be sure to top
> off
> your gasoline tanks tonight or tomorrow morning, ensure your
> batteries are
> fresh or charged, carry a radio with you tomorrow, and be sure your
> contact
> list is updated and that you have copy with you (the current DEC/EC
> list is
> available at http://www.qsl.net/gaares/gacounties.html).
>
> If you have any questions, or additional information you need to pass
> along
> to me, please feel free to contact me in any of the following
> methods:
>
> Home phone: 404-325-3139
> Cell Phone: 404-944-2796
> Pager: send email to: sec@...
> E-mail: ko4wx@...
>
> One final request: If you or any of your EC's, AEC's, ARES members,
> etc. in
> your jurisdiction are participating in the SKYWARN net on the linked
> repeater network, please remember that it does not facilitate net
> operations to check in with net control "just to let you know I'm
> here and
> ready to operate." ONLY call net control if you have traffic (damage
> or
> spotter report) for NWSPTC. Occasionally, the NCS may specifically
> request
> operators from specific areas (such as "southern Coweta County") to
> give
> them the current weather in that area. If that is where you are, or
> where
> you can, through your available resources obtain direct reports of
> current
> weather, please do respond!
>
> As always, let's all hope that this merely becomes a preparedness
> exercise
> and that our emergency communications resources are not needed
> tomorrow or
> Friday.
>
> 73 de Mike Boatright, KO4WX
> Georgia Section Emergency Coordinator
>
>
> Michael C. Boatright
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> Gaares mailing list
> Gaares@...
> http://zephyr.dbscom.com/mailman/listinfo/gaares

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Do You Yahoo!?
Yahoo! Health - your guide to health and wellness
http://health.yahoo.com

# 58. Fwd: [Georgia-Skywarn] Hurricane Hunter plane tour

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2002-05-03 02:47:37 UTC
From: David Ziskind, KE4QLH
Topic: 58  Message: 58

FYI

-David

>Hi all --
>
>For those who haven't heard, The National Weather Service's "Hurricane
>Preparedness & Hurricane Hunter/P-3 Aircraft Tour" will visit Hartsfield
>International Airport on Friday, May 10, 2002. The plane will be at the
>Mercury Air Center on the north side of the airport.
>
>This event provides a once in a lifetime opportunity to tour the
>aircraft that flies research and reconnaissance missions into the eye of
>a hurricane, and meet the crew that performs this crucial service. This
>is the first time the tour has come to Atlanta; the National Weather
>Service wishes to emphasize that much of the damage associated with
>tropical systems can occur hundreds of miles from the coast, as a result
>of inland flooding.
>
>The hurricane briefing and aircraft tour will last about an hour, and
>there will be informational exhibits to visit after the tour is over.
>Members of the media and VIP guests of the National Weather Service are
>invited to tour the plane during the hours of 1:00-3:00 pm. The NWS is
>extending an invitation to active members of its SKYWARN program as
>thanks for your hard work and dedication.
>
>Due to limitations of time and space, we need to know in advance how
>many are in your party so we can plan tour times appropriately. Please
>feel free to bring your family. When you RSVP I will send you an e-mail
>with directions to Mercury Air.
>
>Also, we are trying to put together an informational booth on ham radio
>and the SKYWARN program, and would greatly appreciate volunteers to help
>with that. We will have 300 4th and 5th graders touring between 9:30am
>and 1pm, so this is a great opportunity for youth outreach. If you are
>free that day and could work at the booth, please let me know ASAP.
>
>Thanks & 73s,
>
>Chris McGehee KL0UD
>
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>Georgia-Skywarn mailing list
>Georgia-Skywarn@...
>http://mailman.qth.net/mailman/listinfo/georgia-skywarn

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# 59. Fwd: CCE May Registration

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2002-05-11 14:30:05 UTC
From: David Ziskind, KE4QLH
Topic: 59  Message: 59

FYI if you still need Level I.

Also notice the Antenna Modeling and HF Digital Comms course - both are
very popular, filling up fast!!

73,
David

> Certification and Continuing Education course May registration:
>Registration for the Level I ARRL Amateur Radio Emergency Communications
>Course (EC-001) will remain open through the May 11-12 weekend. Registration
>for the Level II Amateur Radio Emergency Communications Course (EC-002) and
>for the Antenna Modeling Course opens Monday, May 13; registration for Level
>III (EC-003) opens Monday, May 20. Also, registration for HF Digital
>Communications (EC-005) opens Monday, May 20. All registrations open at 4 PM
>Eastern Time. ARRL Emergency Communications courses must be completed in
>order, starting with Level I. To learn more, visit the ARRL Certification
>and Continuing Education Web page <http://www.arrl.org/cce> and the C-CE
>Links found there. For more information, contact Certification and
>Continuing Education Program Coordinator Dan Miller, K3UFG, cce@....

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# 60. Fwd: Special Olympics Summer Games, May 31 - June 2

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2002-05-13 03:56:27 UTC
From: David Ziskind, KE4QLH
Topic: 60  Message: 60

Please see the following email and help Todd if you are available. I know it's the weekend of the Atlanta Radio Club hamfest...but we still need this event covered!!

Todd's contact info follows.

73,
David

>Hello everyone
>The staff of Special Olympics Georgia has once again asked the ham radio >community to come out and support their cause. This time it is for the >annual Summer Games, which will be held on campus at Emory >University. The mission of the Special Olympics is to provide year-round >sports training and athletic competition for all children and adults with >mental handicaps. Our mission is to help them see these events through, >providing communications between the staff and all of the venues. At the >same time, hams are a major part of the support that the athletes receive >when they come to enjoy the games.
>
>The dates are May the 31st through June the 2nd. We need around 6 hams on >Friday (and hopefully a few more in the evening for the dance), 10 hams on >Saturday and 8 hams on Sunday. We love when people can pull a whole >shift, but if you would like to volunteer for a certain part of a day >we're glad to work with you on that. Some of the events include tennis, >swimming, track and field events and soccer.
>
>Meal passes are included for those who volunteer with us. You will get to >work with people who are true professionals in what they do, and who >really appreciate what we do. It's a great event and a very good >cause. If you'd like to volunteer or have any questions, please contact >me and I'll be glad to talk with you.
>73
>
>Todd Bowden, AF4CZ
>Comm. Director, Special Olympics Georgia
>(home) 770-532-6633
>(page) 678-991-4256
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><mailto:af4cz@...>af4cz@...
>www.specialolympicsga.org
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# 61. Fwd: CCE June Registration

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2002-05-31 19:44:10 UTC
From: David Ziskind, KE4QLH
Topic: 61  Message: 61

>ARRL Certification and Continuing Education Program registration:
>Registration opens Monday, June 3, for the Level I Amateur Radio Emergency
>Communications course (EC-001), Monday, June 10, for the Level II course
>(EC-002), and Monday, June 17 for the Level III course (EC-003). Courses
>must be completed in order, starting with Level I. Registration for the
>Antenna Modeling course (EC-004) opens Monday, June 10, and for the HF
>Digital Course on Monday, June 17. On all dates, registration will begin at
>4 PM Eastern Time. Beginning July 1, registration fees for all on-line
>courses will increase by $5. To learn more, visit the ARRL Certification and
>Continuing Education Web page <http://www.arrl.org/cce> and the C-CE Links
>found there. For more information, contact Certification and Continuing
>Education Coordinator Dan Miller, K3UFG, cce@....

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## 62. float charge a battery backup

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2002-06-03 03:41:55 UTC
From: chipbandit99
Topic: 62  Message: 62

http://www.ntc.cap.gov/comm/ntc/RS_Battmod.htm

the above web site has information on how to modify the astron power
supply to float charge either gel cell or deep cycle marine batteries.

just thought I would pass this along as away to get emergency power
for your shack.

# 63. Fwd: CCE Registrations

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2002-06-09 17:15:14 UTC
From: David Ziskind, KE4QLH
Topic: 63  Message: 63

FYI...Prices go up effective July 1!

73,
David

>ARRL Certification and Continuing Education Program registration (June 7,
>2002)
>
>Registration opens:
> Amateur Radio Emergency Communications
> EC courses must be completed in order, starting with Level I.
> Monday, June 10, for the Level II course (EC-002).
> Monday, June 17 for the Level III course (EC-003).
> Antenna Modeling course
> Monday, June 10 (EC-004)
> HF Digital Course
> Monday, June 17 (EC-005)
>
>Registration on all dates begins at 4 PM Eastern Time. Beginning July 1,
>registration fees for all on-line courses will increase by $5. To learn
>more, visit the ARRL Certification and Continuing Education Web page
><http://www.arrl.org/cce> and the C-CE Links found there. For more
>information, contact Certification and Continuing Education Coordinator Dan
>Miller, K3UFG, cce@....

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# 64. Peachtree Road Race Volunteers

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2002-06-21 04:17:27 UTC
From: David Ziskind, KE4QLH
Topic: 64  Message: 64

If you are interested in volunteering for the Peachtree on July 4, please contact Amy ASAP! She is especially interested if you can bring / operate a packet station.

Amy S. Woodrick, KE4IKF
Peachtree Road Race 2002
Communications Coordinator
770) 381-8299 home (until 9pm)
awoodrick@...

73,
David

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David Ziskind, KE4QLH <mailto:ke4qlh@...>
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# 65. ATTENTION PLEASE!

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2002-07-18 21:56:56 UTC
From: David Schornak
Topic: 65  Message: 65

ATTENTION PLEASE!
Announcing the 1st weekly Atlanta Theory Practice Test 2m FM net.

What: a weekly 2m FM net

When: Every Tuesday night, 8:30 PM

Where: 146.82-, PL 146.2 Hz

Why: To improve the technical and regulatory knowledge of all Atlanta area hams. To help Technicians upgrade to General and perhaps help Generals upgrade to Extra.

Who: KG4LSK is the NCS. All Technician class licenses are encouraged to participate. All Atlanta hams are welcome.

# 66. Fwd: [gaares] APRS Drill, July 30, 2002 2300UTC - July 31, 200 0100UTC

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2002-07-22 12:29:43 UTC
From: David Ziskind, KE4QLH
Topic: 66  Message: 66

FYI...

Note that John's correct email is: jfkraus3@...

73,
David

>GA ARES Members -
>
>On the evening of July 30, 2002, from 7pm EDT to 9pm EDT, the Georgia
>Section ARES will be conducting an APRS drill. Credit goes to John
>Kraus, KC4ZGQ, for organizing this drill. If you are an active APRS
>operator, or are APRS capable, and are available on the evening of
>Tuesday, July 30th, your participation in this drill--especially if you
>can fill one of the simulation roles outlined below--is GREATLY appreciate.
>
>I would like use this announcement as an opportunity to share with you
>some of the material from the ARECC, Level 3, course, unit 20, "Designing
>Successful Exercises." Hopefully, this information will be helpful to you
>for designing and preparing drills and exercises in your local
>jurisdiction. Please read through the entire text of the material, as I
>have interspersed details regarding this drill with the text taken from EC003.
>
>For those of you who do not currently have APRS stations, we will publish
>Internet URL's prior to the drill that you can use to monitor the progress
>of the drill (all APRS traffic in our area is forwarded to the Internet
>thanks to the work of Mark Foley, NA4V).
>
>If you have specific questions about this drill you can address them to
>John (jfkrause3@...) or to me (but please be sure to copy the
>other...), or you can post them to this list. Please contact John
>directly if you are interested in participating in one of the specific
>operational roles.
>
>Thanks in advance for your interest and participation.
>
>73 de Mike Boatright, KO4WX
>Georgia Section Emergency Coordinator
>
>Excerpts taken from Designing Successful Exercises, ARECC level 3, unit 20.
>
>Drills, exercises, tests. By any name, periodic exercises are used to
>evaluate the effectiveness of training and plans just as classroom tests
>are used to test the effectiveness of teaching. Exercises are particularly
>important tools used to measure the readiness of trained organizations
>such as military units, public safety agencies or ARES/RACES groups. They

>provide low risk - if not low stress - opportunities for the leadership to
>determine what works and what needs further development, and for
>participants to sharpen their communication skills. This is why the ARRL
>strongly recommends participation in its annual Simulated Emergency Test (SET).
>
>However, exercises are only valuable if three conditions are met:
>1. The goals of the exercise must be clearly articulated.
>2. The correct type of exercise must be chosen and designed.
>3. Feedback on exercise performance must be promptly given to all
>participants.
>Exercise Goals
>
>To be meaningful, exercises must have clearly defined goals. These may
>include:
>
> - Introducing new procedures.
> - Stressing a particular skill or network element.
> - Re-testing some aspect of a prior exercise to measure any improvement
> in performance.
> - End-to-end testing of a network system.
> - Total system response to a given situation.
>
>In the case of the exercise on the 30th, the exercise goals are:
>
> - Determine whether APRS can effectively function as a real time
> Tactical Information System.
> - Understand the limitations of the short text messaging used in the
> APRS system and the amateur radio operator's ability to format brief
> coherent reports.
>
>Choosing The Type of Exercise
>
>There are three types of exercises most used by ARES groups: full-scale,
>tabletop, and functional. Which one you choose depends on your goals.
>Full-scale exercises can help simulate the stresses that occur to network
>operations during a disaster. Tabletop and Functional exercises are good
>alternatives to the full-scale exercise for the introduction of new
>procedures and systems.
>
>Full-Scale
>SETs may be full-scale exercises with operators responding to EOCs and
>field locations. They're fun, complex and prone to failure, especially
>when a new procedure or system is introduced. While identifying areas that
>need improvement is a valuable part of any exercise, it's equally
>important that volunteer responders have a positive experience. Consider a
>full-scale exercise only when individual systems have been adequately
>tested on a smaller scale.
>
>Tabletop
>Tabletop exercises are especially valuable for introducing new procedures

>or techniques in a classroom setting. Their primary limitation is that
>fewer participants can be involved.
>
>Tabletop exercises are essentially role-playing meetings. With one person
>serving as moderator, participants representing various locations or
>functions review their roles or respond to questions from other
>participants. No timeline is required although the discussion should
>follow a typical sequence of events. Tabletops allow the participants the
>luxury of interrupting the exercise to discuss any aspect of the drill.
>They are the best way to introduce new procedures because the feedback is
>immediate and heard by all present. Tabletops should be attended by
>ARES/RACES leadership personnel who can take the lessons learned back to
>their membership for training prior to full-scale exercises.
>
>Functional
>Functional exercises may utilize the same facilities as full-scale drills,
>whether physical facilities such as EOCs or radio nets are used. Most
>participants perform their typical roles while a smaller group serves as
>simulators. Functional exercises can also be run with all participants
>communicating from their homes, simply adopting the roles they would have
>in a full-scale drill.
>
>Like the tabletop, a net control station can moderate a functional
>exercise. Functional exercises held on the air can be scaled to allow as
>many or as few participants as the exercise designers choose, but all
>ARES/RACES personnel can monitor the exercise for its training value, and
>to provide a post-exercise critique.
>
>Consider tabletop or functional exercises as mid-term events to be held
>prior to the annual full-scale SET. They provide low-stress training
>opportunities which can be adjusted as they progress, something which is
>nearly impossible during full-scale exercises.
>
>Our exercise on July 30th is a FUNCTIONAL EXERCISE. We will have specific
>stations assigned to the roles of:
>
>National Weather Service
>Georgia Emergency Management Agency
>Bibb County Emergency Management Agency
>Net Control Station
>A minimum of three additional operators who will be at simulated city
>operations posts or shelters.
>
>Design Elements and Scenario Evolution
>
>The success of any exercise is directly related to the amount and quality
>of planning that goes into it. Keeping in mind the goals of the exercise,
>a number of exercise design elements need to be considered. In addition,
>each simulation needs a starting point, one or more tests or challenges in
>succession, and an ending point.

>
>To avoid any potential misinterpretation of messages sent during drill on
>the 30th, the scenario will involve a significant winter storm combined
>with a wet El Nino weather pattern ("Christmas in July").
>
>It is anticipated that the drill will run for approximately two hours on
>the evening of July 30, 2002 beginning approximately 7:00 pm EDT
>(2300UTC). The scenario will begin with the National Weather Service
>station issuing a simulated winter storm warning that will include the
>potential for severe icing. As the drill progresses stations will report
>to both National Weather Service and Georgia Emergency Management Agency
>weather and road conditions in their area. The actual text of these
>messages will be worked out and provided to each station prior to the
>drill. This will be done in order to maintain control of the drill content
>while simultaneously training operators in the use of short text messaging.
>
>The drill scenario will be as follows:
>
>The National Weather Service station issues a winter storm warning and
>activate the APRS Net. Given the potential widespread nature of the
>anticipated problems the net control duties will be handed off to a
>secondary that control station. A state of emergency is declare and the
>GEMA SOC station is activation. The GEMA amateur radio station will also
>be activated at this time. Each station will be provided with a list of
>messages to send that theoretically come from their served agencies. The
>vast majority of the generated traffic will be directed to either GEMA or
>the National Weather Service. However, the net control station may ask
>individual stations for ad hoc reports at any time. Furthermore, either
>the National Weather Service or GEMA may request information from any
>station at any time.
>
>Network Design
>
>Consider the communication networks you wish to test. Will it be only one
>or two, or every network in your emergency response plan? For instance, if
>you are testing a communication failure between a triage center and a
>hospital, you might have both a secure (digital mode) and tactical (voice
>mode) net. Be sure you have considered all possible communication paths
>that might be needed for the scenario to work as intended.
>
>Operators are expected to be familiar with their APRS client programs
>messaging capabilities. There will be no time during the drill to answer
>routine setup and configuration questions and any station requesting this
>information will be asked to stand by until the drill is completed. John
>Kraus KC4ZGQ will be monitoring the APRS network most evenings from 7
>until 8:00 p.m. to provide technical assistance and testing to the
>stations who
>are planning to participate. Alternatively John can be reached at
>JFKRAUS3@... to schedule a time for a practice session or to help with
>setup of APRS+. Although operators are welcome to use any APRS client

>program it should be noted that currently APRS + appears to have the best
>messaging interface.
>
>Within the APRS system outgoing path definitions can be critical to a
>station's success. For the purposes of this drill it is recommended that
>station set their paths as short as possible. It is highly unlikely that
>any station will need a path longer than three digi hops. If a given
>station is familiar with the local APRS network they should be able to set
>a path of DIGICALL,WIDE2-2 substituting the call of their local digi for
>digicall. It is hoped that stations that are not familiar with their
>programs capabilities will take advantage of one of the opportunities to
>practice before the event when this type of issue can be worked out via
>over the air conversations and e-mail.
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>Michael C. Boatright

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# 67. U.S. Senate Passes Bill to Create Tech Version of National Guard LONG

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2002-07-25 13:01:44 UTC
From: David Schornak
Topic: 67  Message: 67

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The U.S. Senate Friday passed legislation that would create a technology equivalent of the National Guard. The Science and Technology Emergency Mobilization Act, sponsored by Sen. Ron Wyden (D-OR) and Sen. George Allen (R-VA) calls for teams of volunteers with technology and science expertise, organized in advance and available to be mobilized on short notice; a "virtual technology reserve" that would consist of a database of private-sector equipment and expertise that emergency officials could call upon in an emergency; a Center for Civilian Homeland Security Technology Evaluation that would serve as a national clearinghouse and test bed for innovative technologies relating to emergency prevention and response, and a Web portal to provide individuals and companies with a single point to access the center and a single point of contact at each federal agency participating in the Center for Civilian Homeland Security; and a "communications interoperability" pilot program awarding seven grants of $5 million each. The grants would help fund pilot projects to enable communications systems used by fire, law enforcement, and emergency preparedness and response agencies to work together for cross-communication in disaster situations. The House Science Committee has passed a similar version of the Senate bill in the committee's portion of the Homeland Security package.

Source:
Agence France-Presse
Washington Post

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Thanks

Pres Waterman, W2PW
c/o 112 Motors, LLC
Long Island Ford, Kia and Used Dealer

GO BILLS!

Well - I think the FT817/HF Pack group ought to apply for a grant - at least 4K members (there HAS to be 150 members of HF pack that AREN'T members of 817) between the two groups - all ready with portable equipment - ought to get their attention. Let's see - 4000 x $1000 each = $4million - that fits - and gets us back part of our "up front" investment! $1000 covers a 817, OPP & a Buddipole - sounds like a portable communications system to me!

Don
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In our present situation, ham radio operators are randomly scattered geographically in un-controlled chaotic movement patterns. This is the most secure and redundant communications resource that could ever have be dreamed of by the lofty think-tank strategists of the cold war.

Now, instead of the present population of "chaotic" ham radio operators, maybe they want to control this new "service" completely from the top down... which brings up some interesting questions.

Would this also mean the creation of a "portable radio bootcamp"?

Would all the XOs (eXtra-class Officers) receive high level on-air courtesy, priority, and salutes from the NCOs (No-Code Officers)?

Would the reserve personnel of the "Tech Guard" get mandatory time off from their employers to participate in CREs (Communications Readiness Exercises)... like FPNs (Ft-817 Portable Nets), FDs (Field Days), or DXCCs (Development eXpedition Communication Coordinations)?

I patiently await my orders and the MTO (Manual of Technical Operations).
:-)

Bonnie KQ6XA

# 68. Re: [nfares] U.S. Senate Passes Bill to Create Tech Version of National Guard LONG

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2002-07-25 16:13:22 UTC
From: Bob Beeman
Topic: 67  Message: 68

Sounds like a boondoggle to me. If it can be linked to Homeland Security, our elected and well paid Congressional representatives will find a way to allocate Federal money to assure more votes. It is also intrusive, i.e., why would we want to have a "database of private sector equipment", meaning that every commercial and personal computer, disk drive, radio, TV, model car, and personal vibrator could be "inventoried" for Homeland Security purposes.

Paranoid? Probably. Far fetched? Probably not!

BB

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# 69. Fwd: Special Olympics Fall Games

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2002-08-17 05:47:37 UTC
From: David Ziskind, KE4QLH
Topic: 69  Message: 69

Hi all -

Wanted to let you know about this upcoming public service activity. If you are interested, please contact Todd or Phil!

73,
David
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David Ziskind, KE4QLH <mailto:ke4qlh@...>
Emergency Coordinator - North Fulton County (Georgia) A.R.E.S
Webpage: http://www.fultonares.org
Communications Director, Georgia Games

>Hello everyone!
>
>We have a special event this year, taking place in the Hall County
>area. Ham radio operators have been requested to volunteer at the Special
>Olympics Fall Games in Gainesville, GA. This time we have had an
>agreement with the Lanierland Amateur Radio Club and the Georgia Baptists
>Association so that we can finally get hats, a t-shirt, and a name badge
>for everyone volunteering!
>
>We so far only have about 15 people signed up for these events, and we are
>in need of at least 18 operators each day. If you can volunteer, please
>let me know your NAME, T-SHIRT size, and DAYS that you will be able to
>work. All this is to be turned in by next week, or else we may not get a
>tshirt and hat for every volunteer.
>
>Below is the schedule of events. In addition to the venues we will have
>shadows and other positions for communicators. Please let me know as soon
>as possible what days you can volunteer. The event director with the
>radio group needs to know how to proceed and can only do so when he finds
>out what volunteers he has. Currently, we do not have enough volunteers
>to commit to these events, and we will have to back out if we do not get
>more support.
>
>Please volunteer whenever you can and show your support of the ham radio
>community in hosting large events like these. You can call or email me at
>anytime if you would like to volunteer or have any questions. The
>activities director in charge of this event is Phil Loggins, K4PDL, and if
>you'd like you can write him directly to add your name to the volunteer
>roster. Thank you all and 73's!
>
>Todd Bowden, AF4CZ
><mailto:af4cz@...>af4cz@...
>

>Phil Loggins, K4PDL
><mailto:k4pdl@...>k4pdl@...
>Activities Director, LARC
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>Schedule of Events
>
> Friday, October 18th
>
> 1:00pm-5:00pm Team Softball- Lanier Point Softball Complex
> Bocce- Chicopee Woods Agricultural Ctr.
>
> 8:00-9:30 PM- Opening Ceremony- North Hall High Stadium
>
>Saturday, October 19th
>
> 8:30 am - forward Team Softball- Lanier Point Softball Complex
> Softball Skills- Laurel Park
> Bocce- Chicopee Woods Agricultural Ctr.
> Cyclying- Gainesville College
> Golf- Chattahoochee Golf Club
> Golf Skills- Chattahoochee Golf Club
>
> 9:45am-4:45pm Olympic Town- Gainesville High
> 7:30- 9:30 PM Victory Dance- Gainesville High
>
>Sunday, October 20
>
> 8:30am- 1:30pm Long Distance Run/Walk- Gainesville College

# 70. North Fulton Net Control Schedule - NEW!

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2002-08-30 22:41:15 UTC
From: Bob Beeman
Topic: 70  Message: 70

Please see the "Nets And Meetings" section on the NFARES web page (www.fultonares.org) for the latest Net Control roster. I have created a 6 month schedule, and if anyone has a problem with a particular date let me know.

I want to thank everyone who has been acting as a scheduled Net Control. This is the one weekly activity that keeps us in practice for emergencies. If anyone has suggestions of additional content on the net just send me an email.

Please note that I will be Net Control for Sunday, September 1. The regular schedule picks up after that.

73,

Bob
K4BB
Net Manager

# 71. Fwd: ARES-MAT

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2002-09-12 01:29:39 UTC
From: David Ziskind, KE4QLH
Topic: 71  Message: 71
Attachments: 1 described; binary payloads are missing from this source WARC

If you are interested in the Mutual Aid Team (ARES-MAT), please see the attached and contact Steve directly. If for some reason the attachment gets stripped, I will have Bob post to the website.

73,
David

>Please see attached file. It outlines the ARES-MAT Team and
>qualifications to join the team. I encourage all of you to promote this
>program within your own groups. This Team has the potential to provide
>the kind of response to unserved areas of our state in times of need. We
>have a large number of ARES members in the Metro-Atlanta Area, and I am
>sure that one or more members of your individual groups would like to
>step up to and become a member of the ARES-MAT Team. I will talk more
>about the Team at the ARES Fourum during the upcoming Alford Memorial
>Radio Club Hamfest the first weekend in November. This year will see it
>as a 2 Day Hamfest with many expanded opportunities for all.
>
>Thanks and 73
>Steve W4CNG

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David Ziskind, KE4QLH <mailto:ke4qlh@...>
Emergency Coordinator - North Fulton County (Georgia) A.R.E.S
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# 72. Fwd: Re: Bob Bruninga, WB4APR coming to Georgia Tech

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2002-10-25 01:15:21 UTC
From: David Ziskind, KE4QLH
Topic: 72  Message: 72

Don't forget we have a testing session at GT this Sunday at 2:30pm!

See below for an announcement regarding a prominent speaker coming to Tech.

73,
David
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David Ziskind, KE4QLH <mailto:ke4qlh@...>
Emergency Coordinator - North Fulton County (Georgia) A.R.E.S
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> Georgia Tech hosts Bob Bruniga, APRS designer
>
> The Georgia Tech Amateur Radio club and the Georgia Tech IEEE
>student chapter proudly present a demo and lecture given Bob Bruniga,
>WB4APR on Monday, November 4, 2002. Bob will give a live demonstration
>of a satellite Automatic Position Reporting System (APRS) ground
>station as well as a lecture on the future of APRS. Both events are
>open to the public and all interested are welcome to attend.
>
> When: Monday, November 4, 2002. Demo at 5:45pm; lecture at 6:30pm
>
> Where: Georgia Tech campus, Old Architecture building, room 123
> See http://gtalumni.org/campusmap/bldngmodel.html?id=76&navview=0
> There should be plenty of parking near the building after 5pm.
>
> Questions? Contact David at ke4qlh@....
>
> Bob Bruninga, WB4APR, came to wide accolades in 1992 with his
>creation of the Automatic Position Reporting System, a way for Amateur
>Radio Operators to interface a GPS to a radio that allows for
>automatic position reporting of GPS locations via radio. Mr. Bruninga
>graduated from Georgia Tech in 1970 with a Bachelors degree in
>Electrical Engineering, where he also joined the Naval Reserve
>Officers Training Corps. He followed-up with a Masters degree, also
>in EE, at the Naval Postgraduate School, in 1971. During his 20 years
>of service, Commander Bruninga rose to serve as Engineering Duty
>Officer, dealing with combat systems and communications. In the late
>1970's, Bob Bruninga wrote one of the first Amateur Radio packet
>bulletin board systems (BBS). He specified the high frequency (HF)
>packet modem standard of 200 Hz frequency shift in the FSK mode
>(frequency shift keying). He also created the first HF packet BBS for
>Commodore PC's used worldwide in 1983. Commander Bruninga was hired
>as Senior Research Engineer for the US Naval Academy Satellite Lab.
>Owing to his creation of the APRS system, Bob Bruninga assisted

>Kenwood with design for its APRS-ready radios, the TH-D7A and the
>TM-D700A, in 1997. He helped the USNA design and build the PCsat, the
>first APRS satellite. He is currently designing three more follow-on
>APRS satellite systems with the US Naval Academy's Satellite Lab.

# 73. Rowing Regatta

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2002-10-26 13:11:29 UTC
From: Chuck Daley - Mindspring
Topic: 73  Message: 73

I have received a call regarding a rowing regatta scheduled for Saturday and Sunday, November 2nd and 3rd at Lake Lanier. I have been told that they have secured access to the LARC repeater if they can find licensed operators. They would like to man between 3 to 5 radio positions between 8:30 a.m. and 5:00 p.m., particularly on Saturday. A larger number of operators working shifts is acceptable.

They have also asked about the possibility of a packet (or other data) link between the Start and Finish positions.

I told them I would spread the word. If anyone is interested, please give me a call at 770-475-8140, 770-262-1091, or send me email.

Chuck

Chuck Daley
KD4LXQ

# 74. Fwd: [gaares] FW: [SECARRL] ARECC, Level I, Registration Announcement

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2002-11-02 22:53:34 UTC
From: David Ziskind, KE4QLH
Topic: 74  Message: 74

FYI -

This is now open to ALL ARRL members, not just FO appointments.

73,
David
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Emergency Coordinator - North Fulton County (Georgia) A.R.E.S
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>Hello ARRL Section Emergency Coordinators,
>
>Please help spread the word to other ARRL members in your Section about this
>upcoming class. It is being offered to all ARRL members whether or not they
>hold a Field Organization appointment or not. Section Managers have also
>received the following announcement, and it should be posted on the ARRL Web
>site soon at www.arrl.org.
>
>Thank you and 73,
>
>Steve, WV1X
>sewald@...
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>
>ARRL Emergency Communications Course Registration
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>Registration opens Tuesday, November 5, at 4 PM Eastern Time (2100 UTC) for
>the Level I (EC-001) Emergency Communications course. Registration remains
>open through the November 9-10 weekend or until all available seats have
>been filled--whichever comes first. Class begins Tuesday, November 19.
>Thanks to the federal homeland security grant from the Corporation for
>National and Community Service, the $45 registration fee paid upon
>enrollment will be reimbursed after successful completion of the course.
>
>During this registration period, approximately 200 seats are being offered
>to ARRL members on a first-come, first-served basis. To learn more, visit
>the ARRL Certification and Continuing Education Web page
><http://www.arrl.org/cce> and the C-CE Links found there. For more
>information, contact Emergency Communications Course Manager Dan Miller,
>K3UFG, dmiller@...; 860-594-0340.

# 75. Fwd: [Gaares] DEC Christmas Parade

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2002-11-05 12:56:37 UTC
From: David Ziskind, KE4QLH
Topic: 75  Message: 75

>The Childrens Healthcare of Atlanta Parade will be Dec 7th. We are
>looking for communicators to shadow parade officials and checkpoints
>along the parade route. We need about 40 volunteers to work that morning
>to make the parade a success. All EC's, AEC's, and Net Controllers
>please pass this information along to your groups and nets. To sign up
>please send a message to KC4ELV@...

Please contact Tim directly to volunteer (kc4elv@...)

Thanks,
David

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# 76. Fwd: [gaares] GA Section ARES WARNING: Severe Weather in North and Central Georgia tonight

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2002-11-10 20:00:16 UTC
From: David Ziskind, KE4QLH
Topic: 76  Message: 76

This is just an FYI. More information, if available, will be passed on tonight during our regularly scheduled net.

Thanks and 73,
David

>All--
>
>Latest Hazardous Weather Outlook from NWSPTC is attached. The NWS says to
>prepare for the possibility of a major severe weather event. The Georgia
>Section is now in WARNING phase and should be on alert and make early
>preparations for the possibility of activation due to severe weather this
>evening and night.
>
>This alert is for ARES groups. DEC's, please ensure that your
>communications channels to your EC's are operational. EC's please take
>necessary actions to ensure that local ARES groups are prepared to respond
>if necessary (charge batteries, check repeater status, etc.).
>
>SKYWARN groups, Robert, KD4YDC, will activate SKYWARN as appropriate.
>
>73 de Mike, KO4WX
>
>HAZARDOUS WEATHER OUTLOOK FOR NORTH AND CENTRAL GEORGIA
>NATIONAL WEATHER SERVICE PEACHTREE CITY GA
>1104 AM EST SUN NOV 10 2002
>
>.DAY ONE...TODAY.
>
>SEVERE THUNDERSTORMS EXPECTED WITH POSSIBLE TORNADOS TONIGHT.
>
>.SYNOPSIS...
>A STRONG COLD FRONT OVER THE MID U.S. WILL MOVE INTO NORTH GEORGIA
>MONDAY MORNING.
>
>.PRIMARY HAZARD...
>THE PRIMARY HAZARD WILL BE DAMAGING THUNDERSTORM WINDS. TORNADOS AND
>LARGE HAIL WILL ALSO BE POSSIBLE. THE MOST LIKELY AREA WILL BE
>NORTHWEST OF A LINE FROM COLUMBUS TO ATHENS. SEVERE THUNDERSTORMS
>WILL ALSO BE POSSIBLE...BUT LESS LIKELY...SOUTHEAST OF THIS LINE
>THROUGH TONIGHT. THE MOST LIKELY TIME FOR SEVERE WEATHER WILL BE
>AFTER 600 PM AND UNTIL AROUND 600 AM.
>
>.DISCUSSION...

>A WARM AND MOIST AIRMASS WILL CONTINUE SPREADING OVER THE AREA
>THROUGH TONIGHT...AHEAD OF A STRONG COLD FRONT. THE AIRMASS WILL
>BECOME INCREASINGLY UNSTABLE THIS AFTERNOON AND EVENING WITH CAPES
>OF 1500 TO 2500...AND LIFTED INDICES OF MINUS 2 TO MINUS 4.
>ALSO...STRONG SOUTHWEST LOW LEVEL WINDS...AND STRONG WESTERLY JET
>STREAM LEVEL WINDS...WILL BE ASSOCIATED WITH THE FRONT...AS A LARGE
>SCALE UPPER LEVEL TROUGH DEVELOPS OVER THE CENTRAL U.S.
>
>.FOR SPOTTERS...
>SPOTTER ACTIVATION CAN BE EXPECTED SOME TIME THIS EVENING...AND
>COULD LAST WELL INTO THE MORNING HOURS. EMERGENCY MANAGERS SHOULD
>PREPARE FOR THE POSSIBILITY OF A MAJOR SEVERE WEATHER EVENT...
>ESPECIALLY OVER NORTH GEORGIA.
>
>.DAY TWO THROUGH DAY SEVEN...MONDAY THROUGH SATURDAY.
>SEVERE THUNDERSTORMS WILL BE POSSIBLE MONDAY AS A COLD FRONT MOVES
>ACROSS THE AREA. HEAVY RAINFALL WILL ALSO BE POSSIBLE ACROSS CENTRAL
>GEORGIA MONDAY. NO HAZARDOUS WEATHER IS EXPECTED FOR TUESDAY THROUGH
>SATURDAY.
>
>&&
>
>FOR THE GRAPHICAL HAZARDOUS WEATHER OUTLOOK AND OTHER WEATHER
>INFORMATION...PLEASE VISIT OUR WEBSITE AT WWW.SRH.NOAA.GOV/FFC.
>
>Michael C. Boatright
>
>_____
>gaares mailing list
>gaares@...
>https://www.thestrongclan.com/mailman/listinfo/gaares

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# 77. Atlanta Marathon / Half-Marathon on Thanksgiving Day

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2002-11-23 14:25:21 UTC
From: David Ziskind, KE4QLH
Topic: 77  Message: 77

Fellow Hams -

Every year, along with Thanksgiving, comes an Atlanta tradition: The Atlanta Marathon and Half-Marathon. This year, I have stepped in to coordinate the event, after Amy and Ed Woodrick stepped down, after providing the Atlanta Track Club with many years of service.

We have many positions available, including every mile checkpoint along the route, along with several shadow positions and other communications duties. Report times vary, but all assignments should be relieved by 12:30 or so, and some, such as the initial checkpoints, are out much earlier. We will do our best to accommodate your schedule! Volunteers are provided with a nice Marathon sweatshirt.

To volunteer, please contact Becky Roberts, KF4SLZ by email at beckyrob@... or call 404-936-6964.

Please pass this on to other interested hams or email lists. Thank you for your assistance!

We look forward to hearing from you!

73,
David

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# 78. Fw: [Georgia-Skywarn] WINTER STORM WARNING

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2002-12-03 23:29:43 UTC
From: David Schornak
Topic: 78  Message: 78

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----- Original Message -----
From: "Michael C. Boatright" <ko4wx@...>
To: <gaares@...>; <georgia-skywarn@...>;
<gaares@...>
Cc: <GA Section ARES DEC's :>
Sent: Tuesday, December 03, 2002 6:22 PM
Subject: [Georgia-Skywarn] WINTER STORM WARNING

> Note that the warning includes Elbert, Hart, Franklin, Stephens, Habersham
> and Rabun Counties in Georgia (Greer, SC CWA). Lincoln County is under a
> Winter Storm Watch.
>
> 73 de Mike, KO4WX
>
> WINTER STORM WARNING
> ABBEVILLE SC-ANDERSON SC-CHEROKEE SC-CLEVELAND NC-ELBERT GA-FRANKLIN
> GA-GREATER GREENVILLE SC-GREATER OCONEE SC-GREATER PICKENS
> SC-GREENWOOD SC-HART GA-LAURENS SC-POLK NC-RUTHERFORD NC-SPARTANBURG
> SC-STEPHENS GA-UNION SC-
> INCLUDING THE CITIES OF...ABBEVILLE...ANDERSON...CARNESVILLE...
> CLEMSON...COLUMBUS...ELBERTON...GAFFNEY...GREENVILLE...GREENWOOD...
> HARTWELL...LAURENS...PICKENS...RUTHERFORDTON...SHELBY...
> SPARTANBURG...TOCCOA AND UNION
> 336 PM EST TUE DEC 3 2002
>
> ...WINTER STORM WARNING FOR WEDNESDAY MORNING THROUGH THURSDAY
> MORNING...
>
> PRECIPITATION IS EXPECTED TO BEGIN AROUND DAYBREAK WEDNESDAY...
> MAINLY AS A SLEET AND FREEZING RAIN MIXTURE. BY EARLY TO MID
> AFTERNOON...PRECIPITATION WILL INTENSIFY...AND IS EXPECTED TO FALL
> MAINLY IN THE FORM OF FREEZING RAIN. UP TO AN INCH OF SLEET WILL BE
> POSSIBLE BY WEDNESDAY AFTERNOON. HOWEVER...DANGEROUS ICE
> ACCUMULATIONS OF UP TO AN INCH WILL BE POSSIBLE ON TOP OF THE SLEET
> WEDNESDAY AFTERNOON INTO WEDNESDAY NIGHT.
>
> THE WEIGHT OF THIS AMOUNT OF ICE WILL BE ENOUGH TO FELL TREES AND
> KNOCK DOWN POWER LINES. PEOPLE IN THE WARNING AREA SHOULD BE
> PREPARED FOR A LOSS OF POWER.
>
>
> Michael C. Boatright
>
> --- StripMime Report -- processed MIME parts ---
> multipart/alternative
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> text/plain (text body -- kept)
> text/html
> The reason this message is shown is because the post was in HTML
> or had an attachment. Attachments are not allowed.
> Please post in Plain-Text only.---
> _____
> Georgia-Skywarn mailing list
> Georgia-Skywarn@...
> http://mailman.qth.net/mailman/listinfo/georgia-skywarn
>

# 79. Fw: [Georgia-Skywarn] ICE STORM WARNING

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2002-12-03 23:34:31 UTC
From: David Schornak
Topic: 79  Message: 79

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----- Original Message -----
From: "Michael C. Boatright" <ko4wx@...>
To: <gaares@...>; <georgia-skywarn@...>;
<gaares@...>
Cc: <GA Section ARES DEC's :>
Sent: Tuesday, December 03, 2002 6:17 PM
Subject: [Georgia-Skywarn] ICE STORM WARNING

> Due to the potential for widespread power outages and subsequent
> communications infrastructure damage and call volume overload, all Georgia
> Section ARES members should now be on ALERT status. ARES members in the
> Northeast, Northwest and Metro Atlanta districts should take immediate
> action to reduce the potential impact of impending disaster; install &
test
> equipment; develop staffing lists; and identify assistance needs. If you
> are in the warned area, you should ensure that your emergency power
> supplies are ready to operate and that you have taken measures to protect
> your property and family.
>
> As a reminder, PLEASE make sure that your own family and property are safe
> before responding to any communications emergency.
>
> 73 de Mike, KO4WX
>
>
> ICE STORM WARNING
> BANKS-BARROW-CHEROKEE-CLARKE-COBB-DAWSON-DE KALB-FANNIN-FORSYTH-
> GILMER-GREENE-GWINNETT-HALL-JACKSON-LUMPKIN-MADISON-MORGAN-NEWTON-
> NORTH FULTON-OCONEE-OGLETHORPE-PICKENS-ROCKDALE-TALIAFERRO-TOWNS-
> UNION-WALTON-WHITE-WILKES-
> 345 PM EST TUE DEC 3 2002
>
> ...AN ICE STORM WARNING IS IN EFFECT FOR WEDNESDAY THROUGH WEDNESDAY
> NIGHT ACROSS PARTS OF NORTH GEORGIA...
>
> AN ICE STORM WARNING HAS BEEN ISSUED FOR WEDNESDAY AND WEDNESDAY
> NIGHT FOR PARTS OF NORTH GEORGIA. THE AREA IS GENERALLY EAST AND
> NORTH OF A LINE FROM BLUE RIDGE...TO ATLANTA...TO CRAWFORDVILLE.
>
> THE FIRST WINTER WEATHER EVENT OF THE SEASON IS EXPECTED ACROSS
> PARTS OF NORTH GEORGIA ON WEDNESDAY. WITH COLD HIGH PRESSURE IN
> PLACE ALONG THE EASTERN UNITED STATES...COLD AIR WILL SLIDE DOWN THE
> EASTERN SIDE OF THE APPALACHIANS INTO NORTHEASTERN GEORGIA ON
> WEDNESDAY. AT THE SAME TIME A LOW PRESSURE SYSTEM IS EXPECTED TO
> FORM NEAR THE TEXAS COAST TUESDAY NIGHT AND MOVE NORTHEAST ACROSS
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> GEORGIA BY WEDNESDAY NIGHT. RAINFALL IN ASSOCIATION WITH THIS LOW
> PRESSURE WILL SPREAD INTO NORTH GEORGIA WEDNESDAY THROUGH WEDNESDAY
> NIGHT.
>
> TEMPERATURES ARE EXPECTED TO DROP TO NEAR OR BELOW FREEZING OVER MUCH
> OF NORTHEAST GEORGIA WEDNESDAY MORNING AS THE RAIN MOVES IN. AS A
> RESULT PRECIPITATION WILL LIKELY BE IN THE FORM OF FREEZING RAIN
> WHICH WILL ACCUMULATE ON EXPOSED OBJECTS. THE COLD AIR IS EXPECTED
> TO REMAIN ACROSS THE WARNED AREA INTO WEDNESDAY NIGHT. SINCE MOST
> AREAS WILL REMAIN BELOW FREEZING...SIGNIFICANT ICING IS EXPECTED TO
> CONTINUE AFTER DARK.
>
> THE AREA OF HIGHEST PROBABILITY FOR SIGNIFICANT ICING WITH
> ACCUMULATIONS GREATER THAN A QUARTER OF AN INCH WILL BE NEAR AND
> NORTH OF A LINE FROM LEXINGTON TO ATHENS TO GAINESVILLE TO CUMMING
> TO DAWSONVILLE. ELEVATIONS AT OR BELOW 2000 FEET ARE ALSO MORE
> LIKELY TO EXPERIENCE SIGNIFICANT ICING. WITH WARM GROUND
> TEMPERATURES...MOST OF THE ICING WILL OCCUR ON TREES AND POWERLINES.
> ICING ON ROADWAYS WILL BE CONFINED MAINLY TO BRIDGES AND OVERPASSES
> UNTIL AFTER DARK.
>
> FOR THE ATLANTA METRO AREA...THE GREATEST THREAT WILL BE ACROSS THE
> NORTHERN AND EASTERN SUBURBS...ESPECIALLY GWINNETT...FORSYTH...
> EASTERN CHEROKEE...AND NORTHERNMOST FULTON COUNTIES. SMALLER
> AMOUNTS OF ICE ACCUMULATION ARE EXPECTED IN OTHER PARTS OF THE
> ATLANTA METRO AREA.
>
> AN ICE STORM WARNING IS ISSUED WHEN SEVERE WINTER WEATHER IS EXPECTED
> TO OCCUR. HEAVY ICE IS FORECAST TO ACCUMULATE TO ONE QUARTER OF AN
> INCH OR GREATER IN THE AFFECTED AREAS. TREES AND POWERLINES COULD
> FALL UNDER THE HEAVY WEIGHT OF THE GLAZE. POWER OUTAGES ARE ALSO
> POSSIBLE. TRAVELERS SHOULD USE CAUTION THROUGHOUT THE DAY AND INTO
> THE EVENING HOURS.
>
> STAY TUNED TO NOAA WEATHER RADIO OR THE MEDIA FOR THE LATEST
> INFORMATION CONCERNING THIS WINTER WEATHER SITUATION. DETAILED
> FORECASTS CAN BE OBTAINED BY VISITING OUR WEBSITE AT
> WWW.SRH.NOAA.GOV/FFC.
>
> $$
>
> Michael C. Boatright
>
> _____
> Georgia-Skywarn mailing list
> Georgia-Skywarn@...
> http://mailman.qth.net/mailman/listinfo/georgia-skywarn

# 80. St. Joseph's Drill on Monday

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2002-12-14 16:43:12 UTC
From: David Ziskind, KE4QLH
Topic: 80  Message: 80

We have an opportunity to participate in a St. Joseph's internal drill this Monday at 8:30am. They are looking for someone to demonstrate the capabilities of ham radio and help integrate ARES into their response plan. It's being held at St. Joseph's and should last no more than 1 hour. I'd like to have someone who can go there and demonstrate what we are capable of and provide suggestions to integrate ham radio in the future.

We really only need one person, but if you there is sufficient interest, we can have more!

Please let me know ASAP if you are available.

Thanks,
David

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# 81. Atlanta Fulton County EMA

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2002-12-28 22:35:00 UTC
From: David Ziskind, KE4QLH
Topic: 81  Message: 81

We've been invited for a 'work-party' at the Atlanta Fulton County EMA on Saturday, Jan 4, from 10am to ?? (planning on around 2pm). We need to test and verify coax runs, check radios, etc. I can take 2 people. Please let me know ASAP if you'd like to go.

Thanks,
David

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# 82. Statewide ARES Meeting

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2003-01-06 01:30:59 UTC
From: David Ziskind, KE4QLH
Topic: 82  Message: 82

Hi all -

Thanks to Cliff KD4GT and Becky KF4SLZ for coming to the Atlanta-Fulton County EMA on Saturday to help with antenna work. We got a lot accomplished and should have more opportunities coming up soon!

I wanted to let you know that the Statewide ARES Meeting has been tentatively scheduled for Sat Feb 1, 11am-1pm in Forsyth, GA (that's the city, not the county!). I will forward more information as it becomes available.

Also - I have a new database to store information such as your available equipment, skills and certifications, etc. I will be updating this soon and will send you another email as I need more info.

I'm still looking for an AEC to put in charge of membership and recruitment. This person would be in charge of maintaining the member database and recruiting new ARES members. Please let me know if you are interested!

73,
David

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# 83. wx4ptc info requested

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2003-01-06 23:18:26 UTC
From: David Schornak
Topic: 83  Message: 83

>WX4PTC requested this info today on the State ARES Net.
>
>Lat/Long of each ARES Member in your county. They are building a file
>that will produce an overlay for the Radar that will show where each
>member is located at. APRS will play a big part in this as Active APRS
>members can be Pinged to get a querey to a weather question (what do you
>see). The member does not have to be trained in Skywarn to be listed in
>the Lat/Long listing.

<Note from KE4QLH: If you need help finding out your lat / long, try this site, just plug in your address: http://www.geocode.com/modules.php?name==TestDrive_Eagle>

okay everyone please forward your info to me where I can compile a list.
format it like this:

call
name
lat
long
also do you have aprs capability? yes/no

see ya

73's
KG4LSK
David Schornak

K2 03027

arf arf arf
don't forget me
Mis Ginger

# 84. Fwd: [nfares] wx4ptc info requested

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2003-01-07 00:31:43 UTC
From: David Ziskind, KE4QLH
Topic: 84  Message: 84

FYI, you can find your lat/long at:
http://www.geocode.com/modules.php?name=TestDrive_Eagle, just plug in your address!

Please get your responses to David KG4LSK ASAP.

Thanks,
David

> >WX4PTC requested this info today on the State ARES Net.
> >
> >Lat/Long of each ARES Member in your county. They are building a file
> >that will produce an overlay for the Radar that will show where each
> >member is located at. APRS will play a big part in this as Active APRS
> >members can be Pinged to get a querey to a weather question (what do you
> >see). The member does not have to be trained in Skywarn to be listed in
> >the Lat/Long listing.
>
>okay everyone please forward your info to me where I can compile a list.
>format it like this:
>
>call
>name
>lat
>long
>also do you have aprs capability? yes/no
>
>
>
>see ya
>
>73's
>KG4LSK
>David Schornak
>
>K2 03027
>
>arf arf arf
>don't forget me
>Mis Ginger

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# 85. Fwd: Special Olympics Winter Games

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2003-01-09 20:25:36 UTC
From: David Ziskind, KE4QLH
Topic: 85  Message: 85

Hi all -

Just wanted to let you know that Todd needs volunteers for the Special Olympics Winter Games coming up Jan 24-26. This is a great event for a good cause and is an enjoyable one to volunteer for!

If you can help out, please contact:

Todd Bowden AF4CZ
af4cz@...
home (770) 532 6633
page (678) 991 4256 or 6789914256@... for text messaging

Thanks and 73,
David

>Hello everyone
>
>I wanted to ask for your assistance with the upcoming Winter Olympic Games
>to be held on January 24-26, in Cobb County. There is also one venue in
>Alpharetta. This is on a Friday, Saturday, and Sunday weekend. I have
>not received the schedule or information on how many communicators we will
>need, but I have been informed we will need approximately the same number
>as last year. We are looking for about 8 operators on Friday, 25
>operators on Saturday, and 15 operators on Sunday.
>
>The games are always fun to work and hams provide the only communications
>between venues and management, as well as with the nerve center (net
>control). I'm also looking for a net control station (possibly 2 if we
>have the staff to do so), so if any of you are interested let me know. In
>addition to working with hams, the 'nerve center' station also helps
>coordinate medical communications to facilitate the flow of communications.
>
>If anyone wants more information, please call or write me at any
>time. This is always a very rewarding event to volunteer for, and one ham
>radio operators shine in doing.
>
>Thanks for your support, and I really look forward to hearing from you!
>
>73
>
>Todd Bowden, AF4CZ
>
>af4cz@...
>home (770) 532 6633
>page (678) 991 4256 or 6789914256@... for text messaging

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# 86. Powerpole Connectors

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2003-01-20 04:16:49 UTC
From: David Ziskind, KE4QLH
Topic: 86  Message: 86

Is anyone interested in ordering the Anderson Powerpole connectors? The
Atlanta Radio Club is placing an order. They are $0.64 each (but do not
include a 'roll pin').

If you are interested, please email David Tomaschik, KF4MDV at
david-tom@... to let him know how many you want to and to arrange
to get them.

73,
David

>X-Apparently-To: dziskind@... via 216.136.130.157; 16 Jan 2003
>04:34:32 -0800 (PST)
>X-Track: 1: 100
>Reply-To: <david-tom@...>
>From: "David Tomaschik" <david-tom@...>
>To: "'David Ziskind, KE4QLH'" <ke4qlh@...>
>Subject: RE: [ARC-List] Re: Powerpole Connectors - Important
>Date: Thu, 16 Jan 2003 07:35:28 -0500
>X-Mailer: Microsoft Outlook CWS, Build 9.0.2416 (9.0.2911.0)
>Importance: Normal
>
>By all means, be my guest to let them know. We currently have about 470
>pairs ordered, so we're just under half way there. Thanks for helping.
>
>David
>-----Original Message-----
>From: David Ziskind, KE4QLH [mailto:ke4qlh@...]
>Sent: Wednesday, January 15, 2003 10:24 PM
>To: david-tom@...
>Subject: Re: [ARC-List] Re: Powerpole Connectors - Important
>
>David -
>
>If you need more orders to fill out the 1000, let me know, I can let North
>Fulton ARES / North Fulton Amateur Radio League know and possibly drum up
>some sales.
>
>-David
>
>
>
>At 09:07 PM 1/14/2003 -0500, you wrote:
>>As I understand it, all connectors under this deal will be of the 30 AMP
>>rating. There are also 15 and 45 AMP ratings, but the ARES standard is
>>the 30 AMP, and this is what we arranged the deal for.

>>
>>David Tomaschik, KF4MDV
>>-----Original Message-----
>>From: arc-list-bounce@... [mailto:arc-list-bounce@...]On Behalf
>>Of KG4PYX@...
>>Sent: Tuesday, January 14, 2003 8:58 PM
>>To: arc-list@...
>>Subject: [ARC-List] Re: Powerpole Connectors - Important
>>
>>The connectors will be $0.64/pair. One pair includes a red housing, a black
>>housing, two terminals, and a roll pin.
>>
>>
>>
>>I have heard that there are several different sizes of these for the
>>different amp ratings. Is this true and if so, what sizes are available
>>and is the price the same regardless?
>>
>>Please respond to the mail reflector.
>>
>>73.
>>
>>Chris Wilkie
>>W1LKE
>>Jonesboro, Georgia
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>David Ziskind, KE4QLH <mailto:ke4qlh@...>
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# 87. Fwd: [Gaares] GA Section ARES Statewide Meeting

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2003-01-20 20:24:08 UTC
From: David Ziskind, KE4QLH
Topic: 87  Message: 87

FYI

-David

>All --
>
>As you know, we have had to postpone our statewide meeting. I had hoped
>that we might schedule it for February 15, but we haven't been able to
>confirm that.
>
>Many of you may also know that this year's Gainesville Hamfest will not
>only be the Section Convention, it will also be the Southeast Division
>Convention. This is just too good of an opportunity to pass
>up. Especially if you remember how incredible the meeting space is that
>the GA Mountain Center provides.
>
>Having our meeting in conjunction with the hamfest also ties in with the
>organizer's interest in providing a public service theme. I'm looking,
>therefore, for some interesting break-out sessions--what do you all have
>in mind?
>
>I realize that this may be difficult for some in South Georgia, and I
>apologize in advance. However, there are excellent hotel accommodations
>right across the street from the Mountain Center (details to follow) at a
>very affordable, convention rate. I personally plan to stay there this year...
>
>So write down July 12th and 13th (the business meeting will take place the
>morning of the 12th) and if you're scheduling vacation around then, well,
>the North Georgia mountains are beautiful that time of year (and it's a
>whole lot cooler than it is in Macon about that time!).
>
>Hope to see you at the meeting in Gainesville!
>
>73 de Mike, KO4WX
>Michael C. Boatright
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>_____
>Gaares mailing list
>Gaares@...
>http://zephyr.dbscom.com/mailman/listinfo/gaares

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# 88. Upcoming Skywarn Class (Forsyth)

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2003-01-24 19:37:55 UTC
From: David Ziskind, KE4QLH
Topic: 88  Message: 88

FYI

-David

>Message: 1
> Date: Thu, 23 Jan 2003 12:56:19 -0500
> From: "John C. Galgano, KF4WCL" <jgalgano@...>
>Subject: SKYWARN Class
>
>The tentative date for a SKYWARN class here in Forsyth County is
>February 27, 2003. This date is not confirmed as of yet. We will post
>more information as it becomes available for the county EMA.
>If you did not sign the signup sheet that was passed at the January
>meeting, and would like to attend the class, please e mail Lori Wood at
>llwood@... and let her know you would like to take the class.
>Everybody stay warm!!!!!
>73
>de KF4WCL, John
>
>--
>John C. Galgano
>Rooftech, Inc. d/b/a Target Sales
>P O Box 720086
>Atlanta, GA 30358
>1-800-635-5460
>fax 770-888-0175

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# 89. Fwd: [georgiaskywarn] Skywarn Class

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2003-01-28 03:32:40 UTC
From: David Ziskind, KE4QLH
Topic: 89  Message: 89

Here is another upcoming course. Sorry if you are getting this from multiple sources, I just want to make sure all North Fulton ARES members see these opportunities. I have not seen Fulton added to the calendar yet...please try to take advantage of these relatively nearby courses if you are able to. If we get a class in Fulton, I'll let you know ASAP.

73,
David

>X-Apparently-To: dziskind@... via 216.136.130.153; 27 Jan 2003
>18:47:27 -0800 (PST)
>X-Track: 1: 100
>X-eGroups-Return:
>sentto-9134006-28-1043722044-ke4qlh=arrl.net@...
>X-Sender: kd4ydc@...
>X-Apparently-To: georgiaskywarn@yahoogroups.com
>X-Mailer: Mozilla 4.75 [en] (Win95; U)
>X-Accept-Language: en
>To: Georgia Skywarn <georgiaskywarn@yahoogroups.com>,
> "521@egroups.com" <521@egroups.com>,
> "fayette_ares@egroups.com" <fayette_ares@egroups.com>,
> WX4PTC Operators <wx4ptc@yahoogroups.com>
>From: Robert Burton <kd4ydc@...>
>Mailing-List: list georgiaskywarn@yahoogroups.com; contact
>georgiaskywarn-owner@yahoogroups.com
>Delivered-To: mailing list georgiaskywarn@yahoogroups.com
>List-Unsubscribe: <mailto:georgiaskywarn-unsubscribe@yahoogroups.com>
>Date: Mon, 27 Jan 2003 21:45:36 -0500
>Subject: [georgiaskywarn] Skywarn Class
>Reply-To: georgiaskywarn@yahoogroups.com
>
>This would be nice if we could get some of the folks from Fayette County
>to attend :-)
>It would be nice if could also get some of the WX4PTC ops as well.
>Robert
>
>
><snip> (from Pete Nelms)
>Clayton County will be hosting a spotter course on Saturday Feb 8th at
>10:00 and Fayette folks are invited. They will need to contact Roy Baker
>directly at 770-389-3238.
>
>
>
>

>To unsubscribe from this group, send an email to:
>georgiaskywarn-unsubscribe@yahoogroups.com
>
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>
>Your use of Yahoo! Groups is subject to http://docs.yahoo.com/info/terms/

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# 90. Meeting 2/6: Captain Jim Cheatham from Alpharetta Fire

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2003-02-05 22:01:19 UTC
From: David Ziskind, KE4QLH
Topic: 90  Message: 90

The North Fulton Amateur Radio League meeting tomorrow night (Thurs 2/6) will feature Captain Jim Cheatham from Alpharetta Fire and Emergency Services. Capt. Cheatham will be talking to the group about how AFES can use amateur radio, and their plans to integrate us in the future. He will be joining us for dinner at 6:30pm, and the meeting will start around 7:15pm or so...

If you'll recall, Capt. Cheatham visited us at Field Day on Saturday, and stayed for at least 6 hours! He initially located me through fultonares.org almost 2 years ago, and since then we've started to develop a relationship between North Fulton ARES and Alpharetta Fire. Please attend if you can!

73,
David

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# 91. Severe Weather Week

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2003-02-17 21:45:14 UTC
From: David Ziskind, KE4QLH
Topic: 91  Message: 91

This week is Severe Weather Week. The "highlight" is the Statewide Tornado Drill this Wed, Feb 19. It is scheduled for between 8 and 10am. Lans (Meteorologist-in-charge, National Weather Service Peachtree City, and also KD5EJN) has a goal of check-ins of 75% from the PTC warning area. I believe they will link in on ARC, 146.820-.

Is someone available on Wednesday to go to Alpharetta Fire and Emergency Services HQ to check into the net from there? You would probably need to get there around 8am and plan to stay until 10am (or sooner, if the drill occurs before then). Our contact, Capt. Cheatham, who also spoke at the Feb NFARL meeting, would not be personally available...but someone else would be there, and that would be a perfect time to show off equipment or such.

Anyway, you'd have to bring your own equipment, antennas, etc. As a matter of exercise, I'd encourage you to do it on emergency (i.e. battery) power. Please make sure you'd be equipped to hit the 146.82 machine. Fire HQ is at 2970 Webb Bridge Road.

Please let me know ASAP if you can go, so that I can let them know to expect you.

73,
David

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## 92. Fwd: [Gaares] Lest we forget...

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2003-03-21 04:18:34 UTC
From: David Ziskind, KE4QLH
Topic: 92  Message: 92

FYI...from the Gaares reflector.

I am meeting with the staff at the Atlanta-Fulton County Emergency Management Agency tomorrow to discuss a specific response plan as necessary. If the national 'terror alert' (as seen at http://www.dhs.gov/dhspublic ) goes to Red (Severe), then we will probably need some significant contribution from North Fulton ARES members, as well as other nearby ARES organizations BUT I will let you know if that happens and what our specific response will be.

Meanwhile, please check over your ready bags and emergency plans to be ready in case we're called. Please continue to monitor your pagers.

73,
David

>X-Apparently-To: dziskind@... via 216.136.130.155; 20 Mar 2003
>18:42:23 -0800 (PST)
>X-Original-To: gaares@...
>Delivered-To: gaares@...
>Delivered-To: gaares@...
>X-Sender: ko4wx@...
>X-Mailer: QUALCOMM Windows Eudora Version 5.0.2
>Date: Thu, 20 Mar 2003 21:40:56 -0500
>To: gaares@..., gaares@...
>From: "Michael C. Boatright" <ko4wx@...>
>X-Virus-Scanned: by AMaViS perl-11
>Cc: af4fo@...
>Subject: [Gaares] Lest we forget...
>X-BeenThere: gaares@...
>X-Mailman-Version: 2.1.1
>Reply-To: Georgia ARES list <gaares@...>
>List-Id: Georgia ARES list <gaares.dbscom.com>
>List-Help: <mailto:gaares-request@...?subject=help>
>List-Post: <mailto:gaares@...>
>List-Subscribe: <http://rain.dbscom.com/mailman/listinfo/gaares>,
> <mailto:gaares-request@...?subject=subscribe>
>List-Archive: <http://rain.dbscom.com/pipermail/gaares>
>List-Unsubscribe: <http://rain.dbscom.com/mailman/listinfo/gaares>,
> <mailto:gaares-request@...?subject=unsubscribe>
>Sender: gaares-bounces@...
>
>GA Section ARES--
>
>While all eyes are focused on the events in Iraq, and the possible threats
>back home that they may precipitate, I would like to take a moment to

>remind you that ALL of the threats--as outlined in the Section Emergency
>Operations Response Plan--have the potential to affect us and to create
>the need for response and assistance.
>
>Many of you may have been involved in the SKYWARN activation yesterday
>afternoon through early this morning. My hat is off to you, and I offer
>you my sincere thanks. My ARES pager went of over 50 times, so I know
>that many of you were very busy.
>
>As some of you know, a tornado or tornadoes touched down in Mitchell and
>Worth Counties--six people were killed and 200 injured (11 seriously),
>60-80 persons were displaced from their homes and 159 homes were
>damaged. If you or any of your ARES members are responding to this
>disaster--or you know of ARES members responding to this disaster--please
>give me a brief report of your activity, ASAP, so that I can make GEMA
>aware of your assistance.
>
>Some of you may have heard about--or felt--the 3.5 magnitude earthquake
>that occurred on Tuesday morning (at 01:04:24 am), near Tyrone, GA in Wilkes
>County. It was felt at Athens, Lexington and Washington and also felt in
>western South Carolina.
>
>So even the seemingly most remote threat does have the possibility of
>necessitating our response--accordingly, I encourage all EC's and DEC's to
>keep sight of the entire breadth of your potential response needs--using
>your local plans to help you prepare to respond, rather than scramble to react.
>
>In whatever manner is appropriate for you personally, I ask your prayers
>for all participants in the current world events--for the dead, injured
>and displaced in South Georgia, for the soldiers in harm's way, for the
>people who have no choice in being in harms way, and for the many, many
>hardworking people back home working to ensure the safety of our homeland
>and our ability to respond if needed.
>
>73 de Mike, KO4WX, GA Section Emergency Coordinator
>
>Michael C. Boatright
>
>_____
>Gaares mailing list
>Gaares@...
>You can unsubscribe to this list at:
>http://rain.dbscom.com/mailman/listinfo/gaares

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## 93. Test Message Only, please ignore

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2003-07-07 01:31:30 UTC
From: David Ziskind, KE4QLH
Topic: 93  Message: 93

Thanks,
David

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# 94. Georgia Games

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2003-07-11 02:34:45 UTC
From: David Ziskind, KE4QLH
Topic: 94  Message: 94

Hey NFARES -

The Georgia Games are starting tomorrow (Friday) and continue through July 20. We are still looking for volunteers! We have many different sports and venue locations, so we can probably accommodate your schedule!

To volunteer, please contact Sid Bishop KB4QKZ at the Games command center at 770-528-3591 or email me at ke4qlh@....

Thanks...please forward to any interested hams!

73,
David

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# 95. Fwd: North Fulton ARES Web Page Updated

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2003-07-29 11:49:42 UTC
From: David Ziskind, KE4QLH
Topic: 95  Message: 95

>At last! The North Fulton ARES web page has been updated with a new Net
>Control Schedule. Please go to WWW.FULTONARES.ORG, and click on Nets &
>Meetings in the menu section to see who has NFARES Net Control duty for a
>given Sunday night.
>
>If you wish to be added to the schedule, email K4BB@... and I will
>arrange it.
>
>Thanks,
>
>Bob Beeman, K4BB
>NFARES Net Manager
>

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David Ziskind, KE4QLH <mailto:ke4qlh@...>
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# 96. Fwd: ARRL Emergency Course Registration

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2003-08-15 11:44:20 UTC
From: David Ziskind, KE4QLH
Topic: 96  Message: 96

>ARRL Emergency Communications course registration.
>
>Registration for the United Technologies Corporation Grant-sponsored Level
>II ARRL Amateur Radio Emergency Communications on-line course (EC-002)
>that begins August 26 remains open through midnight Sunday, August 17 or
>until all seats are filled.
>
>Registration opens Monday, August 18, 12:01 AM Eastern Daylight Time (0401
>UTC), for the Level III Emergency Communications on-line course (EC-003).
>Registration remains open through the August 23-24 weekend or until all
>available seats have been filled--whichever comes first. Class begins
>Tuesday, September 2.
>
>Thanks to a grant from United Technologies Corp, the $45 registration fee
>paid upon enrollment will be reimbursed after successful completion of the
>Level III course. During this registration period, approximately 50 seats
>are being offered to ARRL members on a first-come, first-served basis.
>
>To learn more, visit the ARRL Certification and Continuing Education Web
>page <<<http://www.arrl.org/cce/>http://www.arrl.org/cce/>> and the C-CE
>Links found there. For more information, contact Emergency Communications
>Course Manager Dan Miller, K3UFG, dmiller@...; 860-594-0340.

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# 97. Christmas Parade

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2003-11-16 16:40:25 UTC
From: David Ziskind, KE4QLH
Topic: 97  Message: 97

Tim Rosing KC4ELV is looking for volunteers for the annual parade. Please
email him at kc4elv@... if you are interested. I believe the date is
Dec 6, probably 6am-noon, but confirm that with him...

73,
David

>X-Mailer: Openwave WebEngine, version 2.8.11 (webedge20-101-194-20030622)
>From: Stephen Reynolds <w4cng@...>
>To: Tim <kc4elv@...>
>CC: <kg4fxg@...>, <wa4dyd@...>, <rbutler322@...>,
> <ko4wx@...>, <tony.king@...>, <ke4qlh@...>,
> <af4fo@...>, <rbaker4@...>, <kd4ydc@...>,
> <n4seg@...>, <plotz@...>, <wmasseng@...>
>Subject: Re: E-mail reflector
>Date: Sat, 15 Nov 2003 17:49:31 -0500
>
>
>No group addresses, but I will copy all in my address book for you.
>Folks, Tim needs help in the Childrens Christmas Parade for communications.
>This will be my 3rd year and it is a most gratifying and fun project to do.
>Please reply back to Tim at his email address with volunteers.
>Steve W4CNG
> >
> > From: Tim <kc4elv@...>
> > Date: 2003/11/12 Wed PM 08:52:00 EST
> > To: W4cng@...
> > Subject: E-mail reflector
> >
> > Steve I had a massive computor failure last week and lost a lot of
> stuff..Is there a group address for the Metro EC's?
> > I need to get some help drummed up for the Christmas Parade.
> > Tim Kc4ELV
> >
> >
>
>Steve W4CNG

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# 98. More info on parade

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2003-11-16 22:41:57 UTC
From: David Ziskind, KE4QLH
Topic: 98  Message: 98

More details on the parade. Please send Tim an email if you are interested.

73,
David

The Healthcare of Atlanta Parade (formerly Egleston Christmas Parade) will
be held DEC 6th in downtown Atlanta. We will need between 20 and 40
operators to shadow parade coordinators, officials, police, tv crew, and
parade route assignments. The breakfast will be at 6:30AM in the Congress
Center. The parade usually ends around 11:30.am. Please promote this in
your local ARES groups. Please we need the help!

And as usual, theres a Tee-shirt in it for participants! Please send an
email to me to sign up at <mailto:KC4ELV@...>KC4ELV@.... This
is a worthwhile event for us to support as well as being a great training
event for ARES operations. Thanks,
Tim Rosing KC4ELV EC-Rockdale County.

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# 99. Fwd: CHAC PARADE DEC ^

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2003-12-03 02:24:38 UTC
From: David Ziskind, KE4QLH
Topic: 99  Message: 99
Attachments: 1 described; binary payloads are missing from this source WARC

Please email Tim if you are interested in volunteering: kc4elv@...

73,
David

>From: Tim <kc4elv@...>
>To: stevehammond@..., KE4QLH@..., rbaker4@...,
> rbutler322@..., steve.garrison@..., tony.king@...,
> rbaker4@..., WA4DYD@..., W4JFL@...,
> wmasseng@...
>CC: AF4FO@..., W4cng@..., ko4wx@...
>Subject: CHAC PARADE DEC ^
>Date: Mon, 1 Dec 2003 14:42:01 -0500
>
>
>We are still needing volunteer radio operators for the parade THIS
>Saturday..Please pass along to your ARES Groups and try to recruit some
>help.. It will be much appreciated. It looks like we are going to be
>short from the look of sign-ups.
>Tim Rosing EC Rockdale
>
>Info attached..
>
>

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# 100. Fwd: [gaares] Georgia Section ARES Annual Meeting, 1/31/04, 1PM to 4PM

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2003-12-22 22:38:48 UTC
From: David Ziskind, KE4QLH
Topic: 100  Message: 100

FYI.

-David

>X-Apparently-To: dziskind@... via 216.136.130.157; Mon, 22 Dec 2003
>07:10:25 -0800
>Delivered-To: gaares@...
>X-Sender: ko4wx@...
>X-Mailer: QUALCOMM Windows Eudora Version 5.0.2
>To: gaares@..., "GA Section ARES DEC's": ;
>From: "Michael C. Boatright" <ko4wx@...>
>Cc: AF4fo@...
>Subject: [gaares] Georgia Section ARES Annual Meeting, 1/31/04, 1PM to 4PM
>Sender: gaares-admin@...
>X-BeenThere: gaares@...
>X-Mailman-Version: 2.0.11
>List-Help: <mailto:gaares-request@...?subject=help>
>List-Post: <mailto:gaares@...>
>List-Subscribe: <https://www.thestrongclan.com/mailman/listinfo/gaares>,
> <mailto:gaares-request@...?subject=subscribe>
>List-Id: GA section ARES list for all members <gaares.thestrongclan.com>
>List-Unsubscribe: <https://www.thestrongclan.com/mailman/listinfo/gaares>,
> <mailto:gaares-request@...?subject=unsubscribe>
>List-Archive: <https://www.thestrongclan.com/pipermail/gaares/>
>Date: Mon, 22 Dec 2003 10:04:07 -0500
>
>
>All,
>
>The Georgia Section Amateur Radio Emergency Service will be conducting our
>annual meeting on January 31, 2004 from 1PM EST to 4PM EST at the Georgia
>Public Service Training Center (GPSTC) in Forsyth, GA. Please put this
>date on your calendar.
>
>Special thanks go to Bill Carter, KG4FXG, DEC GEMA for arranging this
>meeting and for GEMA who will be our hosts.
>
>If you have any suggestions for topics for the technical portion of the
>program, please send your proposals to me, and copy your DEC and EC (if
>appropriate).
>
>Hope everyone has a very safe and happy holiday season. Look forward to
>seeing you all again in the new year!
>

>73 de Mike Boatright, GA Section EC
>Michael C. Boatright
>
>_____
>gaares mailing list
>gaares@...
>https://www.thestrongclan.com/mailman/listinfo/gaares
>

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# 101. Fwd: Another terrific volunteer opportunity

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2004-05-25 01:04:58 UTC
From: David Ziskind, KE4QLH
Topic: 101  Message: 101

Hey all -

I am looking for someone take over my position as communications coordinator for the Georgia Games. There is more information below. Please contact me ASAP if you are interested. Please feel free to forward to any other lists or people you think may be interested.

Thanks,
David

>communications for the Georgia Games every year since 2000, and under
>his leadership, hams have become an essential part of the Games'
>success. The fact is, the Games have become highly dependent on ham
>radio, as it is the only reliable, and sometimes the ONLY means of
>communication at an event.
>unfortunately, the time has come for David to pass this coordination job
>on to someone new. He asked that I put out an appeal in an attempt to
>find that someone new. It would be a great loss if amateur radio had to
>be dropped from these events.
>surrounding states, was begun in 1990 as a legacy event for the '96
>Olympic. (More info can be found at http://www.georgiagames.org/) This
>year, events run from July 8th to 18th, mostly in Cobb county, in the
>Acworth and Marietta areas, but with venues extending into surrounding
>areas like Atlanta, Gainesville, Norcross and Clayton county. David says
>that the events have scaled down tremendously over the years, and he
>thinks it would be an excellent "starter" event for someone interested
>in learning how to handle the coordination of communications efforts for
>an event. And what's more, he would even be willing to remain active
>this year to provide assistance and guidance, with the hope that this
>year's volunteer coordinator would then be prepared to lead the efforts
>on their own in the years ahead.
>certain "perks" to this coordinator's position, too, like polo shirts,
>occasional dinners and parties, and since the Games are part of the GA
>DNR, even occasional invitations to some top level legislative events.
>please get in touch with David at ke4qlh@... Let's not let David,
>or the Games, down....
>of yourselves. And each other. 73, Susan

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# 102. Fwd: Level III EC-003 Seats Available

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2004-06-24 18:33:55 UTC
From: David Ziskind, KE4QLH
Topic: 102  Message: 102

FYI if you are looking for EC-003.

-David

>LEVEL II Graduates:
>
>If you have been putting off taking Level III, now's your chance to
>enroll. We currently have seats left in the Level III class which will
>begin on Tuesday, July 6.
>
>To register, go online to
><https://www.arrl.org/forms/cce>https://www.arrl.org/forms/cce.
>
>Have a great Field Day!! Watch for W1AW/90.
>
>73,
>
>Dan Miller, K3UFG
>Emergency Communications Course Manager
>dmiller@...
>(860) 594-0340
>FAX: 800-594-0259
>

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# 103. Metro Atlanta ARES Drill on Aug 14, 9-11am

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2004-08-04 22:13:49 UTC
From: David Ziskind, KE4QLH
Topic: 103  Message: 103

There will be a Metro Atlanta ARES drill on Saturday, August 14. Since I am one of the drill 'creators', I am looking for someone to serve as the designated emergency coordinator during the drill. Please let me know ASAP if you are interested.

thanks,
David

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# 104. Drill next Saturday (Aug 14)

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2004-08-08 13:19:47 UTC
From: David Ziskind, KE4QLH
Topic: 104  Message: 104

There is a Metro Atlanta ARES drill next Saturday, 9-11am. I really need someone to be the acting EC during the drill, as I was involved in designing it. Please let me know ASAP!

Thanks,
David

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## 105. No Drill Saturday...

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2004-08-13 04:02:08 UTC
From: David Ziskind, KE4QLH
Topic: 105  Message: 105

The Metro Atlanta ARES Drill scheduled for this Saturday has been cancelled due to a pending weather event. When we have a rescheduled date, I will let you know.

Thanks,
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# 106. Fwd: [Gaares] URGENT: North Florida Section Requesting Amateur Operators

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2004-09-05 03:02:06 UTC
From: David Ziskind, KE4QLH
Topic: 106  Message: 106

FYI. North Fulton ARES members, please contact me if you are available as per the request below.

-David

>Folks,
>
>I have just spoken with Nils Millergren, WA4NDA, Section EC of the North
>Florida Section. We have formally been requested to provide amateur radio
>operator support in Florida. At the present time, they need:
>
>- 21 operators in Lake County
>- 20 operators in Indian River County
>- 22 operators in Osceola County
>- 12 operators in Hardee County
>
>These are formal assignments requested by Florida EMA. You will be covered
>by the State of Florida for liability insurance and workman's
>compensation. You should keep receipts for meals and gasoline while you
>travel, because we expect that you will be reimbursed for these
>expenses. Housing and shelter will be provided, although I believe that
>you may bring your recreational vehicle for personal accommodations.
>
>The specific request for assistance is for 3 days, beginning tomorrow, if
>possible. It does not look like the storm will clear Florida by tomorrow,
>and we will have to carefully coordinate any travel into the affected area
>to avoid putting amateurs in harms way.
>
>All amateurs will be required to have an assigned "tracking number"
>assigned by the Florida EMA, which I have been given by Nils and will
>provide to you when you are dispatched to the affected area. In addition,
>you will need to bring the following:
>
>- Your ARES ID and government issued photo ID
>- a copy of your amateur radio license
>- your 72 hour "jump kit"
>- HF (if at all possible) and VHF (2M/440) mobile or handy-talkie with
>magnetic mount antenna.
>
>I urgently need a count of Georgia ARES members who are able to commit to
>3 days to support the folks down in Florida. EC001 training is preferred
>but not required. DEC's, EC's, PLEASE poll all of your members, right
>away, and identify those who can travel to Florida as early as
>tomorrow. I am asking ALL DEC's to report back to me by 1000EDT tomorrow

>identifying all who can help. I realize that this is short notice, but
>the request from the Florida EMA is urgent, and particularly in Lake
>County, operators are needed immediately.
>
>73 de Mike Boatright, KO4WX
>Michael C. Boatright
>
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>GAARES@...
>http://gaares.org/mailman/listinfo/gaares_gaares.org
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# 107. Frances update

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2004-09-07 14:35:22 UTC
From: David Ziskind, KE4QLH
Topic: 107  Message: 107

Good morning -

At this time, Fulton County is dealing with downed trees, power lines, and some power loss, but communications services have not been significantly impacted. However, now is always a good time to check radios, equipment, supplies, etc. Our friend Ivan is still churning in the Atlantic, and it looks like we'll have to wait a few more days until we can get a more accurate forecast for the area.

In other news, we are working on scheduling a 'work day' with Alpharetta Fire to get their antennas up and station set up. It will probably be end of September / beginning of October, but hopefully we will have a date shortly. Also, we are working on putting together a Community Emergency Response Team (CERT) course from the city of Alpharetta. I'll keep you posted...

73,
David

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# 108. Fwd: Level I, ARECC Registration Now Open

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2004-09-07 21:29:20 UTC
From: David Ziskind, KE4QLH
Topic: 108  Message: 108

FYI. I strongly encourage you to take this course if you have not already!

-David

>Amateur Radio Emergency Communications Course Registration
>
>Registration for the ARRL Amateur Radio Emergency Communications Level I
>on-line course (EC-001) opened on Monday, September 6, and remains open
>through the September 11-12 weekend or until all available seats have been
>filled--whichever comes first. Class begins Friday, September 24.
>Seniors are strongly encouraged to participate.
>
>Thanks to our grant sponsors--the Corporation for National and Community
>Service and the United Technologies Corporation--the $45 registration fee
>paid upon enrollment will be reimbursed after successful completion of the
>course. During this registration period, seats are being offered to ARRL
>members on a first-come, first-served basis.
>
>To learn more, visit the ARRL Certification and Continuing Education Web
>page <<<http://www.arrl.org/cce>>>. For more information, contact
>Emergency Communications Course Manager Dan Miller, K3UFG, 860-594-0340 or
>send your query to cce@....

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# 109. Fwd: [Gaares] FW: Final year of Homeland Security-sponsored ARECC

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2004-09-09 15:32:14 UTC
From: David Ziskind, KE4QLH
Topic: 109  Message: 109

This is the final year of EmComm courses that are 'free'...so please do
take advantage of the opportunity! Includes EmComm 1-3!

-David

>FYI. All ARES DEC's, EC's AEC's and ARES members should avail themselves of
>this education while it is still funded.
>
>73 de Mike, KO4WX
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>-----Original Message-----
>From: ARRL Field & Educational Services [mailto:memberlist@...]
>Sent: Thursday, September 09, 2004 11:07 AM
>To: ko4wx-1@...
>Subject: Final year of Homeland Security-sponsored ARECC
>
>To: SMs, SECs, STMs, DECs, ECs, NMs:
>
>Final year of Homeland Security-sponsored ARECC
>
>The strength of amateur radio today lies in our capabilities to provide a
>strong, trained, unified network of emergency communicators. We must be
>ready, willing and able to serve, regardless of the cause. Training is
>crucial to our success!
>
>Effective September 7, ARRL has received approval to move into the third and
>final year of grant-sponsored training from the Corporation for National and
>Community Service under the Department of Homeland Security. Men and women
>55 and over bring skills, knowledge and a lifetime of experience to the
>table that is not available otherwise. Tracking of statistics in this and
>other federal grant-sponsored programs has proven the tremendous benefits of
>senior volunteers. We have been tasked with reaching out to even more
>seniors for our final grant year.
>
>The future of Amateur Radio depends in part on the public service
>involvement of interested hams, including the ARESR Field Organization
>leadership. With your assistance and guidance, Amateur Radio will continue
>to serve our communities and our great nation as we always have. Now,
>however, we have better training opportunities, we are stronger in number,
>and we have state-of-the-art digital tools.
>
>Many members of our field organization teams are seniors (over 54), and some
>have not yet taken advantage of this training opportunity. Please encourage
>everyone - especially seniors - to take the Level I course. With full
>reimbursement of the registration fee for ARRL members, the training is

>virtually free ... for one more year!
>
>The demand for trained Amateur Radio operators continues to grow at a
>phenomenal rate. Step forward and help us answer the call. If you have not
>yet enrolled, consider doing so now before time runs out. If you've already
>taken Level I, spread the word about your learning experience. Invite others
>to take Level I while you further your knowledge by taking Level II.
>
>All ARRL emergency communications courses - Level I, II and III - are
>reimbursable for ARRL members. Don't put it off. You might miss out
>altogether!
>
>Reminder: 12:01 AM Eastern Time on the first Monday of every month, Level I
>online course registration opens - for seniors and non-seniors alike.
>(https://www.arrl.org/forms/cce) Registration is also available through
>regular mail. Send your check or money order to ARRL, ATTN CCE, 225 Main
>Street, Newington, CT 06111. In the comment section, write EC001 (for Level
>I) or the designator for the course you wish to enroll in. IF YOU ARE 55 OR
>OVER, PLEASE WRITE "SENIOR" NEXT TO THE COURSE DESIGNATOR. Your name will be
>added to the next available class for that course. If you hold a field
>organization appointment, please add that title in the comment section.
>Field appointees move to the top of the list. Make sure to include your
>preferred e-mail address, telephone number, age and whether you are a
>veteran. Missing information will delay processing.
>
>Remember, "Amateur Radio is the only reliable, failsafe emergency
>communications service in the world that is available when all other
>communications lines are down!"
>
>Please help ARRL, the national association for Amateur Radio, complete an
>extremely productive 3-year Homeland Security training grant on a successful
>note. In so doing, you are reinforcing the lifeblood of Amateur Radio -
>emergency communications.
>
>Thank you!
>
>Dan Miller, K3UFG
>Emergency Communications Course Grant Manager
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# 110. Fwd: ARECC, Level II, Registration (opens at MIDNIGHT)

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2004-09-13 01:58:47 UTC
From: David Ziskind, KE4QLH
Topic: 110  Message: 110

>Amateur Radio Emergency Communications Course Registration
>
>Registration for the ARRL Amateur Radio Emergency Communications Level II
>on-line course (EC-002) opens Monday, September 13, at 1201 AM EDT and
>will remain open through the September 18-19 weekend or until all
>available seats have been filled--whichever comes first. Class begins
>Friday, October 1.
>
>Thanks to our grant sponsors--the Corporation for National and Community
>Service and the United Technologies Corporation--the $45 registration fee
>paid upon enrollment will be reimbursed after successful completion of the
>course. Seniors are strongly encouraged to participate. During this
>registration period, seats are being offered to ARRL members on a
>first-come, first-served basis.
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>To learn more, visit the ARRL Certification and Continuing Education Web
>page http://www.arrl.org/cce. For more information, contact Emergency
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# 111. Ivan outlook

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2004-09-14 03:11:35 UTC
From: David Ziskind, KE4QLH
Topic: 111  Message: 111

Good evening...

Just wanted to check in with everyone. Here is the latest Ivan track:
http://www.nhc.noaa.gov/ftp/graphics/AT09/refresh/AL0904W5%2BGIF/070303W5.gif

As of 5pm, it showed a tropical storm tracked right on Atlanta. As of 10pm, it shows a depression that seems to be running west of us. There's no telling where it will actually go! If you've got HF, listening to the Hurricane Watch Net can be neat sometimes. 14.325 MHz, on the web at http://www.hwn.org.

Tony W4ZT, EC South Fulton; Steve, W4CNG; and I are keeping in close contact with our served agencies regarding their needs during this time. Right now, we are simply monitoring and are prepared to address their needs.

This email is just a friendly reminder to charge up those batteries, check the antennas, etc. Also, regarding our 'pageout' list. I know most of you have the ARES pagers that we got several years ago. Pages will continue to go to them, but I have a distribution list set up so that if you have a cell phone, blackberry, or other device you want the messages sent to, we can accommodate that! Just let me know the address...the only requirement is that it is an email address! It will be for short messages only.

As an aside, amateur radio has been getting some good publicity lately in the Atlanta area. A Georgia Tech Amateur Radio Club member was on channel 11 Friday, I appeared on channel 5 Saturday, and I understand Mike Boatright KO4WX (SEC) appeared this evening on channel 46. Even in today's world with all sorts of fancy communications systems, it's quite clear that amateur radio is robust and can handle just about anything!

73,
David

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# 112. Fwd: H. Ivan Response

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2004-09-16 19:55:18 UTC
From: David Ziskind, KE4QLH
Topic: 112  Message: 112

If you are available to support Red Cross shelter efforts today, tomorrow, or Saturday, please forward me your availability. Also include a phone number, email address, or other contact info.

Thanks,
David

>Gentlemen-
>
>As you are probably aware, the Section ARES has been activated.
>
>Please advise ASAP your personnel count that is available for deployment.
>I am confident that we will be getting requests from the Red Cross as they
>open shelters.
>
>Additionally, any Fulton ARES EC(s) that have the availability of Red
>Cross trained operators, please forward me their contact info and your
>recommendation as to their utilization as liasion operators at the Atlanta
>Chapter office on Monroe Drive.They must have the necessary equipment to
>set up and operate from that location, even if its done from their
>vehicle. They must be able to hit the 146.880 machine as well as the
>146.820 machine.
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>de W4RBB
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>Bob Butler
>DEC Red Cross

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# 113. Fwd: H. Ivan Response

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2004-09-16 19:16:34 UTC
From: David Ziskind, KE4QLH
Topic: 112  Message: 113

Is anyone 'red cross trained'?

Thanks,
David

>Gentlemen-
>
>As you are probably aware, the Section ARES has been activated.
>
>Please advise ASAP your personnel count that is available for deployment.
>I am confident that we will be getting requests from the Red Cross as they
>open shelters.
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>Additionally, any Fulton ARES EC(s) that have the availability of Red
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# 114. Fwd: RADAR... the better way

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2004-09-16 21:05:39 UTC
From: David Ziskind, KE4QLH
Topic: 114  Message: 114

This comes from South Fulton EC Tony W4ZT. What a neat product! I followed his instructions, then started playing around with it on my own!

Bob, please post a link to our website.

Also, here is the latest projected track from the National Hurricane Center:
http://www.nhc.noaa.gov/ftp/graphics/AT09/refresh/AL0904W5+GIF/161503W5.gif

73,
David

>This is a piece of software that polls the NWS for data and displays it
>along with other information you select. You will find that it has some
>distinct advantages over most of the web based views. I've been watching
>Mobile RADAR on the 248 nautical mile range.
>
>Get the program here:
><http://www.grlevelx.com/grlevel3/>
>
>It's free...
>
>Download GRW88Level3_setup.exe which is the setup program.
>
>Also download GRW88Level3.exe which is the latest program file (right now
>they are the same.
>
>Run the setup program and then copy the GRW88Level3.exe over the installed
>file. (today makes no diff but you can update the program by just
>downloading this file and copying over the old one)
>
>Run the program.
>Click on products.
>Select Base Reflectivity 248nm.
>Click products again.
>Select Storm Attributes.
>Click products again.
>Select Warnings.
>
>Click Site, then select.
> From the list pick KMOB which is Mobile, AL
>Click ok
>
>in the overlays window, select Storm Tracks and Mesos
>in the warnings window, select Thunderstorm and Tornado
>

>This automatically retrieves the information and keeps the picture up to date.
>
>To put it in motion, click the play button at the top!
>
>Play with it and let me know what you think of it.
>
>Tony
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>

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# 115. GEMA operators?

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2004-09-29 12:10:12 UTC
From: David Ziskind, KE4QLH
Topic: 115  Message: 115

The GEMA ham station is looking to expand its network of trained operators. During the last few hurricanes we have been stretched somewhat thin...the idea is to pull a few operators from each of the Metro Atlanta groups. There is no 'formal' commitment, but the hope is that out of the pool of operators, we could manage to get coverage without one individual having to work multiple shifts.

Basically, all equipment is in place. They are located off the Boulevard exit off I-20. The station is located in the comms center, separate from the hustle and bustle of the actual operations center. If this sounds like something you are potentially interested in, please let me know.

Thanks,
David

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# 116. Fwd: Level I, ARECC, Registration Still Open

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2004-10-05 19:17:29 UTC
From: David Ziskind, KE4QLH
Topic: 116  Message: 116

FYI

-David

>Amateur Radio Emergency Communications Course Registration
>
>Registration for the ARRL Amateur Radio Emergency Communications Level I
>on-line course (EC-001) is still open. There are still some seats
>available. Registration will remain open through the October 9-10 weekend
>or until all available seats have been filled--whichever comes first.
>Class begins Friday, October 22. Seniors are strongly encouraged to
>participate.
>
>Thanks to our grant sponsors--the Corporation for National and Community
>Service and the United Technologies Corporation--the $45 registration fee
>paid upon enrollment will be reimbursed after successful completion of the
>course. During this registration period, seats are being offered to ARRL
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# 117. Alpharetta Fire - Antenna party and CERT classes

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2004-10-26 19:09:37 UTC
From: David Ziskind, KE4QLH
Topic: 117  Message: 117

Hi all -

Alpharetta Fire purchased some amateur radio equipment about a year ago, and they really want to get their station up and running! Are Sundays a possibility? Let me know what you think of either Nov 14 or Nov 21. The big challenge is going to be getting their HF antenna up in some trees (we cannot get a truck back there, so I'm guess we'd have to slingshot / bow and arrow), as well as running the feed lines. I think if we can get 5 people, we can do it in a half-day. So let me know if either of those dates work, and if you have a preference for morning / afternoon.

Next item of business is the CERT (Civilian Emergency Response Team(?)) courses I mentioned a few months ago. Alpharetta has already run two courses, and are anxious to get us involved. Total contact time is about 18 hours - one group did an all day Friday/Saturday/Sunday, another group did three consecutive Saturdays, and a current course is being offered on a weeknight for 6 weeks. They are willing to be flexible with us, and they really want to have a good showing. In answer to a question someone asked a while ago, you do not have to live in the city to participate. All are welcome. In fact, I may open it up to other ARES groups. So, what is your preference? I know things get busy towards December, but I think it would be great to get this accomplished before the end of the year. Do you think maybe we could do a Saturday/Sunday and then the following Saturday, or something like that? Suggestion on dates? Again, please let me know.

Thanks,
David

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# 118. Fwd: Registration for Level I, ARECC.

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2004-10-28 03:06:27 UTC
From: David Ziskind, KE4QLH
Topic: 118  Message: 118

>Amateur Radio Emergency Communications Course Registration
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>Registration for the ARRL Amateur Radio Emergency Communications Level I
>on-line course (EC-001) opens Monday, November 1, at 12:01 AM EST and will
>remain open through the November 6-7 weekend or until all available seats
>have been filled--whichever comes first. Class begins Friday, November 26.
>Seniors are strongly encouraged to participate.
>
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>Service and the United Technologies Corporation--the $45 registration fee
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# 119. Re: [nfares] Alpharetta Fire - Antenna party and CERT classes

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2004-11-02 00:54:23 UTC
From: David Ziskind, KE4QLH
Topic: 117  Message: 119

Ok, right now we are set for Sunday, Nov 21, 12-5pm, at Alpharetta Fire HQ (Directions to come closer to the 21st). The following people indicated they would be available on that date: Mike Cole KI4CTG, Bob Beeman K4BB, Ronny Julian K4RJJ, Becky Roberts KF4SLZ, Steve Reynolds W4CNG. We will need a slingshot or bow/arrow to get the antenna in the trees. K4BB?

Please add this date to your calendar. We should be fine with the 5 people who indicated they could come, but you are still welcome to come out!

More info on CERT to follow soon.

73,
David

At 02:09 PM 10/26/2004, David Ziskind, KE4QLH wrote:

>Hi all -
>
>Alpharetta Fire purchased some amateur radio equipment about a year ago,
>and they really want to get their station up and running! Are Sundays a
>possibility? Let me know what you think of either Nov 14 or Nov 21. The
>big challenge is going to be getting their HF antenna up in some trees (we
>cannot get a truck back there, so I'm guess we'd have to slingshot / bow
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>Thanks,
>David

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# 120. Fwd: Atlanta Parade-help needed!

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2004-11-12 02:16:39 UTC
From: David Ziskind, KE4QLH
Topic: 120  Message: 120

Great public service opportunity. Please email Tim as per below.

73,
David

>The annual Childrens Healthcare of Atlanta Parade(Egleston Christmas
>Parade) will be held Dec 4th in Atlanta. Please announce to your ARES
>group that we are needing volunteers to shaddow the parade organizers and
>staff areas for communications needs for the parade. We have had a lot of
>fun helping this worthwhile cause and used it as a training exercise as
>well. Most of the positions will need a hand-held and be mobile(foot) or
>on scooter. Please get names or have them email me at KC4ELV@...
>with a email contact and shirt size for a tee-shirt. Breakfast will also
>be included(continental) if you are there early enough. Starting briefing
>is usually at 6:30 and goes until 12. Please help recruit as many as possible.
>Thanks,
>Tim Rosing KC4ELV Communications Coordinator.

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# 121. Alpharetta Fire work day

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2004-11-18 21:23:14 UTC
From: David Ziskind, KE4QLH
Topic: 121  Message: 121

Just a reminder about the work day we have set up at Alpharetta Fire this Sunday, Nov 21, 12-5pm. We have 5 people so far who plan to attend: Mike Cole KI4CTG, Bob Beeman K4BB, Ronny Julian K4RJJ, Becky Roberts KF4SLZ, and Steve Reynolds W4CNG. Anyone else, please feel free to come and help out! We'll be listening on 145.470-. Bring whatever tools you have that you might think may be useful...we will be setting up a dipole, a vertical, and running cables into the facility.

Alpharetta Fire HQ is located at 2970 Webb Bridge Road, Alpharetta GA 30004. From GA 400, exit #10, head east on 120. Take a left onto Morris Road, then a left on Webb Bridge Road. The fire house is on your right, and HQ is behind the firehouse...just go all the way back.

Thanks,
David

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# 122. Alpharetta Fire antenna party and CERT update

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2004-11-29 00:49:05 UTC
From: David Ziskind, KE4QLH
Topic: 122  Message: 122

Hi all -

Hope everyone had a great Thanksgiving!

First thing is I wanted to update everyone on the Nov 21 work party at Alpharetta Fire. I think we had about 8-10 people show up, which was fantastic. We got the radio situated in their operations center, got two coax feeds run (HF and VHF/UHF), and got a VHF/UHF vertical installed and tested. We need to get back there at some point and string the HF dipole between trees. I will let you know when we're able to schedule something.

Next is CERT training, which I have previously mentioned. You can read more on the program at http://training.fema.gov/EMIWeb/CERT/certfaq.asp. We have set up training in January on the 2nd, 3rd, and 4th Saturdays (Jan 8, 15, and 22). The training will probably be ~8 hours each day. Capt. Jim Cheatham has indicated he will teach these classes himself. The ultimate goal is to have trained volunteers available to help in their operations center during storms and other events. You do NOT have to reside in Alpharetta to participate in this training! The classes on these dates are being held exclusively for us, and as such, Capt. Cheatham has requested that we have a minimum of 15 people undergo the training. So, I would like to get an idea as far as interest. Ideally, I would like to have all trainees come from North Fulton; however, I also plan to invite ECs from Metro Atlanta to participate and bring ideas back to their groups.

Please let me know if you can commit to these three training dates.

Thanks,
David

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# 123. Atlanta Fulton work party and Alpharetta CERT training

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2004-12-22 05:05:43 UTC
From: David Ziskind
Topic: 123  Message: 123

Hi all -

There is a work party in the works at the Atlanta Fulton County EMA for January 8 around 10am. It will probably be 2-4 hours. They have relocated the radios, so it will be a matter of splicing and re-routing coax. Possibly some antenna or other work. If you are interested, please contact Tony King W4ZT, the Metro Atlanta DEC, at tony.king@....

I am still waiting to talk to Capt. Cheatham at Alpharetta about the CERT training, but based on response, I think we are going to postpone it for a time when things are less hectic and we can get more members involved.

One quick thought. I am looking for someone to replace me as EC. If you are interested, I would be happy to answer any questions. You can also contact Tony or Steve Reynolds W4CNG.

Finally, I will be out of the country Dec 26 - Jan 7 and do not plan to check email and voicemail during that time. FYI.

73,
David KE4QLH

# 124. Fwd: CERT training for amateur radio

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2004-12-25 04:10:08 UTC
From: David Ziskind
Topic: 124  Message: 124

Hi, here is an option for CERT training. Ideally, we'd like to hold out and get together a CERT class just for ARES after January. But if you'd like to take this class now, give Lt. Robinson a call as mentioned in the email below.

73,
David

Lt. Robinson is holding a class that starts January 10th for 8 weeks. It will be on Monday nights from 1800-2100. Anybody that wants to attend now should call him at 678-297-6293.

We can hold off for the ARES specific class until later. I would like to see no fewer than 15 in a class. We can work out the details with Lt. Robinson at a later date.

Thanks,
Jim

Captain J.D. Cheatham
Special Operations/ Emergency Management

# 125. Fwd: AFCEMA work party Saturday

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2005-01-06 06:32:45 UTC
From: David Ziskind
Topic: 125  Message: 125

Please respond to Tony King <tony.king@...> if interested.

Thanks,
David

Last call...

Looking for anyone interested in joining the work party scheduled for this Saturday morning, January 8, at 10:00.

Right now I have Ronny Julian, K4RJJ, from North Fulton, Sam, N4MAP, possibly Rick, KC4YHM, and myself.

Lunch will be provided (likely subs) and we'll do the work, discuss the situation there and for those that haven't seen the facility, you'll get the tour, possibly including the roof and the pending antenna work.

If there's anyone else that's interested, please let me know no later than Thursday evening. I need to let them know how many folks and how many vehicles will be there. We WILL have inside free parking provided

Thanks for your support.

73, Tony W4ZT
770-964-0513 home
404-644-3097 cell

# 126. Fwd: AFCEMA work party 1/8/05 - PLEASE READ

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2005-01-09 14:50:57 UTC
From: David Ziskind
Topic: 126  Message: 126

Update on the work party yesterday at AFCEMA.

Please also see the last paragraph regarding the statewide ARES meeting next Saturday (1/15) as well as the pre-meeting lunch.

73,
David

Today we had our work party downtown at Atlanta Fulton County Emergency Management Agency (AFCEMA). Participating were Ronny, K4RJJ, from Cobb ARES, Sam, N4MAP, South Fulton ARES, Steve, W4CNG, ADEC, and myself.

We re-routed all the coax cables from the old communications room, now a large conference room, to the new communications room which was the small conference room.

The Alinco DR620 is on the air now using the existing Diamond dual band antenna. We have all the filters and watt meters in place for both the DR-620 and the FT-897 radios. All the power distribution is hooked up and tested. We found one bad coax connector on the coax going to our existing antenna and swapped that one out. We had to build 5 coax jumpers to extend coax into the new location.

We made a survey of the roof one more time and have a plan for using Unistrut material and clamps to make up a horizontal span of about 35 feet with Rohn 25G tower sections between "A" frame buildings on the roof. This will be used as a large antenna mounting structure. In addition to the two Diamond dual band antennas, we will also clamp a vertical mast extending about 20 feet above the roof to support the multi-band HF dipole which will be primarily for 80 and 40 meters. Other antennas belonging to AFCEMA will occupy spots on the structure as well. We will have to do all the installation work ourselves. We will install a copper buss bar for grounding just inside the building where all feedlines will go through surge protectors.

We will be getting pricing soon so we can get the funding from AFCEMA for the parts and then work with mother nature to establish a good Saturday for a really interesting antenna party.

I hope that more of you will be interested in participating on that day. We will certainly be able to use your help! AFCEMA is our served agency. They coordinate the activities within Fulton County and Atlanta. Their Emergency Operations Center is state of the art and is a primary focal point when things begin happening.

Remember, the monthly SFARES meeting is this Monday evening at 18:30 at the Piccadilly Cafeteria.

Remember, we have a net EVERY Tuesday evening at 20:00 local time on 146.625 MHz. Please check in.

Reminder, the State ARES Meeting is NEXT Saturday, January 15th. Everyone is invited! Metro Atlanta EC's AND members will be gathering for BBQ at 11:00 in Forsyth at a place called "This Little Piggy", a BBQ place. It is #23 on the detailed map given at this URL: <http://www.state.ga.us/gpstc/pdf/forsyth.pdf>. Come go with me!

73, Tony W4ZT
EC SFARES, DEC Metro ATL ARES
770-964-0513 home
404-644-3097 cell

Being prepared is no accident
Training doesn't happen by itself
Talking to yourself doesn't share information

# 127. Fwd: Emergency Communications Course Registration

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2005-02-09 01:10:20 UTC
From: David Ziskind, KE4QLH
Topic: 127  Message: 127

>Registration for Level I, Emergency Communications Course
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>Registration for the ARRL Amateur Radio Emergency Communications Level I
>on-line course (EC-001) opened Monday, February 7, 2005, and will remain
>open until all available seats have been filled or through the February
>12-13 weekend. Class begins Friday, February 25. Radio amateurs 55 and up
>are strongly encouraged to participate.
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>Thanks to our grant sponsors--the Corporation for National and Community
>Service and the United Technologies Corporation--the $45 registration fee
>paid upon enrollment will be reimbursed after successful completion of the
>course. This is the final year of grant-subsidized courses! During this
>registration period, seats are being offered to ARRL members on a
>first-come, first-served basis. To learn more, visit the ARRL
>Certification and Continuing Education Web page. For more information,
>contact Emergency Communications Course Manager Dan Miller, K3UFG,
>cce@...; 860-594-0340.
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>Level II Registration Opens Monday, February 14, at 12:01 AM.
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>For those of you who have already taken EC-001, the next opportunity to
>sign up for Level II of the Amateur Radio Emergency Communications course
>is Monday, February 14, at 12:01 AM EST. This registration period will
>remain open until all available seats have been filled or through the
>February 19-20 weekend --whichever comes first. Class begins Friday, March 4.

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# 128. Fwd: GEORGIA SECTION ON MY MIND March, 2005

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2005-03-02 00:44:38 UTC
From: David Ziskind, KE4QLH
Topic: 128  Message: 128

If you haven't taken the EmComm courses, now is a great time (if you want to do it for free).

-David

>----> GRANT-SPONSORED REIMBURSEMENT ENDING. This news comes to us from
>DAN MILLER, K3UFG. (And it isn't like you haven't been warned!!!!)
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>Please help us spread the word that our grants are ending this year. In
>June, the last seat to be offered under the Corporation for National and
>Community Service (CNCS)-sponsored grant will open. After that, only a
>small number of reimbursable seats in each course will be offered under
>the United Technologies Corporation (UTC) grant through October.
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> At this time, no further grant-sponsored reimbursement for EmComm
>course students is on the horizon.
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>The monthly registration calendar is found online at
><http://www.arrl.org/cce/calendar.html>. Registration can be done
>on-line during the applicable registration window at
><https://www.arrl.org/forms/cce/>. As stated at
><http://www.arrl.org/cce/courses.html>, registration via regular mail is
>also an option. Please include the course you wish to enroll in, your
>age group, gender, veteran status, preferred email address, and
>telephone number.
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> This has been a very successful program, thanks chiefly to the support
>and participation of the ARRL Field Organization. We sincerely
>appreciate your efforts and hope that with your continued support, these
>grants will conclude on a successful note.
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> If you have any additional questions, please send them to cce@...
><mailto:cce@...>.

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# 129. Hams Needed for Sandy Springs "Turtle Trot Parade"

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2005-03-27 01:57:58 UTC
From: Lee Juckett
Topic: 129  Message: 129

Hams Needed for Sandy Springs ?Turtle Trot Parade?

Please help support the ?Turtle Trot Parade? in Sandy Springs on Saturday April 16. We need about 15 communicators to help coordinate parade participants in the staging area, parade route and disband area. Assignments will include ?shadowing? parade organizers, net control, reporting on parade progress, and watching the parade. It will be a fun family event, so bring your spouse, kids, neighbors, and other hams!

Please let me know if you can help by replying to this email. I will send out more information the week before the event.

This marks the debut of the Town Turtles of Sandy Springs - a major fund raising project for local charities developed by The Sandy Springs Society and sponsored by the Northside Hospital Foundation . You can learn more about the project at http://www.sandysprings.org/society/turtles.html. The turtle design was conceived by internationally recognized cartoonist and Sandy Springs resident Jack Elrod (?Mark Trail?), who is also the Grand Marshall of the parade. Each of the turtles has been sponsored by a local business.

The parade will include 75 five-foot tall painted turtles (similar to the ?Cow Parade? in Chicago a few years ago), artists, turtle sponsors, a band, and local dignitaries. Also participating are several local public and private high schools, the National Charity League, Hands on Atlanta, and Leadership Sandy Springs. In addition, we expect CNN, the Guinness Book of Records, and a local radio station. After the parade, there will be a Town Turtle viewing area (so you can see them all up close), kids fence white-washing, cutting of a 5-foot chocolate turtle, and more.

Hams need to check-in at 7:00 AM in the parking lot by A Royal Affair Caf?, pick up your free T-shirt, food, and assignment. This caf? is in the Parkside Shopping Center (along with Tuesday Morning, Chicago Steakhouse, and Harry Norman Realtors). This shopping center is south of Whole Foods and across from the new Lowes on Roswell Road. The caf? faces Cliftwood, which is the 2nd street north of the I-285 perimeter, running from Roswell Road to Lake Forrest.

We will operate on 2-meter simplex at 147.535, so make sure you program your HT in advance. The parade steps off at 9:00 AM and will conclude at about 10:30 AM.

Please help support local charities by volunteering your ham expertise!

Thank you,
- Lee Juckett, AF4IA
af4ia@...

# 130. AEC appointment and update

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2005-04-01 01:48:32 UTC
From: David Ziskind, KE4QLH
Topic: 130  Message: 130

Hi all,

I recently appointed Steve Kemp, WB4CVB as AEC Administration for North Fulton ARES. As I've previously mentioned, I plan to step down as EC shortly due to time constraints. Tony King, W4ZT (Metro Atlanta DEC) and I have spoken with Steve and he has agreed to serve as EC when I step down. In the meantime, Steve will be getting up to speed on our served agencies, membership roster, etc.

Also, I'm in the process of scheduling another workday at Alpharetta Fire, to install the HF antenna that we were not able to put up in November. Hopefully that will be coming up soon in a few weeks. I'll keep you updated.

Lee Juckett AF4IA recently sent out an email about an upcoming public service opportunity. I hope some of you are able to help out! The event is Sat, April 16, and you can contact Lee at af4ia@... to volunteer.

73,
David

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# 131. GEMA volunteers

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2005-04-13 13:05:08 UTC
From: David Ziskind, KE4QLH
Topic: 131  Message: 131

Hi,

Please let me know if you're interested in part of the team that staffs the station at GEMA when they request assistance. We are looking to build the pool of volunteers. The facility is located near Confederate Ave. in east Atlanta, so please keep that in mind.

Thanks,
David

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Emergency Coordinator - North Fulton County (Georgia) A.R.E.S
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# 132. Fwd: Grant Nearing an End for EMCOMM Courses

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2005-04-25 01:18:46 UTC
From: David Ziskind, KE4QLH
Topic: 132  Message: 132

FYI...sign up soon if you want to take the emcomm courses for free!

73,
David

>Greetings from ARRL HQ.
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>This note of clarification is going to Section Emergency Coordinators,
>District Emergency Coordinators, Emergency Coordinators and Section
>Managers. Please feel free to pass the word along to others.
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>As you have likely heard in recent months, ARRL is now well into the final
>year of the grant-sponsored Amateur Radio Emergency Communication
>Courses. With this grant, the $45 registration fee paid upon enrollment
>will be reimbursed after successful completion of the course. At this
>time, it's only available to ARRL members.
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>Students need to enroll during the May or the June registration periods to
>be eligible for reimbursement under the Corporation for National and
>Community Service (CNCS) grant. That also means that students will need
>to have completed their course work, and their Mentor/Instructor must
>upgrade their student status at the ARRL Mentor/Instructor Site to
>"Passed" by August 31, 2005, to qualify for reimbursement from the CNCS grant.
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>Registration for the ARRL Amateur Radio Emergency Communications Level I
>on-line course (EC-001) opens Monday, May 2, 2005, at 12:01 AM EDT. Level
>II (EC-002) registration opens the same time on the following Monday, May
>9. Level III (EC-003) will also open at the same time, but on Monday, May
>16. On-line registration (and further information about the courses) is
>found at
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>http://www.arrl.org/cce.
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>ARRL members will be able to register for the remaining on-line course
>seats at the ARRL EXPO area of the ARRL National Convention at Dayton.
>Applications and payment via credit card, check or cash will be accepted there.
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>Registration by mail is also an option. Make the check or money order out
>to ARRL, and mail it to 225 Main Street, Newington, CT 06111.
>
>Please mark the envelope "ATTN: CCE." In the comment segment of the check
>or money order, write "CCE EC-00# Registration." # means the course
>number such as 1, 2, or 3.
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>Include your call sign, current mailing address, preferred e-mail address,

>age, gender and veteran status, and complete telephone number with your
>check or money order. Missing information will cause delays in
>registration, and there is no time left for delays.
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>For more information, contact Emergency Communications Course Manager Dan
>Miller, K3UFG, 860-594-0340 or send your query to cce@.... Thank you.
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>73,
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>Steve Ewald, WV1X
>ARRL Field Organization/Public Service Team
>sewald@...

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# 133. Alpharetta Fire work party

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2005-06-01 01:08:10 UTC
From: David Ziskind
Topic: 133  Message: 133

I have scheduled a work party for Saturday, June 11 at 9am, maximum 2 hours, at Alpharetta Fire HQ. We need to string the HF dipole and configure their radio. The feed line was already run when we set up the VHF antenna, so assuming that is still ok, we should have an easy day. If someone has a network analyzer just to 'double check' the coax, that would be great to bring!

Everyone is welcome, though in reality we don't need but maybe 2 or 3 people. Please try to let me know if you plan to attend.

Finally, I'm short on volunteers for the July 4 Peachtree Road Race. If you can help out, please let me know ASAP!

73,
David KE4QLH

# 134. Fwd: Alpharetta Fire work party

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2005-06-09 02:07:16 UTC
From: David Ziskind
Topic: 133  Message: 134

Hi, just a reminder about the work party this Saturday at 9am. So far only Steve W4CNG and I are going. We could use a few more. Please let me know ASAP if you can come help for a few hours.

Thanks,
David

---------- Forwarded message ----------
From: David Ziskind <dziskind@...>
Date: May 31, 2005 9:08 PM
Subject: Alpharetta Fire work party
To: nfares@yahoogroups.com

I have scheduled a work party for Saturday, June 11 at 9am, maximum 2 hours, at Alpharetta Fire HQ. We need to string the HF dipole and configure their radio. The feed line was already run when we set up the VHF antenna, so assuming that is still ok, we should have an easy day. If someone has a network analyzer just to 'double check' the coax, that would be great to bring!

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73,
David KE4QLH

# 135. Alpharetta work party: success!

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2005-06-13 03:00:17 UTC
From: David Ziskind
Topic: 135  Message: 135

Thanks to Steve W4CNG, Steve WB4CVB, and Vic KI4HPX for coming out Saturday morning. We strung the HF antenna between trees, tuned it, and connected it to feedline that we ran back in November. W4CNG also programmed a bunch of frequencies into their radio. Now, Alpharetta has a functional HF/VHF/UHF station! The VHF/UHF vertical is currently 'zip tied' to their roof, but I have been assured they are going to get someone to mount it properly!

There is a CERT class coming up in August. As soon as I have the particulars I will forward them. Our own Vic KI4HPX has been actively taking courses offered by Alpharetta Fire. We also leaned on Capt. Cheatham to get his ham license! We discussed having a one day 'cram session' followed by the exam. Turns out some members of the Fire Corp are also interested in getting licensed. Hopefully that will materialize soon.

I'm still a few volunteers short for the July 4 Peachtree Road Race. Please let me know ASAP if you can help out.

73,
David KE4QLH

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David Ziskind
david@davidziskind.com

# 136. Fwd: WINLINK Class August 6th

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2005-08-02 04:52:24 UTC
From: David Ziskind
Topic: 136  Message: 136

FYI

73,
David KE4QLH

---------- Forwarded message ----------
From: Lowry Rouse <km4z@...>
Date: Aug 1, 2005 5:49 PM
Subject: WINLINK Class August 6th
To: Lowry Rouse <km4z@...>

I finally got my act together and have the information I promised last
Friday. The class in Forsyth will begin 10:30/11AM this coming
Saturday morning at the GPSTC building. I have included a web site
giving directions to the facility.
(http://gpstc.georgia.gov/00/channel_modifieddate/0,2096,31062192_31062998,00.html)
As you approach the exit, monitor 146.52 for talk-in information.
Also use my cell phone number (678-472-7880) as a means of contacting
me for info.

There is still room available for the August 6th class. Please contact
me if you're interested in attending ASAP (here we go with that
again!) but time is running short.

So far we have the following attending: Lowry KM4Z
Cecil KD4ZEM
Sandy W4RU
Andy AA4RC
Tom KG4VUB
Susan AF4FO (maybe)
Mike K4HBI (maybe)
Carl AG4LS
(has 2 to 5 members attending from

Newton County)

Please make note that there will still be a full blown class given
August 13th at GA. Tech. The same schedule as previously announced for
the July 30th class will be followed for the 13th class. Class begins
at 11AM and will last around 3 hours. Thanks again to David (KE4QLH)
for arranging the meeting facilities with the GA Tech ARC.

Now that several will be going to the Forsyth GPSTC on the 6th, this
will open up several slots for the 13th class. I sending this e-mail
out to the OHS/GEMA Team members again but will also post it to the
GAARES E-mail list. To my surprise several e-mails have come back from
ARES(r) groups out of our immediate area wanting to attend. So again,

please mention this to anyone you think might be interested in taking this class. I'd like to get! a full house for this class and a backlog of people to take the class at a future date.

Look forward in hearing from you and please contact me with any questions.

Best Regards,
Lowry Rouse KM4Z
OHS/GEMA DEC

# 137. Fwd: [ARES] WINLINK 2000 Class at GA Tech

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2005-08-09 03:27:39 UTC
From: David Ziskind
Topic: 137  Message: 137

Please email me ASAP if you would like to attend. It is this Saturday, 11am-2pm at Georgia Tech.

73,
David KE4QLH

On August 13th starting at 11am, a WINLINK 2000 training class will be presented by John Kraus (KC4ZGQ) at GA Tech. The class will last three hours. John will spend time after the class with anyone needing further explanation of the program. The number of students will be limited to 15 to maximize the limited time frame for "hands on" training. Three (3) stations will be setup to communicate via RF (Telpac) and Internet (Telnet) which will demonstrate how it works to close the "last mile" as is it's main reason for being developed. By participating in the class, you will sign up for your own WINLINK E-mail address and be a registered user.

Go to (www.kc4zgq.com) and check out John's slide show presentation that he presented to a group of 14 students in Forsyth, GA. this past Saturday. Also look at (www.winlink.org) for more information on this program.

A request for help. To help John get set up as quick as possible, any of you that can arrive by 9:45am and help carry equipment from the parking lot up to the classroom, please do so. It will greatly appreciated. Mike Boatright (KO4WX), representing OHS/GEMA and David Ziskind (KE4QLH) representing the GA Tech ARC, will be the coordinators for this event.

Please respond back to me ASAP if you're interested in attending this class. I want to fill up the fifteen slots so please, if at all possible, plan on attending. There are several slots available at this time. The number of people interested will help John to determine how quick he'll return for a second instruction class. It will also show other areas in the State that want this class scheduled. Please pass this invitation on to all ARES(r) groups.

E-mail John (bigjohn45@...) or me with any questions you have and I look forward to hearing back from you.

Please check the following link ( http://gtalumni.org/campusmap/bldngmodel.php?id=85&navview=0 ) for directions. Talk-in will be on 146.82- with pl of 146.2Hz. This is the Van Lear Building and is building #85. This is the location of the GA Tech Club Testing Site.

Best Regards,
Lowry Rouse KM4Z
OHS/GEMA DEC

NOTE: A big thanks to David Ziskind (KE4QLH) and the GA Tech ARC (W4AQL) for allowing the use their facility for this training class.

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Ares mailing list
Ares@...
http://gaares.org/mailman/listinfo/ares_gaares.org

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David Ziskind
david@...

# 138. North Fulton ARES EC handoff

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2005-08-30 00:13:28 UTC
From: David Ziskind
Topic: 138  Message: 138
Attachments: 2 described; binary payloads are missing from this source WARC

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# 139. NFARES

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2005-08-30 21:13:21 UTC
From: shkemp@bellsouth.net
Topic: 139  Message: 139
Attachments: 1 described; binary payloads are missing from this source WARC

Hello All,

I would lik to thank David for the tremendous job he has done in the last 5 years as EC in North Fulton ARES and only hope that I can do as well. To introduce myself, my name is Steve Kemp and I live in Alpharetta. I am attaching a communication bio for you to see some of what I have done.

First and foremost, I would like to solicit your thoughts on what we can do together to improve our readiness and ability to support served agencies in Notrht Fulton. I am particularly interested in your continued willingness to support NFARES and the work we need to do. During the next few weeks, I wiil be reviewing with your help our current status and where we need to go.
I am looking to hold a meeting sometime in the middle of September to outline an agenda and get us moving forward.
Please e-mail me at WB4CVB@... any suggestions, comments, ideas, ect. that you have. Also, please indicate if you no longer wish to particpate in NFARES.

Regards,

Steve Kemp
WB4CVB
Emergency Coodinator North Fulton ARES

# 140. Hurricane Katrina HF Response and Recovery Frequencies

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2005-09-01 20:37:27 UTC
From: David Ziskind
Topic: 140  Message: 140

I thought some of these might be of interest. I got this off a
reflector, so I cannot vouch for their accuracy.

73,
David

Hurricane Katrina HF Response and Recovery Frequencies

02802.4 USB American Red Cross Disaster (F-91) **

03171.4 USB American Red Cross Disaster (F-92) **

05136.4 USB American Red Cross Disaster (F-93) **
05141.4 USB American Red Cross Disaster (F-94) **
05211.0 USB FEMA
05236.0 USB SHARES Coordination Network (nationwide HF voice =
coordination)

06859.5 USB American Red Cross Disaster (F-95) **

07507.0 USB USN/USCG hurricane net (pri)

07550.5 USB American Red Cross Disaster (F-96 - primary) **
07698.5 USB American Red Cross Disaster (F-97) **

09380.0 USB USN/USCG hurricane net (sec)

10493.0 USB FEMA

14396.5 USB SHARES Coordination Network (nationwide HF voice =
coordination)

** Type-accepted equipment and an issued US FCC license are required =
to=20
transmit on Red Cross frequencies

AMATEUR HIGH-FREQUENCY GULF COAST HURRICANE NETS

03845.0 LSB Gulf Coast West Hurricane
03862.5 LSB Mississippi Section Traffic
03873.0 LSB Central Gulf Coast Hurricane
03873.0 LSB Louisiana ARES Emergency (night)
03873.0 LSB Texas ARES Emergency (night)
03873.0 LSB Mississippi ARES Emergency
03910.0 LSB Mississippi ARES
03910.0 LSB Louisiana Traffic
03923.0 LSB Mississippi ARES
03925.0 LSB Central Gulf Coast Hurricane

03925.0 LSB Louisiana Emergency (altn)
03935.0 LSB Central Gulf Coast Hurricane
03935.0 LSB Louisiana ARES (health & welfare)
03935.0 LSB Texas ARES (health & welfare)
03935.0 LSB Mississippi ARES (health & welfare)
03935.0 LSB Alabama Emergency
03940.0 LSB Southern Florida Emergency
03950.0 LSB Northern Florida Emergency
03955.0 LSB South Texas Emergency
03965.0 LSB Alabama Emergency (altn)
03967.0 LSB Gulf Coast (outgoing traffic)
03975.0 LSB Texas RACES
03993.5 LSB Gulf Coast (health & welfare)
03995.0 LSB Gulf Coast Wx

07225.0 LSB Central Gulf Coast Hurricane
07235.0 LSB Louisiana Emergency
07235.0 LSB Central Gulf Coast Hurricane
07235.0 LSB Louisiana Emergency
07240.0 LSB American Red Cross US Gulf Coast Disaster
07240.0 LSB Texas Emergency
07243.0 LSB Alabama Emergency
07245.0 LSB Southern Louisiana
07248.0 LSB Texas RACES
07250.0 LSB Texas Emergency
07260.0 LSB Gulf Coast West Hurricane
07264.0 LSB Gulf Coast (health & welfare)
07265.0 LSB Salvation Army Team Emergency Radio (SATERN) (altn)
07273.0 LSB Texas ARES (altn)
07280.0 LSB NTS Region 5
07280.0 LSB Louisiana Emergency (altn)
07283.0 LSB Gulf Coast (outgoing only)
07285.0 LSB West Gulf ARES Emergency (day)
07285.0 LSB Louisiana ARES Emergency (day)
07285.0 LSB Mississippi ARES Emergency
07285.0 LSB Texas ARES Emergency (day)
07290.0 LSB Central Gulf Coast Hurricane
07290.0 LSB Gulf Coast Wx
07290.0 LSB Texas ARES (health & welfare)
07290.0 LSB Louisiana ARES (health & welfare) (day)
07290.0 LSB Texas ARES (health & welfare)
07290.0 LSB Mississippi ARES (health & welfare)

14265.0 USB Salvation Army Team Emergency Radio (SATERN) (health &=20
welfare) 14300.0 USB Intercontinental Traffic
14300.0 USB Maritime Mobile Service
14303.0 USB International Assistance & Traffic
14313.0 USB Intercontinental Traffic (altn)
14313.0 USB Maritime Mobile Service (altn)
14316.0 USB Health & Welfare
14320.0 USB Health & Welfare

14325.0 USB Hurricane Watch (Amateur-to-National Hurricane Center)
14340.0 USB Louisiana (1900)

# 141. Fw: Ham Assistance in Aftermath of Katrina

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2005-09-02 21:38:03 UTC
From: shkemp@bellsouth.net
Topic: 141  Message: 141

FYI, Please Read

Steve
----- Forwarded by Stephen H. Kemp/Stephen H. Kemp on 09/02/2005 17:37
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"ARRL Web site" <memberlist@...>
09/02/2005 12:17

To
shkemp@...
cc

Subject
Ham Assistance in Aftermath of Katrina

Greetings, All,

I know that a number of GA hams are already involved in the
overwhelming response efforts for victims in the areas devastated by
Hurricane Katrina. Some are with Red Cross, or Salvation Army, or with
NDMS, or with a church-related organization. Many are helping out right
here in GA, with the multitude of shelters that have been opened for
the enormous number of displaced persons, with the influx of evacuees
needing medical care, with participation in numerous emergency nets,
whether for ARES, SATERN, SHARES, or MARS.

Others are desperate to volunteer, but aren't sure how to do that.
They've contacted me, or various leaders within the GA ARES
organization, expressing their availabilty and desire to deploy. News
of the atrocious lack of communications in these areas only adds to the
desire of hams throughout the country to help alleviate this problem
and to the sense of frustration that we can't do more.

The following message was posted on the SM reflector yesterday by JOE
PHILLIPS, SM of Ohio:

IF YOU ARE WAITING TO GO TO THE HURRICANE AREA TO ASSIST
PLEASE READ AND UNDERSTAND THE FOLLOWING.

The on-the-ground situation in SE Louisiana and SW
Mississippi is as bad as television is reporting. Neither state is
permitting disaster relief agencies into the affected areas except on a
very limited basis and only
then where conditions are stable. Nearly everyone is still staging as
close by as possible and waiting.

The Louisiana SM (Mickey Cox K5MC) and SEC (Gary Stratton K5GLS) are in communications with state officials, who have directed them to NOT advertise for volunteers. Some volunteers have been requested, and these are being staged at the state EOC.

The situation for the Mississippi SM and SEC, Malcolm Keown W5XX, in Vicksburg MS is very uncertain. His station is completely on the ground and EchoLink repeaters in the area are off-the-air. Attempts to contact Assistant SMs have been unsuccessful.

An AB2M.net Amateur Radio operator registration web site has been setup and is ready to go public when approval is received. Some Amateur Radio operators are known to be traveling towards the affected areas with emergency services and disaster relief agencies as dedicated communications resources.

Despite everyone's nearly overwhelming desire to help, about all we can do right now is to make preparations for a prompt response when the officials finally give their approval. None of us know when that will occur.

Jerry Reimer, KK5CA
South Texas

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FOLLOW-UP today from ARRL's STEVE EWALD, WV1X:

As Joe mentioned earlier in a message he relayed from South Texas SEC Jerry Reimer, a Web page has been been established to help register those radio amatuers wishing to prepare and assist with Katrina-relief efforts in Louisiana and Mississippi.

Approval has been received to help spread the word about this registration page.

HURRICANE KATRINA
DISASTER COMMUNICATIONS
VOLUNTEER REGISTRATION &
MESSAGE TRAFFIC DATABASE

http://katrina.ab2m.net/

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So, there you have it. This is as much as I know about the situation at this time. Until next time, this is AF4FO, signing clear. Take care of yourselves. And each other. 73, Susan

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ARRL Georgia Section
Section Manager: Susan K. Swiderski, AF4FO
af4fo@...

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This message is being sent to you via the ARRL Members Only Web site.

If you do not want to receive further messages, go to the site at:
http://www.arrl.org/members-only/memdata.html?modify=1
Log in with your username and password and change your email options.
Unchecking the "News and information from your Division Director and
Section Manager" box will prevent messages such as this one from
being sent to you.
-- webmaster@...

# 142. Fw: More on Katrina Response Needs

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2005-09-02 21:38:44 UTC
From: shkemp@bellsouth.net
Topic: 142  Message: 142

Additional Info

Steve
----- Forwarded by Stephen H. Kemp/Stephen H. Kemp on 09/02/2005 17:38
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"ARRL Web site" <memberlist@...>
09/02/2005 17:09

To
shkemp@...
cc

Subject
More on Katrina Response Needs

Hello, again,

More information continues to come in regarding the response efforts for Katrina. One of our GA hams, BILL PARKS, KI4EGQ, is currently deployed in Baton Rouge, LA, with the Red Cross. He reports that the Red Cross Communications Lead, J.J. SHEPARD, has issued a request for additional amateur radio operators. I do have a phone number for Bill, if anyone specifically requests it, but in light of the following additional information, I'll not release that number at this time.

To support the above report, I have also received word from the ARRL, indicating that they have been asked by the Red Cross to request volunteers to supply communications in the areas devastated by hurricane Katrina. Volunteers will be deployed from central Alabama.

These deployments will be coordinated through the ARRL. If you, or a team of you from any of our ARES groups is already on stand-by and available for deployment, please send the following information to our ARES leadership for relay to the ARRL. This info should be sent to our SEC JIM COTE, N4PJR, at n4pjr@... to our ASEC STAN EDWARDS, WA4DYD, at wa4dyd@... and you can also send it to me at af4fo@....

Katrina Deployment to Central Alabama

ARRL Section _____

How many Ops can you have available in 24 hrs? _____

Specifically, where in your section will they assemble?

_____

_____

_____

What time will you deploy from your section? _____

How will you convoy to Alabama? _____

All efforts are coordinated through ARRL HQ

Norm Fusaro, W3IZ 860-594-0230

Chuck Skolaut, K0BOG 860-594-0239

Ø Your people will be staffing 250 Red Cross shelters and 30 kitchens for an indefinite period of time.

Ø You will be living in hardship conditions.

Ø We need operators and radio equipment.

Ø Do not bring recreational vehicles (RV's) or campers. SUV is OK.

Ø There is fuel available in Alabama.

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PLEASE DO NOT attempt to pack yourself off to these areas, by yourself, without coordination! The needs are great, but going into these areas all willly-nilly will only cause additional problems for the folks who are already there trying to handle the situation. They need TRAINED operators, not just people who happen to have an HT.

And please be aware that the conditions in these areas are still deplorable. It has been recommended that volunteers have booster shots for diptheria and tetanus, as well as an IMG, which is a shot for immediate protection, good for three months, for Hepatitis A. (If not the IMG, having had the regular immunization series for Hepatitis A&B would suffice.)

One last thing: I know that many of you have been receiving requests for assistance fron people seeking information about H&W for their loved ones. The SATERN website is an excellent resource for this, but it has been overwhelmed with requests. (www.SATERN.org) There is another resource, which has been set up by one of the newspapers in the area, and their website is http://Kenburtonne.web116.discountasp.net/Katrina/Status.aspx If you have dificulty getting into this site, the paper's main site is http://www.gulfcoastnews.com/

Thank you all. Hams are the best. Until next time, this is AF4FO, signing clear. Take care of yourselves. And each other. 73, Susan

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ARRL Georgia Section
Section Manager: Susan K. Swiderski, AF4FO
af4fo@...
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Section Manager" box will prevent messages such as this one from
being sent to you.
-- webmaster@...

# 143. Fwd: Atlanta Marathon and Half Marathon - Ham Radio volunteers needed!

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2005-10-30 13:08:46 UTC
From: David Ziskind
Topic: 143  Message: 143

Hi all,

I am a few positions short for the Atlanta Marathon and Half Marathon this year. I have 4 aid stations available, as well as finish and medical. Please let me know if you can help out!

73,
David Ziskind KE4QLH

---------- Forwarded message ----------
From: David Ziskind <dziskind@gmail.com>
Date: Oct 4, 2005 12:41 PM
Subject: Atlanta Marathon and Half Marathon - Ham Radio volunteers needed!
To: ke4qlh@...

Hello all!

Fall is in the air, Thanksgiving is approaching...and so is the 44th running of the Atlanta Marathon! We need YOU to be successful!

Please let me know if you will be able to help out this year. The 'usual' positions are available, and of course, I will try my best to accomodate your request. The volunteer 'gift' this year is a LL Bean vest embroidered with the Atlanta Track Club logo. I am told it is on par with the raincoat from several years ago.

How do you sign up?! Just send me an email with your email address(es) and phone number(s), and if you have a preferred position.

73,
David Ziskind KE4QLH
ke4qlh@...
404-966-6864

# 144. Net Control

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2005-11-02 02:47:28 UTC
From: shkemp@bellsouth.net
Topic: 144  Message: 144

I need a Net Control Operator for Sunday, November 6th for the Metro Atlanta Net at 4:00pm EST. If you can do this, please let me know asap. I am going to be unavailable on Sunday.

Thanks

Steve
EC NFARES
WB4CVB

# 145. North Fulton ARES

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2005-12-20 19:19:33 UTC
From: shkemp@bellsouth.net
Topic: 145  Message: 145

Hello,

Back in August when I became EC, I sent a request to the members of NFARES to express an interest in continued participation. I received a few responses but not as many a I had hoped. I am reaching out at this time as we approach the new year to get a greater response, so that we may get things moving forward in 2006. In addition, I am seeking volunteers to fill several AEC positions for next year. If you could take a few minutes out of your holiday schedule and respond, we can make plans for a great year ahead. Your response and input is crucial for NFARES to be a success.
Please also let me know about when the Net should be. There have been suggestions about having it on a weeknight.

Happy Holidays,

Steve Kemp
WB4CVB
EC NFARES
404-277-6360
wb4cvb@...

# 146. Resignation

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2006-01-19 16:49:14 UTC
From: shkemp@bellsouth.net
Topic: 146  Message: 146

Dear NFARES Member,

I have submitted my resignation from EC NFARES for business reasons. I am in the process of changing careers and starting my own business and do not have time at the present to be your EC. I have notified Steve Garrison, N4SEG; DEC Metro of my decision and ask if any one of you is interested in serving as EC to notify Steve.

Sincerely,

Steve Kemp
WB4CVB

# 147. New EC

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2006-03-01 23:16:43 UTC
From: shkemp@bellsouth.net
Topic: 147  Message: 147

Hi Group,

I just wanted to let you know that Victor Wasilov (ki4hpx@...) is taking over the EC for North Fulton. This is effective today. Please welcome Victor and give him your support.

Thanks,

Steve
WB4CVB
EC NFARES

# 148. North Fultom ARES team

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2006-03-04 16:49:18 UTC
From: Victor Wasilov
Topic: 148  Message: 148

Hello,

My name Victor, KI4HPX, and as Steve had indicated in a previous message I have accepted the appointment as the Emergency Coordinator for North Fulton County ARES.
Some of you I have met, others I have not, so here is some background information and thoughts on the path forward for the N Fulton ARES team.

I am a relatively new Ham. I received my Tech. License in Nov. 2004. My primary reason for becoming a Ham was a desire to support emergency communications and the local served agencies such as the Alpharetta EOC and GEMA. During the past 16 months I have focused on acquiring the knowledge to be of value to ARES and my community. Here is what I have focused on during this timeframe.

Completed the following courses:

1. ARRL Amateur Radio Emergency Communications Courses
Levels 1, 2 & 3
2. FEMA courses:
☐ IS-100 Introduction to the Incident Command System
☐ IS-275 Role of the Emergency Operations Center in Community Preparedness, Response & Recovery
☐ IS-700 National Incident Management System (NIMS) an Introduction
3. Community Emergency Response Team Training (CERT)
4. First Responder Training
5. Army MARS Basic Training Course
6. Army MARS Net Control Training Course

Member or support the following organizations:

1. Alpharetta Fire & Emergency Services ☐ Fire Corps
2. Georgia Army MARS
3. OHS ☐ GEMA ARES

Now I am looking forward to working with all of you in building the North Fulton ARES team. Today the need for qualified Amateur Radio operators serving their communities in both primary and secondary emergency communication roles is greater than ever. The events of Sept 11, 2001 and hurricanes Katrina/Rita have demonstrated to federal government agencies, local fire and police departments, and NGO's that they need to engage with and need the support of local ARES teams.

Locally we will be actively involved with the Alpharetta F&ES in building an amateur radio infrastructure. We will begin by training and helping all the Duty officers secure amateur radio licenses. Steve Kemp (WB4CVB) and Bill Nix (KI4HPZ) have agreed to help. I am looking for 1 additional VE that would be willing to help out. Additionally I will be conducting emergency communication classes for the Alpharetta Fire Corps.

Next on the list is to secure a station call sign for the Alpharetta EOC Amateur Radio Station. This requires forming a club and appointing officers. Steve Kemp (WB4CVB) has agreed to act as president. I need two more volunteers to act as club officers. Please contact me directly if you are interested.

As you may have guessed I am trying to formalize the NF ARES operations. This will start with a weekly net. Anyone interested in remaining a member of NF ARES or becoming a new member is encouraged to call into the net on Sunday evenings. Starting in April we will begin on-air 15-20 minute training sessions during the net. Future plans include monthly physical meeting to include classroom training.

There are other plans including getting involved in supporting local events such as the Tour de Georgia. We will need teams working with local hospitals to establish amateur radio stations in their facilities in support of the recently announced recommendations by FEMA.

None of this is possible without the support of you and other amateur radio operator volunteers. I and your communities need your involvement and support. I hope to hear you on the Sunday night net. If for any reason you can no longer be a member of the NF ARES please let me know. I do not want to load your inbox with emails and will remove you from the distribution list. If you do want to remain a member please contact me directly. The NF ARES contact information is listed below. All new or renewing members will be asked to fill out a membership application. Membership cards will be issued to those members that have completed the ARRL EC-001 Emergency Communications Course and the FEMA IS-100, IS-200, & IS-700 courses.

There are other plans but those will be discussed during the Sunday NF ARES nets.
Please contact Steve Kemp (WB4CVB) or me if you have any questions or suggestions. Finally, I have set up a North Fulton ARES email address and P.O. Box that you can use for all ARES related correspondence.

North Fulton ARES
P.O. Box 3266
Alpharetta, Georgia 30023-3266

nfulton.ares@...

Thank you in advance for your support.

Victor Wasilov
KI4HPX
Emergency Coordinator ☐ North Fulton Ares
404-307-5936
ki4hpx@...

# 149. North Fulton ARES web site

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2006-03-13 01:24:18 UTC
From: Victor Wasilov
Topic: 149  Message: 149

Good evening,

The North Fulton ARES website is being updated. Please check out the
web site. Any suggestions or comments will be appreciated.

Also, I will start sending out reminders for the Sunday Night net.
Please join us. The format is changing and it will be more interactive.
Your participation will be appreciated.

Please let me know if you do not wish to receive any further
communications from this reflector.

Thanks

73

Victor
KI4HPX

# 150. North Fulton ARES net Sunday March 19

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2006-03-18 03:48:41 UTC
From: Victor Wasilov
Topic: 150  Message: 150

Please join us this Sunday at 7:30 PM local time for the North Fulton ARES net.

73

Victor

# 151. North Fulton ARES Net - Sunday 7:30 PM

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2006-03-24 03:42:00 UTC
From: Victor Wasilov
Topic: 151  Message: 151

Please join us this Sunday at 7:30 PM local time for the North Fulton ARES net.

73

Victor

# 152. ARES Net Sunday April 2nd 7:30 PM 145.470 MHz

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2006-04-01 14:41:34 UTC
From: Victor Wasilov
Topic: 152  Message: 152

Please join us this Sunday at 7:30 PM local time for the North Fulton ARES net.

73

Victor

# 153. Message to THe Nfulton ARES Members

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2006-04-05 22:59:05 UTC
From: Victor Wasilov
Topic: 153  Message: 153

I have sent out a number of emails requesting that members please call into the Sunday Night net. So far none of the former members or those that have recently renewed their membership have called into the net.

I realize everyone is busy and Sunday night is not the best time for a net, but that is the time slot allocated to us. No one expects everyone to call in every weekend, but calling in once a month is a reasonable expectation. If an emergency occurs when ARES members are needed to respond, how can we know who to count on if no one ever calls into a net.

It is not I that needs your help. It is your community and your friends and neighbors that need your help. I am just the facilitator. I am willing to give of my time and devote my energy but you are the ones that are the key persons.

Please call in at least once a month and please start this weekend. Sunday night. 7:30 PM local time. 145.470 MHz

73

Victor
KI4HPX

# 154. Disaster Training

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2006-04-10 15:10:46 UTC
From: Victor Wasilov
Topic: 154  Message: 154

One of our members had requested information on disaster training. I thought it might also be of interest to rest of the team.

The options fall into two categories. The first is self-study. There are a number of sites and training programs available. First there are site like the following, which provide information on how to prepare for emergencies.

http://www.72hours.org/index.html

There are self-study courses at FEMA that include a CERT course.

IS-317 Introduction to Community Emergency Response Teams

Located at URL: http://www.training.fema.gov/EMIWeb/IS/crslist.asp

If you were looking for a hands-on classroom type of training, I would recommend attending a local CERT (Community Emergency Response Team) class. This is what I attended and highly recommend.

There are two such programs in Fulton County.

1) Alpharetta Community Emergency Response Teams
Geographic Area: Fulton County, Alpharetta
Point of Contact: Lieutenant Gary Robinson
Phone Number: (678) 297-6293
E-mail address: grobinson@...
Website address: http://www.alpharettacitizencorps.org

The Community Emergency Response Team (CERT) Program educates people about disaster preparedness and trains them in basic disaster response skills, such as fire safety, light search and rescue, and disaster medical operations. Using their training, CERT members can assist others in their neighborhood or workplace following an event and can take a more active role in preparing their community.
But CERT is the starting point for all volunteer service in AFES!

The Alpharetta CERT program is open to volunteers 18 years or older with no criminal history. There is no residency requirement. Classes are taught at the Roswell Alpharetta Public Safety Training Center.

AFES Community Emergency Response Team Training includes:
· Hands on Training with Career Firefighters
· Home Fire Safety Tips
· Disaster Response Training
· First-Aid
· CPR
·

· Flexible class dates & times

CERT is about readiness, people helping people, rescuer safety, and doing the greatest good for the greatest number. CERT is a positive and realistic approach to emergency and disaster situations where citizens will be initially on their own and their actions can make a difference. Through training, citizens can manage utilities and put out small fires; treat the three killers by opening airways, controlling bleeding, and treating for shock; provide basic medical aid; search for and rescue victims safely; and organize themselves and spontaneous volunteers to be effective.

2) Fulton County Fire CERT
Geographic Area: Fulton County, Atlanta
Phone Number: (404) 505-5700
E-mail address: cert436@...
Website address: http://www.co.fulton.ga.us/fire2/cert.htm

FCFD's CERT training is 20 hours. The class schedule can be modified to meet your needs. The first class introduces our citizens to the daily operations of our department. Training will be held in our fire stations. Training can be held at your location with prior approval. Our goal is to train every citizen and every person whom works within unincorporated Fulton County to be prepared for any disaster. Fulton County is the largest County in GA. The population of unincorporated Fulton County is approximately 800,000. Fulton County Fire Stations are accepting applications for CERT training. Locations of the CERT Training: South Fulton Locations: Station #23 4121 Cascade Rd. Atlanta Station #7 5965 Buffington Rd. College Pk. North Fulton Locations: Station #2 135 Johnson Ferry Rd. Sandy Springs Station #12 10265 Medlockbridge Rd. Alpharetta Locations can be moved to a station near you based upon the Community Response. Training can also be held at your place of business, worship or organization facility.

While there are CERT classes in other counties, I would recommend taking a class in your county of residence. You get to meet the first responders and build a level of trust that is important in a disaster situation.

Let me know if you need any additional information or help.

73

Victor
KI4HPX / AAV4ZY

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Victor Wasilov
Emergency Coordinator
North Fulton Amateur Radio Emergency Service
404-307-5936

# 155. Volunteers needed for the March of Dimes Walk in Roswell on April 22

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2006-04-12 13:06:16 UTC
From: Victor Wasilov
Topic: 155  Message: 155

The following is a request from the March of Dimes. They are having a "walk" in Roswell on April 22 and are looking for 10 amateur radio voluteers to help them with communications. Please let me know ASAP if you can help out.

Thanks

Victor, KI4HPX
North Fulton ARES
404-307-5936
nfulton.ares@gmail.com

Here is the message.
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We're hosting a fundraising walk next Saturday, April 22nd for the March of Dimes. I need 10 radios/walkie talkies for communication between my checkpoint volunteers, sweep van drivers, operational directors, and myself. Is there any way you can provide these or help us out?

Thank you in advance for any help you may be able to provide!!

Andrea

Andrea Olczak
Associate Director, WalkAmerica
March of Dimes - Metro Atlanta Division
1776 Peachtree St., N.W., Suite 100
Atlanta, GA 30309
p: 404.350.9800, ext. 209
f: 404.355.7723
aolczak@...

# 156. Reminder: ARES net Sunday at 7:30 PM

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2006-04-15 12:50:17 UTC
From: Victor Wasilov
Topic: 156  Message: 156

Please join us this Sunday at 7:30 PM local time for the North Fulton
ARES net.

73

Victor

# 157. Northr Fulton ARES news and EMCOMM items of interest

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2006-05-21 22:05:43 UTC
From: Victor Wasilov
Topic: 157  Message: 157

Hello everyone,

Just wanted to provide you with an update on what's new at North
Fulton ARES and some news relating to EMCOMM.

Victor, KI4HPX
North Fulton ARES EC
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1) I am pleased to announce two new members.

Mark Fick, KD4LET
Sean Morgan, N4SHM

Both Mark and Sean are also members of the Paulding ARC. Please
join me in welcoming them to the team.
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2) NFARL and Paulding ARC have entered into an agreement to
allow the PARC members to use the 145.470 MHz repeater when their
repeater is being used by the NWS during weather emergencies or
activations. This is a great step forward in building inter county
cooperation and the opportunity to make new friends.
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3) FEMA Releases Preparedness DVD. This can be a useful tool
for our team, as well as our communities.

"Getting Ready for Disaster - One Family's Experience," a citizen
preparedness DVD from the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA),
has been released to help people get ready for disasters that may
impact their families and communities. The DVD guides viewers through
important steps of disaster preparedness and addresses critical
issues
in seven segments: Getting Informed, Making a Plan, Assembling a
Disaster Supplies Kit, Food and Water in an Emergency, Helping
Children
Cope with Disaster, Disability and Special Needs Populations, and
Getting Involved - Citizen Corps. The DVD was designed to be used
with
"Are You Ready? An In-Depth Guide to Citizen Preparedness" and the
accompanying facilitator manual for teaching preparedness principles
in
small group or classroom settings.

Free copies of the DVD (FEMA 500) and the Are You Ready guides (IS-22
and IS-22FG) are available through the FEMA Distribution Center at
(800) 480-2520. Requests are currently limited to one DVD per caller.

In the coming months, the DVD will be translated into Spanish and will
be available in both languages on a single DVD. Video files, a transcript, and the guide can also be downloaded from http://www.fema.gov/areyouready/.
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4) Mark Fick (KD4LET) has provided the following information for free disaster training material for children.
You can order these items FREE from FEMA:
☐ Activity Book: Let's Have Fun with Fire Safety - Ask for: 9-1548
☐ Brochure: Family Disaster Supply Kit
☐ Coloring Book: Disaster Preparedness - Ask for: 8-1123
☐ Door Knob Hanger: Fire Safety. Ask for 5-0200
☐ Book: Adventures of Julia and Robbie - Ask for FEMA 344
Call 1-800-480-2520 or
Write to:
FEMA
P.O. Box 2012
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5) The Midland Radio Corporation, REACT International, the DC Emergency Radio Network, and NationalSOS.com have jointly announced their support for the National SOS Radio Network - www.NationalSOS.com - a free communications network based on the estimated 100 million FRS-compatible radios already in the hands of the public... and growing by up to 12 million radios per year.

In the aftermath of Hurricane Katrina, it has become clear that a major contributing factor to the tragic loss of life was the near total breakdown of communication systems. Once electricity, telephone, and cell phone services failed, people were unable to let rescuers know of their dire situation - and died as a result.

A simple, instant, and virtually zero-cost solution:
A "National SOS" public emergency network - www.NationalSOS.com. This free public network connects the estimated 100 million Family Radio Service (FRS) and FRS / GMRS (General Mobile Radio Service) combination radios already in use by the public with 700,000 amateur "ham" radio operators -- people renowned and prepared for emergency communications -- plus over 70,000 licensed GMRS radio users who are also proficient emergency communicators.

The National SOS Radio Network doesn't require new laws or any new legislation. It could be effective immediately. Once the ham and GMRS radio communities are made aware to listen for the public's emergency FRS broadcasts, the national network will be up and running. The goal is to create initial awareness before the upcoming hurricane season.

FRS radios and FRS / GMRS combination radios used strictly under FRS regulations don't require an operator license, can be used by anyone of any age, and are available for as little as $10 - $30 at many retailers and online stores.

The National SOS initiative recommends that public use FRS Channel 1 as its primary emergency-communications channel. Channel 1 is easy to remember and has previously been endorsed by radio manufacturers and by REACT in 2000. For universal communication amongst radio users, it's important that the FRS radio's "privacy tone" or "privacy code" be turned off. During a crisis, ham radio, GMRS, and scanner operators can easily monitor FRS Channel 1 by tuning to 462.5625 MHz. Other FRS channels are being considered to create a "channel plan" for overall emergency coordination. See www.NationalSOS.com for an endorsed "channel plan" and related emergency-communication protocols.

Eric Knight, a ham-radio veteran and developer of www.NationalSOS.com said, "We are honored to be teaming up with three fantastic organizations in the field of communications." Knight continued, "Midland Radio is a long-time pioneer in innovative radio technology. REACT International, Inc. has been at the forefront of an all-citizen emergency communications network for nearly 50 years and introduced FRS radio as an important public communications tool in 2000. And the DC Emergency Radio Network, DCERN, is a brilliant example of using FRS radios to connect people and neighborhoods in an emergency."

Chris Oehlert, Marketing Communications Manager for Midland Radio, said in regards to the National SOS Radio Network, "Midland is pleased to support such an important effort. The importance of communication cannot be over emphasized, particularly in times of crisis." Oehlert continued, "Midland 2-way radios provide a reliable, inexpensive means of communication -- even in situations where other technologies are disabled."

Since 1962, REACT -- Radio Emergency Associated Communications Teams -- has led major efforts in emergency communications and disaster-preparedness programs. Ed Greany, Executive Vice-president of REACT International, Inc., said, "REACT is pleased to lend support and encourage radio users of the Family Radio Service (FRS) and the General Mobile Radio Service (GMRS) to this important project." Greany added, "Both FRS and GMRS radios have already proven their importance and effective use in disaster communications in recent California wildfires."

Bill Adler, the founder of the DC Emergency Radio Network, DCERN, said, "It's my vision to see that every household in American has an FRS or GMRS radio. As we've learned from 9/11, Hurricane Katrina, and other disasters, without communications nothing else operates effectively." Adler continued, "I envision a national network of ordinary Americans with FRS and GMRS radios who can relay

information in an emergency.

When a natural or manmade disaster strikes, the only good communications system is one that will actually work. The idea behind this new emergency network is to have a simple, reliable communications system that doesn't depend on electricity or standing cell phone towers - and that anyone of any age can use."

For more details regarding the National SOS Radio Network, please visit: www.NationalSOS.com.

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6) ARRL Certification and Continuing Education course registration Registration remains open through Sunday, June 4, for these ARRL Certification and Continuing Education (CCE) Program on-line courses: Amateur Radio Emergency Communications Level 2 (EC-002), Amateur Radio Emergency Communications Level 3 (EC-003)

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7) David Ziskind (KE4QLH) has recently found out that anyone who has completed all three ARECC courses is eligible for a Honor Roll certificate. Requests should be emailed to cce@... and include name, call, and mailing address.

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# 158. Volunteers urgently needed

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2006-05-28 23:18:57 UTC
From: Victor Wasilov
Topic: 158  Message: 158

Next weekend the GA Special Olympics will be held at Emory
University. Normally 50 Ham Radio volunteers are needed to staff the
event. Currently there are only 10 volunteers for this years event.
40 additional volunteers are needed. If you can volunteer for a few
hours, a full day, or any portion of the 3 day event please contact
Steve Garrison, N4SEG. Steve's email address is n4seg@....

Here is the event information.

June 2 - 4, 2006
GA Special Olympics State Summer Games Atlanta, GA

The GA Special Olympics will be coming up June 2-4, with
most activities taking place on the Emory University campus in
Atlanta.Once again STEVE GARRISON, N4SEG, is coordinating the
communications for these events. If you can help, please contact him
at n4seg@... .

Thanks and 73,

Victor
KI4HPX

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# 159. New NFARES Team Member

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2006-05-31 00:06:10 UTC
From: Victor Wasilov
Topic: 159  Message: 159

I am pleased to announce a new member.

Tom Burkhart KI4MDU

Please join me in welcoming Tom to the NFARES team.

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# 160. Georgia Braces for Bruising Hurricane Season

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2006-05-31 18:25:25 UTC
From: Victor Wasilov
Topic: 160  Message: 160

OFFICE OF HOMELAND SECURITY
Georgia Emergency Management Agency

SONNY PERDUE
GOVERNOR CHARLEY ENGLISH
DIRECTOR
NEWS RELEASE
Georgia Braces for Bruising Hurricane Season

(ATLANTA) - Weather forecasters are predicting another above-normal hurricane season, and Georgians should be prepared, particularly with the lessons learned from last year's turbulent and historic season.

For the 2006 North Atlantic hurricane season, NOAA predicts 13 to 16 named storms, with eight to 10 becoming hurricanes, of which four to six could become major hurricanes of Category 3 strength or higher. On average, the North Atlantic hurricane season produces 11 named storms, with six becoming hurricanes, including two major hurricanes.

An unprecedented 28 hurricanes and tropical storms formed in the Atlantic Basin last year. Seven of the storms hit the U.S. coastline, including Hurricane Katrina which actually made landfall twice, sweeping along the tip of southern Florida before veering north into the Gulf and turning her fury on the Louisiana-Mississippi coast. The 2005 season also marked the first time that weather officials exhausted the designated list of names and had to turn to the Greek alphabet.

State Climatologist Dr. David Stooksbury, meanwhile, is cautioning that this year's hurricane season could begin early. Stooksbury says surface temperatures in the Caribbean have already reached the critical 82-degree mark necessary for tropical storm development and that temperatures in the Gulf of Mexico are nearing that point. These abnormally warm temperatures increase the probability of an active, early start to the season, he concludes.

Hurricanes and tropical storms can develop before the official beginning of the season. According to National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration (NOAA) archives, the earliest observed Atlantic hurricane occurred on March 7, 1908. The earliest hurricane to strike the U.S. coast was Alma, which hit on June 9, 1966.

"It really doesn't matter how many storms are predicted," says Georgia Emergency Management Agency (GEMA) Director Charley

English. "It only takes the one that makes landfall close to home to impact a community, and we need to be prepared for that."

The Office of Homeland Security (OHS)-GEMA encourages Georgians to develop a family disaster plan, beginning with an awareness of the threats posed by hurricanes such as storm surge, high winds, flooding, thunderstorms and tornadoes. Residents of coastal areas should also be ready to evacuate immediately if necessary, know their evacuation destination, and develop a family reunification plan in case they become separated. Families with pets should make plans in advance for what they would do with their animals in the event of an evacuation.

It is also essential to pack a family disaster kit, including bottled water, non-perishable food, extra clothing and bedding, a flashlight and a radio, extra batteries, and medicines and personal hygiene items. Most importantly, have a battery-powered, tone-activated NOAA weather radio to monitor weather foreasts and warnings. Now is the time to check insurance coverage. Regular homeowners policies do not cover flood damage, but special policies are available. However, they do not take effect until 30 days after they are purchased.

"This most important thing we can emphasize is personal responsibility," says English. "Know the threats and have a plan in place before a storm hits. Don't wait for someone else to take care of you."

While Georgia's coast has not experienced a direct hit by a major hurricane (Category 3 or higher) since 1898, the state has been heavily impacted by tropical weather events over the years. NOAA records show that a total of four Category 2 hurricanes hit the Georgia coast near Savannah between 1911 and 1979, resulting in 68 deaths. In 1989, approximately 175,000 coastal Georgia residents evacuated in the face of Hurricane Hugo, which ultimately hit Charleston. In 1999, Hurricane Floyd threatened Georgia, forcing the evacuation of 3.5 million residents of the Atlantic coast, including an estimated 350,000 Georgians. In 1994, Tropical Storm Alberto stalled over north central Georgia and dumped 21 inches of rain in Americus in one 24-hour period. A presidential disaster declaration covering 55 counties was issued as a result. Most recently, after making landfall, Hurricane Katrina spawned 18 tornadoes across Georgia, the largest number of tornadoes to strike in one day in the state's history.

For more information on the hurricane season and on severe weather preparedness, visit OHS-GEMA's Web site at www.gema.state.ga.us. Other resources include the National Weather Service Web site at www.nws.noaa.gov, the Federal Alliance for Safe Homes site at www.flash.org, and the Red Cross Web site at www.redcross.org.

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# 161. Atlanta Radio Club Hamfest

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2006-06-02 13:57:14 UTC
From: Victor Wasilov
Topic: 161  Message: 161

North Fulton ARES will have a club table at the Atlanta Radio Club
Hamfest tomorrow (Sat. 6/3). Please stop by and say hello.

Thanks

Victor
KI4HPX

# 162. Please welcome six new members to the team

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2006-06-03 23:29:52 UTC
From: Victor Wasilov
Topic: 162  Message: 162

I am pleased to announce six new members.

     Virginia Dominitis N4LIX
Sammy Graham N4YDX
Bill Houston WD4LUQ
Martha Houston KB4RCQ
Robert Martin KF4RPQ
James Ward KG4JSY

Please join me in welcoming them to the team.

Victor
KI4HPX
North Fulton ARES EC

# 163. Please welcome Brian Keahl KI4LZG to the team.

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2006-06-04 20:50:03 UTC
From: Victor Wasilov
Topic: 163  Message: 163

I am pleased to announce a new member.

Brian Keahl KI4LZG

Please join me in welcoming Brian to the team.

# 164. CERT Program Presentation Next Week at NFARL meeting

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2006-06-05 15:17:08 UTC
From: Victor Wasilov
Topic: 164  Message: 164

I will be presenting an overview of the CERT program at this month's North Fulton Amateur Radio League meeting. This is an opportunity to learn more about the Community Emergency Response Teams, the training and commitment required, and the importance of the program. The details are listed below in ED's (KC4ZGK) email. The discussion will also cover CERT programs in Fulton County, Alpharetta, and future programs in other counties.

This is also a great opportunity to meet the other ARES members, have your photo taken so that an ARES ID Card can be issued, and to make new or rekindle old friendships. Also on the agenda will be a discussion concerning future ARES meetings. This will include frequency, location, date and time that suit the majority of our members. If you can't attend this meeting please forward your suggestions to me via email. I would appreciate a response by the end of the month.

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The June meeting will be on the 15th. At Sonny's on Hwy. 9 just north of Roswell Toyota. Dinner will be at 6:30 followed by a 2 part meeting first a presentation by Victor Wasilov on the Alpharetta C.E.R.T. / Fire Corps program. This should prove to be a very interesting presentation. For any of you that do not know the C.E.R.T. and Fire Corps programs are through the Department of Homeland Security and offer citizens the chance to participate in emergency preparedness through structured training. The 2nd part of the meeting will be a roundtable discussion on ideas for club events as well as Field Day site visits!!!! I look forward to seeing you all there!!!

73's Ed KC4ZGK

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# 165. Salute to America Parade volunteers needed

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2006-06-07 00:25:52 UTC
From: Victor Wasilov
Topic: 165  Message: 165

July 4 Parade Volunteers Sought Now it the Time to Sign Up

Communications
If you are HAM radio operator, we are looking to supplement our communication needs down the route. We encourage any individuals or groups to apply. Contact WC4RAV : salute2america@... <mailto:salute2america@wc4rav.org> Have you ever wondered how the Salute 2 America marches down the street on-time and in the correct order? It would be impossible without our great group of volunteers making sure one of the largest 4th of July parades in the nation runs as smoothly as it does. It's a few hours of hard work that pays off in the smiles and applause from the spectators lining the street and on all of the television sets across Georgia.

[Salute 2 America]

You can also learn what goes on behind the scenes to stage such a large-scale LIVE event as well as participate in the excitement involved with putting a parade together as you serve as our eyes and ears the day of the parade.

<http://www.wsbtv.com/station/2906098/detail.html>

As we are always looking for new volunteers, we invite you to consider making this your new 4th of July tradition. There are many opportunities available for you to join the parade and show your community support and patriotism. Everyone is invited to apply, including corporate teams, community organizations and individuals - the parade offers something for everyone! All we ask is that you attend one meeting the end of June, show up on site around 10:30 am, work hard and most of all have fun. You will be given an official parade t-shirt and brunch before your duties begin. --
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# 166. NFARES News

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2006-06-10 15:25:30 UTC
From: Victor Wasilov
Topic: 166  Message: 166

Hello again,

I have a number of items this week. Please read, some of them are requests for information.

Thanks and 73

Victor, KI4HPX

1) Reminder: North Fulton ARES net this Sunday at 7:30 PM on 145.470 Please call into the net at least monthly.

2) If you haven't already done so, please visit the NFARES website (www.fultonares.org). It has been updated with new information.

I have added a "Guest Book" on the welcome page. It would be great if you would sign it and leave a comment.

I have added a new page to our website entitled "Local ARES & ARC Nets". Please take a look at the list and let me know which I have missed and need to be added. Also please mention any error's that need to be corrected.

I have also added some new links on the "link page". One in particular has great information on preparing for disasters. Please check it out.

3) I'm working to update our member information and trying to understand what the level of training and radio capabilities are within the team. If you have not done so, please fill out and return the membership application. It is on the website (MS Word document). You can either email the completed application to me at nfulton.ares@... or send it via regular mail to the PO Box address listed n the website.

For those of you that have completed any of the FEMA or ARRL emergency communication courses, please also send copies of the certificates. All of the government agencies and hospitals are now requiring FEMA ISC 100 & 700 as minimum training and strongly recommend the ARRL ECC-001 be completed.

I can not issue NFARES membership cards until I have a completed application and copies of the training certificates. If an emergency strikes, your ability to assist will be extremely limited without this minimal level of training and the certificates on file.

4) Crawford Long Hospital will be FEMA compliant and have their Amateur Radio antennas installed by the end of this month. They are

looking for six volunteer amateur radio operators to form a team that would support the hospital with amateur radio communications in a disaster emergency. The volunteers need to have completed the FEMA ISC-100 and ISC-700 courses. Also, they will have to attend the hospitals "volunteer training". This training will cover HIPAA privacy regulations and hospital policies and procedures. Anyone interested in this opportunity please contact me directly. This is a great opportunity to get involved.

5) The Alpharetta EOC has been moved from the Alpharetta Fire HQ to Alpharetta Dispatch at Police HQ. The radio equipment has been moved but the antennas still need to be relocated to the new location. I am looking for 4 volunteers to help with relocating the antennas. Please contact me if you're willing to help. The move will be on a Saturday. Once I know who is willing to help, I will work with the dispatch and the volunteers to set a date that works for everyone. Keep in mind Hurricane season is already here. We need to be ready and that means having the equipment operational. Please volunteer.

6) I know some of you have been receiving duplicate emails. One from the yahoo groups reflector and another from the nfulton.ares site. The reason is that not all members are signed up on the NFARES Yahoo groups. To minimize duplication and make sure everyone is getting the information, please take a moment and sign up on the Yahoo Groups NFARES. Here is the URL.
http://groups.yahoo.com/group/nfares/

This will make life easier for everyone.

That's it for now. Please help by volunteering for some of the opportunities mentioned, don't forget about the membership application and training certificates, and please join us on the Sunday night net.

Thanks and 73

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# 167. NFARES Website has been updated with new information

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2006-06-11 22:57:38 UTC
From: Victor Wasilov
Topic: 167  Message: 167

The NFARES website (www.fultonares.org) has been updated with new information.
These are the pages that have been updated.

1) Local ARES and ARC Nets
2) Member Roster

A NEW page has been added.

1) Local Training Events

Also, in the upper left hand corner I have addded two ne links.

1) Link to sign up for the NFARES email reflector.
2) Link to sign the NFARES Guest Book / View the NFARES Guest Book.

Thanks and 73

Victor
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# 168. Volunteers still needed for the Peachtree Road Race on July 4th

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2006-06-18 21:42:20 UTC
From: Victor Wasilov
Topic: 168  Message: 168

David, KE4QLH, still needs a few volunteers for this year's Peachtree Road Race on July 4. Anyone interested should email David at KE4QLH@....

# 169. Class Schedule for CERT Class starting July 19

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2006-06-20 17:29:40 UTC
From: Victor Wasilov
Topic: 169  Message: 169

This is the class schedule for the Alpharetta Fire and Emergency Services CERT Class starting July 19th. City of Alpharetta residency is not required. All are welcome to register. The application, consent form, instructions for registration and contact information can be found on the website: www.alpharettacitizencorps.org
Prior registration is required. For further information you may contact Lieutenant Gary Robinson at 678-297-6293.

Please email me with any questions you might have.

73

Victor, KI4HPX

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JULY-SEPT 2006 CERT CLASS

Day & Time of Class: Every Wednesday 6 PM-9 PM

Location: Roswell Alpharetta Public Safety Training Center, 11565 Maxwell Road, Alpharetta, GA 30004

Class #1 July 19th
Chapter 1 - Disaster Preparedness
Instructor: Lt. Gary Robinson

Class #2 July 26th
Chapter 6 - CERT Organization
Instructors: John Tanner/Captain Jennifer Tadrzak
Chapter 2 - Fire Safety
Instructors: Barry Curley/Captain Jennifer Tadrzak

Class #3 August 2nd
Chapter 3 - Disaster Medical OPS (1)
Instructors: Captain Jennifer Tadrzak/Brad Denkinger

Class #4 August 9th
Chapter 4 - Disaster Medical OPS (2)
Instructors: Captain Jennifer Tadrzak/Brad Denkinger

Class #5 August 16th
Chapter 5 - Light search & Rescue
Instructors: Brad Denkinger/Brian Martin
Chapter 7 - Diaster Psychology
Instructor: Captain Jennifer Tadrzak

Class #6 - August 23rd
Chapter 8 - Terrorism
Instructors: Justin Wilson/Wes McCall
Final Practical
All Instructors

Class #7 - August 30th
CPR
Instructor: Lt. Gary Robinson

Class #8 - September 6th
CPR
Instructor: Lt. Gary Robinson

# 170. Tonights NFARES net will be held on the 147.060 MHz Repeater

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2006-06-25 21:04:21 UTC
From: Victor Wasilov
Topic: 170  Message: 170

The 145.470 MHz repeater seems to be down. I can't get a response from it and Fred is out of town. Therefore, tonight the NFARES net will be held on the 147.060 MHz repeater. Sorry for the late notice. I just discovered the problem.

Victor
KI4HPX

# 171. Requesting your input.

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2006-06-27 16:58:21 UTC
From: Victor Wasilov
Topic: 171  Message: 171

Hello again.

Some of the NFARES members have suggested starting a Simplex Net on Tuesday evenings at 7:30 PM. The purpose of the net would be to test, discuss and improve Simplex operations. In addition to being a lot of fun, it would also have a very valuable purpose. None of us have to be reminded of "Murphy's Law". While we have become accustomed to relying on the local repeaters, in some emergency / disaster situations we may not have that luxury and will have to depend on Simplex for emergency communications. Now is the time not only for testing our Simplex capabilities but also to establish Simplex networks with other ARES teams. To really understand how far we can communicate using a Simplex relay and what the best routes are to reach specific ARES teams or the EOC's in those counties. That's the fun part. This really depends on you the team and whether you are willing to support and participate in the Simplex net. I would appreciate your feedback. It doesn't have to lengthy. Just a simple Yes, I will participate or No, I am not interested. One other thing, this has to be a directed net or it will not work. That means we need volunteers to be the NCS on each net. The participants need to take turns as NCS. That means no volunteer for a specific week, then no net that week. I will need to have commitments up front, prior to the first of each month. If the membership agrees this is a good idea and is willing to support the net by participating, I will post the Simplex Net information and NCS schedule on the NFARES website.

The proposed start date would be Tuesday, July 12. Please respond with your comments by July 5th so that I have sufficient time to notify everyone, secure commitments for NCS's for specific weeks, and to post the information on the website.

Thank you.

73

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# 172. SKYWARN Training

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2006-06-28 00:16:46 UTC
From: Victor Wasilov
Topic: 172  Message: 172

If you are interested in attending SKYWARN training please respond to
this email by Jul 12. If we get 10 or more people I will make
arrangements to have the training in Alpharetta.

Thanks

73

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# 173. Please welcome our newest member

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2006-06-28 00:40:58 UTC
From: Victor Wasilov
Topic: 173  Message: 173

Please join me in welcoming our newest member to the team. Danny Allen, AG4PR.

73

Victor
KI4HPX

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# 174. NFARES net on Sunady July 2

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2006-07-01 12:49:58 UTC
From: Victor Wasilov
Topic: 174  Message: 174

The 145.470 repeater is still down. We will be using the backup
repeater for this Sunday's ARES net. The frequency is 147.060 MHz.
No tone.

73

Victor
KI4HPX

# 175. The NFARES website has been updated

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2006-07-01 21:19:10 UTC
From: Victor Wasilov
Topic: 175  Message: 175

The NFARES website has been updated. A new section has been added.

73

Victor

# 176. Need your help

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2006-07-06 22:52:32 UTC
From: Victor Wasilov
Topic: 176  Message: 176

Hello:

I need a volunteer to be the NCS for August 6. Please let me know if you can help out.

Also, it would be helpful to have additional NCS's to run the net. Whether it's once a month or once a quarter, it would help. Please volunteer if you can.

Thanks

73

Victor

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# 177. NFARES Website has been updated with new information

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2006-07-09 14:50:28 UTC
From: Victor Wasilov
Topic: 167  Message: 177

The NF ARES website has been updated and new material added.

1) NEW: Amateur Radio Emergency Communications Presentations Page

2) Updated: Hospital Support Teams Page

3) Updated: ARES Current News Page

4) Updated: NFARES Nets, Meetings, & Frequencies Page

Please join us on the Sunday Night NFARES Net. Freq: 145.470 @ 7:30 PM

73

Victor
KI4HPX

# 178. Welcome our newest member Christopher Hutton KF4YDH

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2006-07-11 22:48:49 UTC
From: Victor Wasilov
Topic: 178  Message: 178

Please join me in welcoming our newest member.

Christopher Hutton, KF4YDH

Chris has recently returned home from Iraq.
He served there with the 48th Infantry Brigade.

73
Victor
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# 179. Sunday Night ARES net

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2006-07-27 12:40:52 UTC
From: Victor Wasilov
Topic: 179  Message: 179

The 145.470 MHz repeater is not working. We will be conducting the NFARES Sunday evening net on the backup repeater 147.060 MHz until further notice.

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Victor

# 180. Sunday Aug 6 ARES Net

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2006-08-05 22:27:26 UTC
From: Victor Wasilov
Topic: 180  Message: 180

Net control for this Sunday's NFARES net will be Sean, N4SHM.
The 145.470 repeater is working again and starting this week we will
be conducting the net on that repeater.

Please remember when the 145.470 machine is not working the net will
be on the 147.060 backup repeater.

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Victor

# 181. Volunteers urgently needed

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2006-08-05 22:28:38 UTC
From: Victor Wasilov
Topic: 158  Message: 181

Volunteers urgently needed to finish the final installation of the antenna at the Fulton County Emergency Management Agency.

Saturday August 12, 2006

9:00 AM - 1:00 PM

We need 8 people to complete the installation.

We need your commitment by Tuesday August 8, 2006 so that we can make arrangements for entry into the building and FREE parking in the basement.

Fulton County Government: Emergency Management Agency
(404) 730-5600
130 Peachtree St SW # G157
Atlanta, GA 30303

Use the M.L.K. exit off of Interstates 85/75. The Peachtree Street bridge is closed for repairs.

Please contact KI4HPX or W4CNG if you are able to help.

ki4hpx@...

w4cng@bellsouth.net

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# 182. Welsome Bret, N4BTA to the NFARES team

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2006-09-03 22:54:16 UTC
From: Victor Wasilov
Topic: 182  Message: 182

Please join me in welcoming Bret, N4BTA as the newest member of the NFARES team.

Victor
KI4HPX
NFARES EC

# 183. Response requested: ARRL Simulated Emergency Test

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2006-09-12 14:15:11 UTC
From: Victor Wasilov
Topic: 183  Message: 183

The ARRL Simulated Emergency Test is a nationwide exercise in emergency communications. I am trying to determine the level of participation for this year's NFARES SET. The date for the SET would be Saturday, October 7th from 9:00 AM to 11:00 AM.

Please respond to via email ( nfulton.ares@gmail.com ) indicating whether you will or will not be participating in the SET. Your response is important. The SET will be structured based on the number of participants.

Thanks

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# 184. Please read: Emergency Drill on Sept 20

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2006-09-19 13:44:29 UTC
From: Victor Wasilov
Topic: 184  Message: 184

Asking for 5 min of your time this Wed.

Attached is an announcement for a SET drill being conducted on Wed. 9/20 by the 165th Air National Guard in Savana. They are requestion participation by GA ARES members to demonstrate the ARES ability to support emergency communications via amateur radio.

Please sent a message either via HF voice, VHF voice or Winlink. The details are below. You may also sign in locally starting at 7 AM until 7 PM on 146.955 (-) 77 Hz. The Net Call Sign is WX4PCA. This net will be conducted by Paulding County and messages will be relayed to savana via HF by the NCS. Please identify yourself as a member of NFARES. You may also send a Winlink message . The address is : n4pjr@.... The other VHF option is to sign in to the W4BOC Brown Bag net on 146.76 PL 107.2 between Noon and 1 PM. They will forward the sign in info to Savanah. Please identify yourself as a member of NFARES.
For HF please see the information below.

Please let me know if you sign into any of the nets or participate in any way in this exercise. I need to report to how many of our members actually participated.

Sorry for the short notice. This will only take 5 min of your time. Please participate if at all possible.

Thanks
and 73

Victor

HURRICANE SAVANNAH

MISSION: The 165th Air National Guard Savannah, Ga. has asked that we incorporate Amateur Radio into this drill. A demonstration of ARES communications for disaster communication working with Air National Guard will be tested using HF, VHF, DIGITAL WINLINK SYSTEM

DATE: Wednesday, Sept 20, 2006

TIME: 0700 ☐ 1900 hours local. ARES may be completed and asked to stand down early upon orders from Lt. Dale Sharp.

LOCATIONS: Air National Guard Travis Field Savannah Georgia, Henry Tift Airport Tifton, Georgia, Dobbins Air Base Marietta, Georgia, Cobb County ARES / Cobb County EOC Marietta Georgia and OHS/GEMA State Operations Center Atlanta Georgia along with any other deemed site set in scenario by Air National Guard.

POINTS OF CONTACT FOR SAVANNAH: Ga. State HF ARES Net. 3.975 MHz., Air National Guard Savannah, Chatham County EOC. DOBBINS Joint Operations Center and TIFTON Airfield sites. COBB County ARES, OHS/GEMA SOC.

POINTS OF COMMUNICATIONS FOR THE ATLANTA AREA: Ga. State HF ARES Net. 3.975 MHz., DOBBINS Joint Operations Center, Cobb Co. ARES, Savannah and Tifton sites and OHS/GEMA SOC.

POINTS OF COMMUNICATIONS FOR TIFTON AREA: Tift Co. EOC, Tift Henry Airport; Tifton Regional Medical Hospital, Dobbins Joint Operations Center Marietta, Ga. and Savannah Ga. sites.

MODES OF OPERATION: HF / SSB 3.975 MHz, 7.275 LSB, DIGITAL PACTOR, WINLINK, VHF/UHF FM VOICE, LOCAL PACKET TELPAC NODES. Local Savannah amateurs may call in via 2 Meter Simplex 146.520 for those in the immediate Savannah, Ga. Area.

RESOURCES HF NET: SSB NET CALLED BY K4GK band conditions permitting may call for multiple relay stations to be on frequency. NCS back up will be Charles WA4UJC in the event propagation changes and relief for primary NCS.

We welcome Alabama ARES to the table and will also be participating in this net for relay purposes. Out of State Stations are valuable as relay stations during and actual emergency.

Remember ANY AND ALL INFORMATION TRANSMITTED in relation to this drill should have a statement made prior to the message and after it .

"THIS IS ONLY A DRILL" We do not want to alarm other person(s) listening thinking this is really happening and thank goodness it is not.

SCENARIOS: The Air National Guard 165th Med Unit will be setting up a portable MASH Unit in Savannah, Ga. Simulation of a disaster from a major hurricane called Hurricane Savannah. There will be multiple emergency scenarios' some local and others needing outside assistance and messages sent to. Patients involved in several emergency incidents will be triaged, treated and loaded onto a C-130 and transported to Henry Tift Airport in Tifton, Ga.

Upon arrival at Tifton Critical Care and severe patients will be transported to Tifton Regional hospital for admittance. Once this has been tasked they will be reloaded and flown back to Savannah to end exercise.

Our task is to get communications from Savannah to Dobbins Air Base and Tifton Airport of multiple messages given to us by the ANG and other officials. Information will be relayed as to how many patients, (status) of conditions, departure and arrival of the air hospital unit.

UNDER NO CIRCUMSTANCES WILL PATIENTS NAMES, MEDICAL CONDITIONS OR OTHER PERSONEL INFORMATION BE TRANSMITTED DUE TO HIPPA LAWS.

In a true disaster the NIMS (National Incident Management System will be used to communicate. Plain English language is to be used in sending and receiving all messages for this drill as well. For this drill ARRL Radiograms will not be used unless needed.

PATICIPATION USING HF: From 0700 hrs eastern time until 1900 hrs eastern Net Control will call for check-ins on the top of every hour on 3.975 LSB. +/-. At the bottom of each hour Net Control will take all check-ins on 40 meters @ 7.275 +/- Depending upon availability and the amount of messages and check-ins and propagation on 80 and 40 meters.

You may check in multiple times during the day from home, automobile, EOC giving you multiple chances to test your equipment for readiness. If communications cannot be made by HF voice with or without relays or from a local ARES 2 meter net relay, then a Winlink resource should be used to get that message thru so that your check in will be counted. Send an email from anywhere you are located to n4pjr@... or chask4gk@... to be counted.

ASSIGNED WINLINK STATIONS DOBBINS, SAVANNAH, TIFTON, OHS/GEMA: Once assigned stations are at there post and set up should call into the Net Control Station K4GK Charles Pennington on 3.975 LSB. To test communications via voice. Once your digital station has been is set up and operational call send a message to primary site locations Savannah, Tifton, Dobbins and OHS/GEMA WX4GMA via winlink of your status and readiness. See Winlink Airmail SOP at end of this briefing.

PARTICIPATION USING WINLINK: Anyone wishing from there residence, work, mobile, EOC wishing to check in as a participant to the drill can send a winlink message to N4PJR@... and your check in will be counted in this drill. Please indicate your location i.e. work, home etc. and method of transmission being internet, Telpac node from HF digital Pactor thru a PMBO.

This is the importance of multiple modes and the relay system. This is why they call the ARRL the American Radio Relay League.

EC's are encouraged to have someone in their assigned area or county call a local area net, take check ins and relay them via HF SSB to K4GK or the WINLINK system.

OHS/GEMA SOC WX4GMA will be on VHF 145.410- (MATPARC) as primary and have 146.82- pl146.2 (ARC) as back-up.

TACTICAL CALL SIGNS: if used....

When using amateur frequencies you still must ID with your FCC assigned call signs. An accepted method that has been in use over the years is at the end of a QSO to sign using your tactical call

sign followed by your FCC call sign.

An example might be: "roger Rambo 1 this is Lost 2, KK4Z out". The 10 min ID rule is still in effect, but most tactical calls are less then 10 minutes. If the 10 minute mark is reached then use the Tactical Call Sign / FCC call sign.

HURRICAINE SAVANNAH

Assigned Drill personnel and locations.

165th AIR NATIONAL GUARD Savannah, Georgia

N4VAD Greg Tillman MCP WINLINK

K4TMT Terri Tillman 2m

N4PJR Jim Cote MCP HF SSB

W4WDT Dan Thornton 2M MCP

N4CVF Kurt Hoffman HF VOICE/ 2M

KI4ORR Vern Quathamer 2M roving

K4SDJ Steve Jonas HF / 2M fixed station

W4SWJ Susanne Jonas 2m roving

W4WTO Bob Harmon Observing

KG4SZS Bill Elmore Observing

Chatham County EOC

KC4MKD David Swindell HF/2M

K4WP Bill Deloach HF/2M

KG4BKO Bill Collins HF/2M

KG4SZS Bill Elmore Observing

W4WTO Bob Harmon Observing

Tifton Georgia Site

KE4RJI Paul Boyd 2m HF-Tift Regional Medical Center

W4AYK Gene Clark HF Winlink ops-Tifton Fire Dept Station 1
KI4JQR John Ruberson 2m relay-Tifton Airport
KI4JQS Matthew Ruberson 2m Tifton Fire Dept Station 1

Dobbins Air Base Joint Operations Center

KK4Z Scott Royle HF / ARES MAT

AG4ZR David Benoist HF/ ARES MAT

N4DQ Jere Couch HF / ARES MAT

Cobb County ARES/Cobb County EOC

Operators Pending

OHS/GEMA State Operations Center

WX4GMA Tom Holcombe (K5AES) HF/Telpac/2M FM

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SOP FOR ARES-MAT WINLINK/AIRMAIL OPERATIONS

The purpose of this SOP is to establish operational procedures for GA ARES-MAT using Winlink/Airmail under tactical/emergency conditions.

The scope of this document covers the use of Winlink/Airmail. It does not cover any of the other digital modes that may be used by GA ARES-MAT.

Predeployment:

This is the planning stage for the tactical use of Winlink/Airmail. The DEC for ARES-MAT will receive a briefing from the served agency detailing their needs and our ability to accomplish the mission. The DEC will then make assignments based on availability of members and skill level needed to perform the task. The DEC will assign one member to be the Net Control Station (NCS) for the Winlink/Airmail net. The NCS will usually be the station located at the served agency's headquarters.

Deployment:

All stations will deploy to their respective locations. The NCS will start monitoring Airmail approximately every 30 minutes after the deployed units have left. If the internet Telnet is available then that should be used so as not to tie up the PMBO's. When the deployed units reach their destination and set up their station they will send an email via Airmail to the NCS with their actual location, that they are now operational as of (date/time stamp) and any other pertinent information. The NCS will reply to this message stating that is was received and answer any questions the deployed station may have. In this instance the NCS will always reply to the deployed station to show that the deployed station is working properly. When all the deployed stations have checked into the NCS, the NCS will send an email to all deployed stations with a list of all the stations that are operational and where they are located.

While Deployed:

It may not be necessary to check Airmail every 30 minutes after all deployed units reach their destination. Mission requirements and power conservation for the deployed units may necessitate a longer or shorter check times. This will be determined by the NCS and the served agency. If no time is set then the deployed unit should state in their last email when they plan to check Airmail next.

Stand Down:

Each deployed station should send an email to the NCS when it is standing down or moving to a new location. If moving to a new location an approximate time should be given when the station plans to be back on the air.

Emergency Traffic:

The unit originating the emergency traffic will send a copy to the recipient and to the NCS. In case the recipient is not at their computer or has gone off duty the NCS can find that person or his replacement and notify them that there is emergency traffic. If available, the NCS can print the message and hand deliver it. Before the NCS leaves his station to deliver the message he will send a return receipt to the originating station.

The originating station will state in the subject line and the first line of the body of the message in capital letters "EMERGECNY" message. At the bottom of the message the originating station will state when it expects a reply by (try to give ample time for the recipient to work on the issue). If there is no response by the message's reply time then the originating station will resend the message as before expect add the words in capital letters after emergency "SECOND ATTEMPT". This will continue incrementing the attempt number until the message is answered.

For the deployed unit the same procedure would take place if there is email for the recipient except that the deployed units e-mail would be used also. If email is not available then only send it to the deployed unit's email address and the NCS. If the NCS is the originating station then only the deployed unit's address is necessary.

Routine Traffic:

Routine traffic does not have to go through the NCS and can be emailed directly to the recipient. Priority or Emergency traffic should have the NCS on copy.

Return Receipt Requested:

Not all traffic requires acknowledgement. Routine traffic unless specified by the words "return receipt requested" at the bottom of the message will not be return receipted. Priority and Emergency

traffic will always be return receipted.

Voice Mode:

If voice mode is available it can be used to augment this SOP. However, this SOP is designed as a worse case scenario in that only a digital mode is available and all the rules in this SOP shall be followed even though voice is available.

Looking forward to working with everyone and I thank everyone for their support and participation in this exercise. I know this was difficult for a lot of volunteers wanting to participate and could not due to work schedules and prior commitments however this drill was designed to make it as easy as possible for all ARES members and amateurs both in and out of state to be involved.

Greg Tillman N4VAD

ASEC Ga. ARES Operations

# 185. Reminder: Hurricane Savannah

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2006-09-20 11:47:40 UTC
From: Victor Wasilov
Topic: 185  Message: 185

Please take the two minutes and check into one of the nets listed
below for the Hurricane Savannah Disaster Drill. You can also check
in via high frequency per my previous message.

Thanks

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# 186. Re: Response requested: ARRL Simulated Emergency Test

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2006-09-24 19:42:28 UTC
From: Jim Stafford
Topic: 183  Message: 186

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teach that day from 9 to 2PM. So unless you decide to move the date
(which is usually possible) I can't help.

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# 187. RE: [nfares] Re: Response requested: ARRL Simulated Emergency Test

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2006-09-25 03:10:18 UTC
From: Doug Reed
Topic: 183  Message: 187

Victor,

Sorry but Christine (N3CFV) and I will be out of town that weekend.

Doug, N3AIA

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From: nfares@yahoogroups.com [mailto:nfares@yahoogroups.com] On Behalf Of Jim Stafford
Sent: Sunday, September 24, 2006 3:42 PM
To: nfares@yahoogroups.com
Subject: [nfares] Re: Response requested: ARRL Simulated Emergency Test

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# 188. Hurricane TEST "results"

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2006-09-25 02:14:30 UTC
From: Jim Stafford
Topic: 185  Message: 188

Victor and all.

Heard Susan's pitch at the meeting last TUE and decided to check out my setup. Here is what I found:

1. Didn't have a mike for my HF rig. Can you believe this? Well, I have mikes but couldn't find one for a while. I wanted to use my "new" ICOM756 that I bought off ebay a month ago. It did not come with a mike so found one on an old ICOM 440 rig I had laying around. Worked great.

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3. Thought I'd check in with the Elecraft K2 on QRP SSB. This rig is borrowed from NoGA QRP club. Anyway, the SSB didn't work or I could not make it work. Does this clue you - I'm a 99.9% CW op. I was on battery power the whole time and thought the QRP rig would be a way to extend my batteries. Well, had to stay on the 50w HF 756 but found out that the batteries lasted for 6 hours at minimum, albeit mostly listening.

4. The 2m rig in the shack works pretty good on the inside mag mount for getting to the .47 machine but this "drill" was on the 145.41 machine. I could not get in solidly (embarrassing as I'm the trustee for that machine) so went out and reinstalled my 2M vertical at about 18 feet and now solid into machine. Also, since that machine is used by ATL ARES for a Sunday net, I felt like I should get a remote going up in this area (NW) so worked on a remote setup I had and got it going. Now hoping to install on Sweat Mtn and give all of NF good access to that machine in central downtown ATL.

5. While I was at it, reinstalled an outdoor 440 antenna too at 15 feet.

6. Found some mic problems and fixed some of them.

Soooooo are these tests worthwhile? I am convinced they are. Keep an eye out for the next one - SET??

Jim/w4qo

# 189. NFARES Update

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2006-09-29 01:17:55 UTC
From: Victor Wasilov
Topic: 189  Message: 189

Good evening:

Here is the latest news.

1) Please join me in welcoming two new NFARES members.

John Stafford W4QO
Tom Koch W4UOC

2) The NFARES website has been updated.

3) I would like to thank the Mark Fick, KD4LET and Tom Koch, W4UOC for volunteering to be members of the Northside Hospital Emergency Response Team.

We still need additional volunteers for Northside Hospital as well and Crawford Long Hospital and Emory Hospital at Johns Creek. Please let me know if you are interested in joining one of the hospital teams.

4) There is a very strong possibility that I may have to be out of town next weekend. (Oct 7 & 8). I had planned on conducting our annual SET on Oct 7. Unfortunately I may not be available. Please let me know if you are interested in running the SET next Saturday between 9 AM and 11 AM. Otherwise I will probably have yo cancel it.

5) Some of you have probably noticed that the level of communication and website updates have slowed down. It's not a lack of interest on my part. There is a great deal that needs to get done to make NFARES a viable and effective team. Due to recent changes at work, the time I have to devote to this effort has been reduced. This can be the best ARES team in George but it will take more than one person to make that happen.

I'm looking for some volunteers to fill the open AEC positions. Please let me know if you are interested in any of the positions. A list of the openings and a descriptions of the responsibilities for each position is available on the NFARES website. Don't be shy. You just might enjoy it.

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# 190. S.E.T. date

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2006-09-29 02:56:12 UTC
From: Jim Stafford
Topic: 189  Message: 190

Victor,

I was reading in one of the directives on the SET that it does not have to be on the 7th. I'm not available that day either which is no big deal but I'd say you don't have to cancel it if you can't be around. Pick another Saturday or Sunday afternoon for example. Few people have serious conflicts between 3 and 6 on Sunday (Falcons game not valid!)

Just a thought.

Jim/W4QO

PS Hi Tom Koch! Long time no see...

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# 191. NEW STATEWIDE ARES MEETING INFO

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2006-09-29 17:27:14 UTC
From: Victor Wasilov
Topic: 191  Message: 191

Just in case you do not receive Susan's (AF4FO) GEORGIA SECTION ON MY MIND email.

NEW STATEWIDE ARES MEETING INFO--- Hopefully, you've already put the date for next year's meeting into your planning calendar. It will once again be held at the Public Service Training facility in Forsyth, on January 27th. Here's something NEW that we are tentatively planning to add to the happenings for that day: an EmComm test session. How about that? Since the grant money has gone away to reimburse you for the cost of taking those great ARRL EmComm courses, this special test session would offer you the opportunity to earn certification for these courses for a lesser out-of-pocket cost to you. There is a standard ten dollar fee for the testing for each of the three course levels. We are requesting a PRE-REGISTRATION of sorts, so we have a better understanding of how many of you would like to take a test, and which course level test(s) you want to take. To register, please notify GREG TILLMAN, N4VAD, by the end of December. So far, SANDY DONAHUE, W4RU,and I are penciled in to serve as examiners, and depending on the response, we may be asking for assistance from some of you other Certified Examiners, as needed. (NOTE: If you've already successfully completed all three levels, you are qualified to register as a CE) This test session would most likely be held following the general meeting,but the details are still to be decided. Interested? Please let Greg know.

# 192. Re: Hurricane TEST "results"

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2006-09-30 23:42:19 UTC
From: Victor Wasilov
Topic: 185  Message: 192

Jim:

Excellent. Thanks for sharing. We can all learn from your
experience. Just think if this had been an actual emergency.

We all have other responsibilities and sometimes we tend to put off
getting the "ham shack" ready for an emergency. I know that was my
case until I read your email. I had reconfigured my shack and never
go around to reconnecting the TNC or sound card. I'm happy to say
that I have corrected that situation.

Thanks for reminding us that we may not be as prepared as we think
and now is the time to correct the situation. Not when an actual
emergency strikes.

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> by ATL ARES for a Sunday net, I felt like I should get a remote
going
> up in this area (NW) so worked on a remote setup I had and got it
> going. Now hoping to install on Sweat Mtn and give all of NF good
> access to that machine in central downtown ATL.
>
> 5. While I was at it, reinstalled an outdoor 440 antenna too at 15
feet.
>
> 6. Found some mic problems and fixed some of them.
>
> Soooooo are these tests worthwhile? I am convinced they are. Keep
> an eye out for the next one - SET??
>
> Jim/w4qo
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# 193. North Fulton ARES Simulated Emergency Test

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2006-09-30 23:13:27 UTC
From: Victor Wasilov
Topic: 193  Message: 193

North Fulton ARES Simulated Emergency Test

This is a TEST and NOT an Actual Event

All traffic relating to this exercise must indicate that this is an "ARES EXERCISE" in the subject line.

Date: October 7, 2006

Time: 9:00 AM ☐ 11:00 AM

SCENARIO

1. SITUATION: The National Weather Service has issued a severe weather advisory indicating severe thunderstorms and possible tornados anticipated to cross the Alabama ☐ Georgia border on a northerly line stretching from Carroll County to Polk County at approximately 6:00 AM. This weather pattern will pose a danger to Fulton, Douglas, Paulding and Cobb Counties for the next four to five hours. High probability of tornadoes and hail during this time period.

2. MISSION: All stations should be prepared to execute the following:

1. Check into the NFARES net
2. Be prepared to issue Situation Reports & After Action Reports
3. If regular communications fail, be prepared to provide backup communications to Local/State Emergency Response Agencies as requested.
4. Stations outside the immediate affected area should standby to receive/relay emergency traffic.

3. RESPONSE: All stations have been put on Alert and have been notified that an

Emergency Net will be activated at 9:00 AM. All responding station will check

into the net. Members may check into the net as follows:

a. Primary repeater 145.470 (-) No Tone

b. Back-up repeater 147.060 (+) No Tone

c. Winlink ki4mdu@... <mailto:ki4mdu@...g>

When checking in please indicate if you are using emergency power.

# 194. Re: S.E.T. date

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2006-09-30 23:45:29 UTC
From: Victor Wasilov
Topic: 189  Message: 194

Jim:

I am pleased to announce that Tom, KI4MDU has agreed to act as NCS for the SET on 10/7 if I have to go out of town. I will not know my travel plans until Wed. There is still an chance I will not have to travel.

Thanks for the suggestion.

73

Victor

--- In nfares@yahoogroups.com, "Jim Stafford" <w4qo@...> wrote:
>
> Victor,
>
> I was reading in one of the directives on the SET that it does not
> have to be on the 7th. I'm not available that day either which is
no
> big deal but I'd say you don't have to cancel it if you can't be
> around. Pick another Saturday or Sunday afternoon for example.
Few
> people have serious conflicts between 3 and 6 on Sunday (Falcons
game
> not valid!)
>
> Just a thought.
>
> Jim/W4QO
>
> PS Hi Tom Koch! Long time no see...
>
> --- In nfares@yahoogroups.com, "Victor Wasilov" <nfulton.ares@>
wrote:
>
> >
> > 4) There is a very strong possibility that I may have to be out
of
> > town next weekend. (Oct 7 & 8). I had planned on conducting our
> > annual SET on Oct 7. Unfortunately I may not be available.
Please
> > let me know if you are interested in running the SET next
Saturday
> > between 9 AM and 11 AM. Otherwise I will probably have yo cancel
it.

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# 195. Re: [nfares] NEW STATEWIDE ARES MEETING INFO

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2006-09-29 19:16:09 UTC
From: Jim Stafford
Topic: 191  Message: 195

Victor,

Perhaps you can clarify for me. How would one go about getting ready for the test - get the book and study on your own? I was about to sign up thru ARRL for the Course I which starts around Nov. 1 but if I can simply buy the book (which I understand I can), and take the test, I might like to go that way.

From what Susan's message says, I think I can presume there is no course being taught, is there? In other words how does this approach say some money. It costs $45 to do it thru ARRL as a member.

Thanks,

Jim
>
> From: "Victor Wasilov" <nfulton.ares@...>
> Date: 2006/09/29 Fri PM 01:27:14 EDT
> To: nfares@yahoogroups.com
> Subject: [nfares] NEW STATEWIDE ARES MEETING INFO
>
Since the grant money has gone
> away to reimburse you for the cost of taking those great ARRL EmComm
> courses, this special test session would offer you the opportunity
> to earn certification for these courses for a lesser out-of-pocket
> cost to you.

# 196. Re: [nfares] NEW STATEWIDE ARES MEETING INFO

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2006-10-01 02:09:52 UTC
From: tom burkhart
Topic: 191  Message: 196

Jim,

I took the EC-001 test at the Cobb ARES meeting in August, and passed with out using the official textbook. I used a couple of web sites to gather the information The Kentucky ares group has their own certification, and their on line course is available at http://www.kyham.net/emcomm/training/kytest.html. They have other good information on the http://www.kyham.net/emcomm/training.html page.

Also there is http://www.w0ipl.net/ , the Colorado Emcom training site.

The page on the Fulton ARES site also has good info
http://fultonares.org/training/index.htm

About 90% of the questions on the test I took were covered on these 3 sites.

Of course the official book would be much better, but if you are looking tor a cheap solution, or just looking to get a head start while waiting for the official book to arrive, these are a good start.

Anybody else have suggestion on material for EC-002?

Tom
KI4MDU

Jim Stafford wrote:
> Victor,
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> Perhaps you can clarify for me. How would one go about getting ready for the test - get the book and study on your own? I was about to sign up thru ARRL for the Course I which starts around Nov. 1 but if I can simply buy the book (which I understand I can), and take the test, I might like to go that way.
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> Thanks,
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> Jim
>
>> From: "Victor Wasilov" <nfulton.ares@...>
>> Date: 2006/09/29 Fri PM 01:27:14 EDT
>> To: nfares@yahoogroups.com
>> Subject: [nfares] NEW STATEWIDE ARES MEETING INFO
>>
>>

> Since the grant money has gone
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>> away to reimburse you for the cost of taking those great ARRL EmComm
>> courses, this special test session would offer you the opportunity
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Version: 7.1.407 / Virus Database: 268.12.10/459 - Release Date: 9/29/2006

# 197. The first NFARES meeting this month

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2006-10-02 23:38:18 UTC
From: Victor Wasilov
Topic: 197  Message: 197

I am pleased to announce the first NFARES meeting will take place this month and will continue each month going forward. The details of the location is listed below with additional information about the North Fulton Amateur Radio League meeting.

The NFARES meeting will start at 6:30 PM each month followed by the NFARL meeting starting at 7:30 PM.

Please join us if at all possible. I look forward to meeting all those I have not met and seeing those of you I have met before.

If you have completed any of the FEMA or ARRL EmComm courses and have not submitted your certificates please bring copies to the meeting. The FEMA courses are now being required to have an ARES membership card issued. The Level 1 ARRL EmComm course is a big plus.

73

Victor
KI4HPX

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Hello Ladies and Gentlemen,

We are pleased to announce that NFARL is now going to have a new meeting place that is more conducive to guest speakers and programs. It will no longer be in a restaurant. We have been given the use of the Alpharetta EOC, Emergency Operations Center from the city of Alpharetta. This EOC is located directly behind Fire Station #1 at 2970 Webb Bridge Road.

Access from 400 north Exit 10 at State Bridge/Old Milton Pkwy turn right and go east 1/4 mile to Morris Road, turn left and go north to end of Morris Road, turn left on Web Bridge and go west across 400 to the Fire Station on your right.

Access from 400 south Exit 10 at State Bridge/Old Milton Pkwy turn left, cross over 400 and go east 1/4 mile to Morris Road, turn left and go north to end of Morris Road, turn left on Web Bridge and go west across 400 to the Fire Station on your right.

From the middle of Alpharetta, take Academy Street, which turns into Webb bridge, go east 3/4 mile to the Fire Station on your left.

http://maps.yahoo.com/maps_result?addr=2970+Webb+Bridge+Rd.&csz=30004&country=us&new=1&name=&qty=

This is a picture of the Fire House, so you can recognize it when you see it.

http://www.alpharetta.ga.us/index.php?p=67

The meeting time will be 7:30 PM

October 17th will be a presentation of WinLink with a demo

by Tom (KG4VUB).

Refreshments will be served.

November 21st will be a presentation of the DX'pedition to Peter IS.

December 19th will be our annual Christmas party,

time and place to be announced

January 16th, 2007 will be a presentation of D-Star, the new technology in amateur communications.

We need to thank Jim Stafford, W4QO, for lining up these guest speakers. He has done a bang up job. So come on out and join us for these meetings and bring a fellow ham that hasn't been to a NFARL meeting recently, or one of the new hams you might know of, or just a guest. We promise not to have the hum drum business meetings. Meetings ought to be fun and that is what we intend to have, is a good time.

The NFARL web page http://www.nfarl.org is being worked on so you will be able to view our future calendar of events.

Last month we had a great meeting presented by AF4FO, Susan Swiderski, on how to revive radio clubs. We typically have had 5 ☐ 10 members present at our past meetings, however last month we had 19. The last several meetings have been at Sonny's Bar-B-Q on Alpharetta Hwy. It was an OK meeting place, but it was a consensus that we needed to move to a non restaurant environment, so that is what we did. Jim Stafford, W4QO w4qo@... , Fred Moore, N4CLA n4cla@... , Walt Woren, KJ4HE kj4he@... and Steve Knittel, KC4YBO kc4ybo@... , volunteered to be on a steering committee to lead the club to a new direction. There will also be a slate of officers presented for election at our next meeting. However, if you are so inclined and want to be part of the new officers being presented, please contact one of the 4 people above with your intent.

Our meetings are now going to be on the
3rd Tuesday of every month @ 7:30 PM

Hope to see you there.

73's

Walt Woren KJ4HE@...

Jim Stafford W4QO@NFARL.ORG

Steve Knittel KC4YBO@...

Fred Moore N4CLA@...

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www.nfarl.org

# 198. Botulism Associated with Commercial Carrot Juice --- Georgia and Florida,

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2006-10-07 14:47:52 UTC
From: Victor Wasilov
Topic: 198 Message: 198

Thanks to Mark KI4LET for passing on this alert. A second case was been reported on Sept 25.

Botulism Associated with Commercial Carrot Juice --- Georgia and Florida, September 2006

On September 8, 2006, the Georgia Division of Public Health (GDPH) and CDC were notified of three suspected cases of foodborne botulism in Washington County, Georgia. On September 25, the Florida Department of Health and CDC were notified of an additional suspected case in Tampa, Florida. This report describes the joint investigation and control measures undertaken by state and local health departments, CDC, and the Food and Drug Administration (FDA).

On September 8, the three patients from Washington County, Georgia, went to a local hospital with cranial nerve palsies and progressive descending flaccid paralysis resulting in respiratory failure; the patients had shared meals on September 7. On the evening of September 8, physicians suspected foodborne botulism, notified the state health department, and collected clinical specimens for testing at CDC. On the same evening, CDC provided clinical consultation and dispatched botulinum antitoxin, which was administered to each of the patients the following morning. After receiving antitoxin, the patients had no progression of neurologic symptoms, but they remain hospitalized and on ventilators.

On September 9, the Washington County Health Department, Richmond County Health Department, and GDPH launched an investigation. The three patients had consumed several food items during their two meals together on September 7, including juice from a single 1-liter bottle of Bolthouse Farms carrot juice. The bottle had a "best if used by" date of September 18, 2006. Clinical specimens and leftover food and juice were collected and sent to CDC for testing. On September 13, botulinum toxin type A was identified in the serum and stool of all three patients. On September 15, leftover carrot juice recovered from the home of one of the patients also tested positive for botulinum toxin type A.

During September 8--15, FDA, the Georgia Department of Agriculture, the Georgia Hospital Association, and public health officials in all 50 states were notified of the outbreak and the implicated product as information became available. After these notifications, no additional cases of botulism in Georgia were reported to the state and local health departments or to CDC. During this time, FDA launched an investigation of the Bolthouse Farms, Inc., manufacturing plant in Bakersfield, California. FDA and CDC tested other bottles of

the implicated brand of carrot juice, including bottles from different lots, and all were negative for botulinum toxin. Because botulinum toxin was found only in the bottle of carrot juice consumed by the three patients, a lapse in refrigeration of the carrot-juice bottle during transport or storage was suspected, which would have allowed for growth of Clostridium botulinum and subsequent production of botulinum toxin. Based on the CDC test results, on September 17, FDA issued a consumer advisory on the importance of keeping carrot juice refrigerated. However, information obtained from patient interviews regarding storage and transport of the carrot juice did not confirm mishandling by the patients.

On September 25, officials at the Florida Department of Health, the Hillsborough County Health Department, and CDC were notified that a patient had been hospitalized in Tampa, Florida, on September 16, with respiratory failure and descending paralysis. On September 28, botulinum toxin type A was identified in the patient's serum. Circulating toxin persisted more than 10 days after illness onset in this completely paralyzed patient, indicating ingestion of a massive toxin dose. Accordingly, the patient was treated with antitoxin, which prevents binding of circulating botulinum toxin to nerve endings. The patient remains hospitalized, paralyzed, and on a ventilator. The Hillsborough County Health Department collected an open, 450-milliliter bottle of Bolthouse Farms carrot juice, which had been found by a family member in the hotel room where the patient had been staying during the month before being hospitalized. The hotel room had no refrigerator. The bottle, which had a "best if used by" date of September 19, 2006, had a different lot number than the bottle associated with the Georgia cases. On September 29, botulinum toxin was identified in carrot juice from the bottle found in the patient's hotel room; the toxin was subsequently identified as botulinum toxin type A. The Hillsborough County Health Department and CDC notified FDA, public health officials in all 50 states, and infection-control practitioners in Hillsborough County about the botulism case and implicated product. The manufacturer provided FDA with bottles of carrot juice from the same lot as the bottle found in the patient's room. FDA tested juice from all of these bottles, and it was negative for botulinum toxin.

C. botulinum spores are found in the environment and can be present naturally in carrot juice and other foods that have not undergone the retort canning process, which involves high temperatures and high pressure. Anaerobic conditions, low acidity (pH>4.6), low salt and sugar concentrations, and temperatures >39°F (>4°C) promote germination of C. botulinum spores and botulinum toxin production. Carrot juice has low acidity, with a natural pH of approximately 6.0; therefore, in the absence of another inhibitor, refrigeration at temperatures <40°F (<4°C) is necessary to prevent germination of C. botulinum spores and production of botulinum toxin. Inhibiting C. botulinum growth in other ways, such as through acidification, can retard its growth in juice that is not properly refrigerated.

Acidification has been used as a solution to previous foodborne botulism outbreaks. In 1985, 36 patients in the United States and Canada were identified with botulism after eating at a restaurant in Vancouver, British Columbia. A case-control study implicated commercially produced, chopped garlic in soybean oil stored at room temperature as the source of the outbreak (1). In 1989, a second outbreak of botulism associated with chopped garlic in oil occurred when three patients in New York were identified with botulism after consuming a meal containing unrefrigerated, commercially produced, chopped garlic in virgin olive oil (2). After these outbreaks, FDA rules were altered to require that garlic-in-oil products contain an acidifying agent such as phosphoric or citric acid.

The carrot juice consumed by these four patients was manufactured by Bolthouse Farms, Inc., and distributed in all 50 states, Mexico, Canada, and Hong Kong with the labels "Bolthouse Farms 100% Carrot Juice," "Earthbound Farm Organic Carrot Juice," and "President's Choice Organics 100% Pure Carrot Juice." Investigations of these cases by state and local health departments and investigations of the manufacturer by FDA are ongoing. On September 29, GDPH and the Georgia Department of Agriculture recommended that Georgia residents not purchase or consume Bolthouse Farms carrot juice. The same day, the FDA warned consumers not to drink Bolthouse Farms carrot juice with "best if used by" dates of November 11, 2006 or earlier (i.e., all bottles produced before the date the warning was issued), and Bolthouse Farms issued a voluntary recall of these products. Additional information regarding the recall is available from the Bolthouse Farms website at http://www.bolthouse.com/bolthouserecallFAQ.pdf or from FDA (telephone, 888-723-3366).

Suspected botulism cases should be reported immediately to local or state public health officials, who then should call the 24-hour CDC Emergency Operations Center at 770-488-7100; the center will immediately connect them with an on-call botulism specialist. Health-care providers and public health officials are encouraged to inquire specifically about consumption of carrot juice as part of the food history of suspect botulism cases. Additional information on botulism is available at http://www.cdc.gov/ncidod/dbmd/diseaseinfo/botulism_g.htm.

Reported by: C Shuler, DVM, C Drenzek, DVM, S Lance, DVM, PhD, G Gonzalez, MD, J Miller, MSPH, M Tobin-D'Angelo, MD, J Gabel, DVM, C Burnett, MPH, Georgia Div of Public Health. D Atrubin, MPH, Florida Dept of Health. J Sobel, MD, P Juliao, PhD, S Maslanka, PhD, Div of Foodborne, Bacterial, and Mycotic Diseases, National Center for Zoonotic, Vector-Borne, and Enteric Diseases; P Wiersma, MD, A Sheth, MD, EIS officers, CDC.

# 199. NFARES SET After Action Report

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2006-10-07 16:27:07 UTC
From: Victor Wasilov
Topic: 199  Message: 199

I would like to thank the following individuals for participating in and making the NFARES set a success. Special thanks to Tom, KI4MDU for helping to plan this exercise and acting as ANCS as well as assuming the NCS duties as part of the exercise.

Tom, KI4MDU ANCS
Steve, KC4YBO
Sammy, N4YDX
Susan, KC4MQL
Brett, N4BTA
Al, KF4RPO
Andy, KI4HVN
Brian, KI4LZG
Bill, WD4LUQ
Scott, KG4YHR

We had a total of 12 participants including myself.
The SET started on Saturday, Oct 7 at 9:00 AM and concluded on Saturday, Oct 7 at 10:13 AM

Situation: The National Weather Service has issued a severe weather advisory indicating severe thunderstorms and possible tornadoes anticipated to cross the Alabama - Georgia border on a northerly line stretching from Carroll County to Polk County at Approximately 6:00 AM. This weather pattern will pose a danger to Fulton, Douglas, Paulding and Cobb Counties for the next four to five hours. High probability of tornadoes and hail during this time period.

Response:

1) The SET was initiated at 9:00 AM and we had 10 voice check-ins and two APRS check-ins.
2) Tom, KI4MDU was located in Paulding Co. and assumed the ANCS duties. Tom was monitoring and accepting check-ins on APRS and Winlink. Tom also, had emergency power capability as backup.
3) Brett, N4BTA had deployed to the Alpharetta Fire HQ and EOC at Station #1. He was mobile and was equipped with 2 M and HF capability. He also had access to 2M, 440, HF, Emergency Power, and cross band repeater capability at his home QTH.
Two of the remaining participants were mobile and the others were located at their home QTH.
4) A SITREP (Situation Report) was requested and received from a number of individuals.
5) NCS KI4HPX simulated power failure and KI4MDU assumed NCS duties.
6) KI4MDU then simulated a a lightning strike that took out the repeater and directed everyone to move to a simplex frequency

(146.490). The participants were asked to check into the net again on Simplex. This allowed us to test the estimated maximum distance we could operate using Simplex. N4BTA and KC4YBO were able to communicate with each other and KI4HPX. Only N4BTA and KI4HVN were able to communicate with KI4MDU. N4BTA was when using an amplifier and a tower mounted antenna. We then tested simplex between N4BTA and KI4HVN and they were able to communicate. That gives us an approximate radius for simplex use. We will need to do some additional testing with other counties to confirm this distance.
7) N4BTA also checked in with GEMA on HF making contact on 40 & 70 meters. Contact was made with N4VAD, KO4WX and WX4GMA.
8) Contact with GEMA (WX4GMA) was also made via Winlink.

Conclusion: (Lesons learned)

1) All in all the SET went very well.
2) When handing over NCS duties to the ANCS, we need to remember to appoint a new ANCS.
3) Simplex capability needs more work. We don't really undestand who and how far we can reach using simplex. More experimentation is required. N4BTA has agreed to test simplex capability with Paulding County hams during the Sunday evening Simplex net. That will help expand our understanding of simplex use. Action item: Contact other ARES groups to contuct simplex tests with their members. Publish the results once tsets have been completed with surrounding counties.
4) Key learning: A minimum of semi-annual SET's are needed to keep the skills current and to allow experimentation to expand our understanding and use of not only Simplex but also digital modes. Adding AMTOR, PACTOR 1 and MT63 in addition to Winlink and APRS capability.

Just a reminder to all the participants. Please send you After Action Reports to KI4MDU and myself. Your observations, comments and suggestions will be greatly appreciated.

Thanks again to all you that took the time to check-in.

Victor
KI4HPX
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# 200. New Changes to the FCC Part 97 that impact all of us.

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2006-10-11 23:35:49 UTC
From: Victor Wasilov
Topic: 200  Message: 200

For your information. Thanks to Cooper for sending out this update. The full test file has been posted on the "Files" page of this website.

Victor
KI4HPX

Please take time to read. These changes to Part 97 (47 CFR 97, et. seq.) affects all of us.

Cooper/wa4pzd

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Victor Wasilov
KI4HPX

FCC-06-149A1.pdf - located on the "files" page of this web site.

# 201. New file uploaded to nfares

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2006-10-11 23:38:27 UTC
From: nfares@yahoogroups.com
Topic: 201  Message: 201

Hello,

This email message is a notification to let you know that
a file has been uploaded to the Files area of the nfares
group.

File : /FCC-06-149A1.pdf
Uploaded by : vwasilov <nfulton.ares@...>
Description : FCC changes to Part 97 (47 CFR 97, et. seq.)

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http://groups.yahoo.com/group/nfares/files/FCC-06-149A1.pdf

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http://help.yahoo.com/help/us/groups/files

Regards,

vwasilov <nfulton.ares@...>

# 202. NFARES Meeting Tuesday Oct 21

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2006-10-15 21:10:46 UTC
From: Victor Wasilov
Topic: 202  Message: 202

Just a reminder:

North Fulton ARES Meeting
Tuesday, Oct 21
Starting at 6:30 PM
Followed by the NFARL meeting at 7:30 PM (Winlink Presentation & Demo)
Location: Alpharetta Fire HQ (EOC) located behind Fire Station #1 at
2970 Webb Bridge Road in Alpharetta, GA.

Directions below and on the NFARES website.

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ccess from 400 north Exit 10 at State Bridge/Old Milton Pkwy turn
right and go east 1/4 mile to Morris Road, turn left and go north to
end of Morris Road , turn left on Web Bridge and go west across 400
to the Fire Station on your right .

A ccess from 400 south Exit 10 at State Bridge/Old Milton Pkwy turn
left, cross over 400 and go east 1/4 mile to Morris Road, turn left
and go north to end of Morris Road , turn left on Web Bridge and go
west across 400 to the Fire Station on your right .

# 203. Correction: NFARES Meeting is on Tuesday, Oct 17 not the 21st.

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2006-10-16 16:48:21 UTC
From: Victor Wasilov
Topic: 203  Message: 203

My error.

The NFARES meeting and the NFARL meeting is on Tuesday, Oct 17.

Not the 21st.

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Victor Wasilov

# 204. Ham Radio Public Service Opportunity

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2006-10-17 11:59:35 UTC
From: Lee Juckett
Topic: 204  Message: 204

A great ham public service opportunity is coming up this weekend and the following weekend when the Chattahoochee Nature Center in Roswell hosts their annual "Halloween Hikes" fundraiser.

I have participated in this and other CNC events with the IBM Radio Club, and they need a few more ham operators to provide support. Hams control the timing of the groups along the trail, communicate any issues, and eat pizza with the other volunteers afterwards! You will need to bring your HT and arrive by 6:30 pm on 10/20, 10/21, 10/27, and 10/28. Come to one or all of the hikes, which last until about 10:00 pm.

The CNC is clearly in the "back yard" of the North Fulton Amateur Radio League, and the W4IBM club would appreciate some help.

Groups of visitors walk through the woods along a lighted nature trail, stopping at about 10 different stations where various animals (costumed volunteers) describe what it is like to live in the forest. Other activities include art projects, a bonfire, snacks, face painting, music, etc. It is fun for all ages, not scary, and the money goes to help support the CNC. Below is a link to the CNC's web site with more information:
http://testchatt.techbridge.org/sections.php?Section=3&Page=halloween.htm&Title=Halloween%20Hikes

If you can help, email me at af4ia@... and let me know which nights you can participate. You will need to bring your HT and arrive early - by 6:30 pm at the latest - and go to the trailhead by the upper parking lot. Charles Turner (K0CZR) will assign duties at that time.

Let me know if you have any questions - otherwise, I hope to see you at the hikes!

- Lee Juckett, AF4IA

# 205. Congratulations

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2006-10-18 23:17:10 UTC
From: Victor Wasilov
Topic: 205  Message: 205

Thanks to Tom KI4MDU for passing on this great reference to our website.

Congratulations goes to David KE4QLH, Bob K4BB and all the other current or former ARES members that contributed to the website over the years.

---------- Forwarded message ----------
From: KI4MDU@... <KI4MDU@winlink.org>
Date: Oct 15, 2006 8:20 PM
Subject: Link from Hawaii ares site
To: nfulton.ares@...

I was looking for frequencies to hear Hawaii, and found a link to http://aditl.com/dradio/ (disaster radio in hawaii).

They have a link to the North Fulton ARES site saying " An EXCELLENT resource on procedures, printable forms, NVIS antennas, etc"

Looks like you are doing a good job on the web site.

Tom
KI4MDU

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Victor Wasilov
Emergency Coordinator
North Fulton Amateur Radio Emergency Service
404-307-5936
www.fultonares.org

# 206. Re: Ham Radio Public Service Opportunity - UPDATE

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2006-10-23 00:20:02 UTC
From: Lee Juckett
Topic: 206  Message: 206

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This is a major fundraiser for the CNC, and by my arithmetic, they grossed over $7,000 in ticket sales alone this weekend. More information is shown below on my original email on this subject.

This hikes continue next Friday and Saturday nights - please send me an email af4ia@... if you are interested or have questions. You will need to arrive at the CNC by 6:30 and bring your HT. The hikes are over at about 10:00 pm, at which time pizza is served to the volunteers. We are using 147.535 simplex during the hikes, or you can call for talk-in on the IBM Radio Club repeater 145.290-- (no tone). Dress appropriately - it was colder on Saturday night than some of us anticipated.

73 to all,
- Lee, AF4IA

----- Original Message ----
From: Lee Juckett <af4ia@...>
To: NFARL <nfarl@yahoogroups.com>; NFARES <nfares@yahoogroups.com>
Sent: Tuesday, October 17, 2006 7:59:35 AM
Subject: Ham Radio Public Service Opportunity

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Groups of visitors walk through the woods along a lighted nature trail, stopping at about 10 different stations where various animals (costumed volunteers) describe what it is like to live in the forest. Other activities include art projects, a bonfire, snacks, face painting, music, etc. It is fun for all ages, not scary, and the money goes to help support

the CNC. Below is a link to the CNC's web site with more information:
http://testchatt.techbridge.org/sections.php?Section=3&Page=halloween.htm&Title=Halloween%20Hikes

If you can help, email me at af4ia@... and let me know which nights you can participate. You will need to bring your HT and arrive early - by 6:30 pm at the latest - and go to the trailhead by the upper parking lot. Charles Turner (K0CZR) will assign duties at that time.

Let me know if you have any questions - otherwise, I hope to see you at the hikes!

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# 207. Re: Ham Radio Public Service Opportunity - UPDATE

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Date: 2006-10-23 23:52:27 UTC
From: Lee Juckett
Topic: 206  Message: 207

Correction - the IBM repeater is 145.290 negative offset and has an 88.5 Hz tone. Thanks to Sean-K4ZF for noting my error.

Call in on this repeater if you need talk-in to the Chattahoochee Nature Center.

- Lee, AF4IA

----- Original Message ----
From: Lee Juckett <af4ia@...>
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# 208. Digital Check ins for the N. Fulton ARES NET

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2006-11-06 17:30:19 UTC
From: tom burkhart
Topic: 208  Message: 208

Starting Sunday, November 12th, the North Fulton ARES net will start accepting digital checkins. The digital checkins will be accepted between 7:00pm and 8:00pm local time on Sundays. The voice net will continue to be on Sundays at 7:30pm local time on 145.470.

You may check into the net digitally by any of the following three methods.

1. WINLINK - Winlink has became the standard for digital communication for both ARES and MARS. It provides email capability using RF and\or an internet connection. You can download the most popular client (Airmail) at http://www.siriuscyber.net/ham/amhc33048.exe Using this client you can connect to the Winlink system using just your computer and a telnet connection. If you need help setting up this program I have walked several people through the install in about 15 minutes on the phone.

To checkin simply email your checkin to ki4mdu on Sunday prior to the net.

2. APRS - Automatic Packet Reporting System. There are several software packages for APRS, with my favorites being UI-View32 for windows or Xastir for linux. A good place for more information on APRS is http://web.usna.navy.mil/~bruninga/aprs.html APRS can also be used with your computer and an internet connection.

To checkin using aprs send a message to ki4mdu-1 on the national APRS frequency of 144.390 during the net.

3. Traditional packet. - This mode will require that you have either a tnc or sound card interface.

To checkin via traditional packet connect to ki4mdu via the JASP node on the sedan network 145.770 during the net.

If you have any question please feel free to contact me at tburkhar@..., ki4mdu@..., by phone at 678-522-6137, or on the dallas repeater 146.895 + 77.

Tom Burkhart
KI4MDU
AEC - Digital North Fulton ARES
AEC - Net Manager Paulding\Douglas ARES

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# 209. New NFARES Appointments

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2006-11-06 18:27:28 UTC
From: Victor Wasilov
Topic: 209  Message: 209

I am very pleased to announce the following:

1) Tom, KI4MDU has accepted the position of AEC-Digital for North Fulton ARES.

2) Sean, K4FZ has accepted the position of Web Master for the fultonares.org website.

Join me in congratulating them.

Victor
KI4HPX

# 210. FBI-IC3 alerts new email scheme designed to extract personal financial info

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2006-11-09 16:05:37 UTC
From: Victor Wasilov
Topic: 210  Message: 210

FBI-IC3 alerts new email scheme designed to extract personal financial information and implant virus.

SPAM E-MAIL CONFIRMING THE PURCHASE OF A COMPUTER.

The IC3 has received the following information concerning multiple e-mail hoaxes confirming the recipient's purchase of a computer:

* The first e-mail hoax claims the recipient made the purchase through an online service provider. The e-mail contains a link if the recipient wishes to dispute the charges to their account. Once the link
is selected, the recipient is requested to provide their account information.
* The second e-mail hoax includes a PDF attachment claiming to be the order summary. The attachment contains a virus which will infect your computer.

THE E-MAILS ARE FRAUDULENT.

Be cautious of e-mails requesting personal and/or financial information.
When made aware of any fraudulent purchases to your account, contact the
respective company to file a report.

Further, do not open attachments from individuals you do not trust or know.

# 211. Changes to Winlink2000 spam control

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2006-11-08 23:01:34 UTC
From: tom burkhart
Topic: 211  Message: 211

This was posted on wl2kemcomm group. You may need to adjust your setting in the winlink system.

Tom
KI4MDU
AEC - Digital - North Fulton ARES
AEC - Net Manager - Paulding\Douglas ARES

SPAM User Control Options: Found in WL2K_HELP category, Check SPAM.CONTROL.

Updated November 6, 2006;

EFFECTIVE, MONDAY, NOVEMBER 13, THE WHITELIST FOR EACH USER WILL BE DEFAULTED TO "ON" AND THE WHITELIST NOTICE WILL DEFAULT TO "OFF." THE WHITELIST ONLY INVOLVES ADDRESSES TO AND FROM THE INTERNET AND NOT WINLINK USER CALLS (ADDRESSES.)

However, the individual Winlink 2000 user has TOTAL AND COMPLETE control over the amount of unwanted message rejection they wish to deploy for their own account. Control options may be sent via Winlink to the "SYSTEM" for controlling the way you receive e-mail from the Internet. Please observe these options and make your individual choice.

IT IS STRONGLY RECOMMENDED THAT THESE DEFAULT SETTINGS BE LEFT AS THEY ARE !

Under these conditions, you will ONLY receive E-MAIL messages that you have recorded:

1. Each message you send to an Internet E-mail address from Winlink will be recorded in your Whitelist. This has been taking place even with your Whitelist turned OFF.

2. You may send a special message to the SYSTEM, giving it instructions for turning the Whitelist OFF/ON, and the Whitelist NOTICE OFF/ON.

The special message should contain the information below, one line per individual instruction:

SPAM THRESHOLD: (Integer between 2 and 10. a good value is 4 or 5, and 200 turns the SPAM filter OFF. Turning the SPAM filter OFF is not recommended even if the Whitelist is used. Keep it at a level of 4.

WHITELIST. To Activate the Whitelist, use the word: ON. To deactivate the Whitelist, use the word: OFF.

WHITELIST NOTICE: In addition, should you wish to receive a one-time notice that someone NOT on your Whitelist is trying to send an e-mail to your Winlink address, you can turn the WHITELIST NOTICE "ON." Remember, if you

turn the Whitelist notice "ON," it will automatically reject the incoming address until you change the status by sending an e-mail to that address, or sending a specific command to change the address status. IT IS RECOMMENDED THAT YOU KEEP THE WHITELIST NOTICE "OFF."

Examples are given below. These are NOT case sensitive

Here is an example of using the Whitelist, turning the Whitelist notice off (default condition),. and NO additional SPAM control:

TO: SYSTEM
Subject: OPTIONS
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Whitelist: ON
whitelist notice: OFF

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Here is an example of no Whitelist and SPAM Control:

TO: SYSTEM
Subject: OPTIONS
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Whitelist: OFF

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USING THE WHITELIST:

NOTE: Again, the Whitelist will contain all e-mail addresses sent FROM your Winlink e-mail address even if you do not actually activate the list, and retain these Internet e-mail addresses for a period of 400 days from your last e-mail to that address. You may also send a special message to activate, delete, or reject an e-mail address. This is described below.

Sending the following e-mail to: SYSTEM with subject: WHITELIST will assist you in controlling your own personal Whitelist. In the message body, the following options are available. In the message body of this special message, you may put the following:

LIST - will return a list of all whitelist entries for the user.

ACCEPT: jblow@... - will allow messages from jblow@...
to be accepted. You may send multiple lines, each containing one e-mail address.

Reject: jblow@... - will reject any messages from
jblow@.... You may send multiple lines, each containing one
e-mail address.

Delete: jblow@... - will remove jblow@... from the
user's Whitelist. You may send multiple lines, each containing one e-mail

address.

IMPORTANT NOTE: Domain Entries without the "@" will be treated as "domain names" only. For example if "Accept: sailmail.com" were entered, then ANY message from that "domain name" (sailmail.com) would be accepted.

Again, the user's Whitelist is updated continuously, even if the user has the whitelist feature turned off, and will still build history, which will be functional if it is turned ON.

An example of such a message to control the Whitelist:

TO: SYSTEM
Subject: WHITELIST
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Accept: Joe@... < This is in the Message Body

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Another example:

TO: SYSTEM
Subject: WHITELIST
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Accept: Joe@...
Accept: Bill@...
Accept: Judy@...
Delete: joan@...
Delete: steve@...
Reject: ed@...
Reject: nogood.com
Accept: sailmail.com
Accept: ARRL.org
Accept: ARRL.net

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FINALLY, it is strongly recommended that each Winlink 2000 user set up a password for their Winlink user account. This may be done on the current www.winlink.org/newmail page.

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# 212. NFARES Net this Sunday

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2006-11-11 14:45:43 UTC
From: Victor Wasilov
Topic: 212  Message: 212

Reminder: NFARES Net This Sunday 7:30 PM Local Time on 145.470 MHz

Net Topic: ARES Memebership & Training Requirements, current &
future.

In addition to voice check-in on 145.470 MHz, you may check into the
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1. WINLINK - Winlink has became the standard for digital communication
for both ARES and MARS. It provides email capability using RF and\or
an
internet connection. You can download the most popular client
(Airmail)
at http://www.siriuscyber.net/ham/amhc33048.exe Using this client you
can connect to the Winlink system using just your computer and a
telnet
connection. If you need help setting up this program I have walked
several people through the install in about 15 minutes on the phone.

To checkin simply email your checkin to ki4mdu on Sunday prior to the
net.

2. APRS - Automatic Packet Reporting System. There are several
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packages for APRS, with my favorites being UI-View32 for windows or
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To checkin using aprs send a message to ki4mdu-1 on the national APRS
frequency of 144.390 during the net.

3. Traditional packet. - This mode will require that you have either a
tnc or sound card interface.

To checkin via traditional packet connect to ki4mdu via the JASP node
on
the sedan network 145.770 during the net.

# 213. Radio for Sales

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2006-11-11 20:56:03 UTC
From: Victor Wasilov
Topic: 213  Message: 213

Radio For Sales

ICOM IC-90a (waterproof one) multi-band complete with battery
charger, cigarette lighter cable, ptt mike with speaker, all manuals,
box and a repeater directory thrown in.

Asking $300

Contact: Dave Storper dave6101@...

# 214. New Telpac node

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2006-11-12 16:52:30 UTC
From: tom burkhart
Topic: 214  Message: 214

David, N1IB, has installed a new Winlink Telpac node, N1IB-10, in the Cumming area on 145.070. This node should be reachable from most of the Fulton County area.

Other nodes in the area include:
W4PME-10 145.070
KG4VUB-10 145.730
N3DAB-10 145.730
KI4MDU-10 145.730

Please feel free to contact me if you have any questions, or need assistance in setting up Winlink.

Tom
KI4MDU
AEC - Digital - North Fulton ARES
AEC - Net Manager - Paulding\Douglas ARES

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# 215. SPECIAL WEATHER STATEMENT - NATIONAL WEATHER SERVICE PEACHTREE CITY GA

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2006-11-14 19:58:53 UTC
From: Victor Wasilov
Topic: 215  Message: 215

SPECIAL WEATHER STATEMENT
NATIONAL WEATHER SERVICE PEACHTREE CITY GA
413 AM EST TUE NOV 14 2006

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089>098-102>113-142115-
DADE-WALKER-CATOOSA-WHITFIELD-MURRAY-FANNIN-GILMER-UNION-TOWNS-
CHATTOOGA-GORDON-PICKENS-DAWSON-LUMPKIN-WHITE-FLOYD-BARTOW-
CHEROKEE-FORSYTH-HALL-BANKS-JACKSON-MADISON-POLK-PAULDING-COBB-
NORTH FULTON-GWINNETT-BARROW-CLARKE-OCONEE-OGLETHORPE-WILKES-
HARALSON-CARROLL-DOUGLAS-SOUTH FULTON-DEKALB-ROCKDALE-WALTON-
NEWTON-MORGAN-GREENE-TALIAFERRO-HEARD-COWETA-FAYETTE-CLAYTON-
SPALDING-HENRY-BUTTS-JASPER-PUTNAM-HANCOCK-WARREN-TROUP-
MERIWETHER-PIKE-UPSON-LAMAR-MONROE-JONES-BALDWIN-WASHINGTON-
GLASCOCK-JEFFERSON-HARRIS-TALBOT-TAYLOR-CRAWFORD-BIBB-TWIGGS-
WILKINSON-JOHNSON-EMANUEL-MUSCOGEE-CHATTAHOOCHEE-MARION-SCHLEY-
MACON-PEACH-HOUSTON-BLECKLEY-LAURENS-TREUTLEN-STEWART-WEBSTER-
SUMTER-DOOLY-CRISP-PULASKI-WILCOX-DODGE-TELFAIR-WHEELER-
MONTGOMERY-TOOMBS-
INCLUDING THE CITIES OF...CALHOUN...DAHLONEGA...CLEVELAND...
ROME...CARTERSVILLE...GAINESVILLE...MARIETTA...ATLANTA...
LAWRENCEVILLE...ATHENS...CARROLLTON...DOUGLASVILLE...EAST POINT...
DECATUR...CONYERS...COVINGTON...NEWNAN...PEACHTREE CITY...
GRIFFIN...MILLEDGEVILLE...MACON...SWAINSBORO...COLUMBUS...
WARNER ROBINS...DUBLIN...LUMPKIN...AMERICUS...CORDELE...VIDALIA
413 AM EST TUE NOV 14 2006

...SEVERE WEATHER AND HEAVY RAINFALL POSSIBLE WEDNESDAY AFTERNOON
AND WEDNESDAY NIGHT...

A POWERFUL STORM SYSTEM WILL MOVE INTO THE LOWER MISSISSIPPI
VALLEY WEDNESDAY. AHEAD OF THE STORM SYSTEM...A DEEP LOW PRESSURE
AREA AT THE SURFACE WILL DEVELOP ACROSS MIDDLE TENNESSEE. STRONG
SOUTHERLY WINDS AHEAD OF THE LOW PRESSURE AREA WILL DRAW UP
INCREASING AMOUNTS OF LOW LEVEL MOISTURE ACROSS GEORGIA ON
WEDNESDAY CAUSING THE ATMOSPHERE TO BECOME UNSTABLE. VERY STRONG
WINDS ALOFT WILL ALSO BE PRESENT. ANY THUNDERSTORMS THAT DEVELOP
COULD BE SEVERE WITH DAMAGING WINDS...HAIL AND EVEN ISOLATED
TORNADOES POSSIBLE.

THE MOST LIKELY AREA FOR SEVERE THUNDERSTORMS WILL BE ACROSS
PARTS OF WESTERN AND CENTRAL GEORGIA SOUTH AND WEST OF A
CARROLLTON TO GRIFFIN TO EASTMAN LINE ON WEDNESDAY AFTERNOON AND
EVENING. THE THREAT FOR SEVERE WEATHER IS EXPECTED TO DIMINISH
AFTER MIDNIGHT ON WEDNESDAY.

IN ADDITION TO THE THREAT FOR SEVERE WEATHER...VERY HEAVY RAINFALL MAY OCCUR ACROSS MUCH OF NORTH GEORGIA WEDNESDAY AFTERNOON THROUGH WEDNESDAY NIGHT. RAINFALL AMOUNTS OF 2 TO 4 INCHES WILL BE POSSIBLE ACROSS AREAS NORTH OF INTERSTATE 85... PARTICULARLY ACROSS NORTHEAST GEORGIA. AMOUNTS OF 1 TO 2 INCHES ARE POSSIBLE OVER THE REST OF NORTH AND CENTRAL GEORGIA. THE RAIN SHOULD END BY DAYBREAK THURSDAY. MINOR FLOODING OF LARGER CREEKS AND STREAMS WILL BE POSSIBLE BUT SIGNIFICANT FLOODING IS NOT EXPECTED.

STAY TUNED TO NOAA WEATHER RADIO AND OTHER LOCAL MEDIA FOR LATER UPDATES ON THIS SITUATION.

# 216. North Fulton ARES Net, 11/19/2006, 7:30 pm

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2006-11-17 00:42:19 UTC
From: nfares@yahoogroups.com
Topic: 216  Message: 216

Reminder from the Calendar of nfares
http://groups.yahoo.com/group/nfares/cal

North Fulton ARES Net
Sunday November 19, 2006
7:30 pm - 8:30 pm
(This event repeats every week.)
Location: 145.470 MHz or 147.060 MHz backup repeater

Notes:
Consult www.fultonares.org for net schedule and frequencies.

Set up birthday reminders
http://us.rd.yahoo.com/cal_us/rem/?http://groups.yahoo.com/group/nfares/cal?v=9&evt_type=13

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# 217. Digital Sign-in to the NFARES Net, 11/19/2006, 7:00 pm

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2006-11-19 00:11:44 UTC
From: nfares@yahoogroups.com
Topic: 217  Message: 217

Reminder from the Calendar of nfares
http://groups.yahoo.com/group/nfares/cal

Digital Sign-in to the NFARES Net
Sunday November 19, 2006
7:00 pm - 8:00 pm
(This event repeats every week.)
Location: APRS, Winlink, & Packet

Notes:
APRS: send APRS message to KI4MDU-1 on 144.390 MHz
Winlink: send an Airmail email to ki4mdu@...
Packet: connect to KI4MDU via JASP node on sedan network 145.770

Set up birthday reminders
http://us.rd.yahoo.com/cal_us/rem/?http://groups.yahoo.com/group/nfares/cal?v=9&evt_type=13

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# 218. New file uploaded to nfares

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2006-11-20 14:14:19 UTC
From: nfares@yahoogroups.com
Topic: 201  Message: 218

Hello,

This email message is a notification to let you know that
a file has been uploaded to the Files area of the nfares
group.

File : /Deg_formats.xls
Uploaded by : vwasilov <nfulton.ares@...>
Description : Excel spreadsheet for converting Lat / Long to differtent formats

You can access this file at the URL:
http://groups.yahoo.com/group/nfares/files/Deg_formats.xls

To learn more about file sharing for your group, please visit:
http://help.yahoo.com/help/us/groups/files

Regards,

vwasilov <nfulton.ares@...>

# 219. Children□s Healthcare of Atlanta Christmas Parade

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2006-11-20 23:45:06 UTC
From: Victor Wasilov
Topic: 219  Message: 219

To all amateur operators-

We need help for the Children's Healthcare of Atlanta Christmas Parade
December 2nd from 6:30 am to about noon. We need as many operators
as possible to help organize and support the parade along the route.
Most of the operators will be shadowing a committee person responsible
for each of the different areas, (balloons, bands, floats, horses,
specialty groups, etc.). For those that have helped us in the past,
the route is the same as last year. Please email Tim KC4ELV@...
with your call sign, name, t-shirt size, and phone number. We will send
out information about a week before to those that signed up to help.

73,
BARRY
W4TGA

# 220. New links added to the yahoo group

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2006-11-22 19:21:30 UTC
From: tom burkhart
Topic: 220  Message: 220

I added some new links for the fema courses to the yahoo web site. These
links can be found at
http://groups.yahoo.com/group/nfares/links/Training_Links_001164214076/

Tom
KI4MDU

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Version: 7.5.430 / Virus Database: 268.14.12/545 - Release Date: 11/21/2006 10:36 PM

# 221. North Fulton ARES Net, 11/26/2006, 7:30 pm

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2006-11-24 00:43:50 UTC
From: nfares@yahoogroups.com
Topic: 221  Message: 221

Reminder from the Calendar of nfares
http://groups.yahoo.com/group/nfares/cal

North Fulton ARES Net
Sunday November 26, 2006
7:30 pm - 8:30 pm
(This event repeats every week.)
Location: 145.470 MHz or 147.060 MHz backup repeater

Notes:
Consult www.fultonares.org for net schedule and frequencies.

Set up birthday reminders
http://us.rd.yahoo.com/cal_us/rem/?http://groups.yahoo.com/group/nfares/cal?v=9&evt_type=13

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# 222. Help needed with an expirement being performed on the ISS

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2006-11-24 21:01:03 UTC
From: tom burkhart
Topic: 222  Message: 222

While this is not ARES related, I thought it may be of interest.

TsNIIMASH is currently looking for stations to collecting telemetry data
for an experiment involving plasma propulsion that will be conducted on
the International Space Station. There is a test of this system
scheduled for this Sunday over Europe, but they need more monitoring
station in North America.

The requirements for participating are minor:
1. A radio capable of receiving 145.800
2. A cable to connect the speaker jack of your radio to your computer
3. Installing both the agw and uiss software ( both are freeware) on
your computer.
4 An internet connection

More details on this can be found at
http://www.tsniimash.ru/Shadow/Next-eng.htm
A more detailed page on software requirements and configuration is
located at http://www.qsl.net/vk3ukf/etshadowozindexqsl.html

This is just one more way to have fun with amateur radio, and a chance
to play a part in what may end up being the future of space exploration.

Tom
KI4MDU

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# 223. SKYWARN Recognition Day is December 2

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2006-11-25 14:08:25 UTC
From: Victor Wasilov
Topic: 223  Message: 223

SKYWARN Recognition Day is December 2
The Eighth Annual SKYWARN Recognition Day (SRD) special event will take place Saturday, December 2, 2006. SKYWARN Recognition Day is an event co-sponsored by the National Weather Service (NWS) and the American Radio Relay League. It is the National Weather Service's way of saying "thank you" to Amateur Radio operators for their commitment to helping keep their communities safe. During the 24 hour special event, Amateur Radio operators will visit their local NWS office, set up Amateur Radio stations and work as a team to contact other hams across the world.

"Ham radio operators volunteering as storm spotters are an extremely valuable asset to National Weather Service operations, since they are cross-trained in both communications and severe storm recognition", says Scott Mentzer, N0QE, organizer of the event and Meteorologist-In-Charge at the NWS office in Goodland, Kansas.

In typical warning operations, it is the direct communication between mobile spotters and the local NWS office which provides vital ground truth information. Spotter reports of hail size, wind damage and surface-based rotation in real time greatly assists the radar warning operator, since that information can be correlated with Doppler radar displays. The result can range anywhere from a more strongly worded statement to convey a greater sense of urgency, or the issuance of a tornado warning a few minutes earlier than would otherwise have been possible.

While NWS offices utilize the real-time reporting of severe weather events to assist in warning operations, hurricanes and tropical storms have shown us that ham radio operators are equally important during the recovery phase of natural disasters.

There are countless stories where ham radio worked in tandem with more conventional technology to relay emergency traffic.

Details of the Event

SKYWARN Recognition Day will be held 0000-2400 UTC December 2, 2006. The object is for all radio amateur stations to exchange QSO information with as many NWS Stations as possible on 80, 40, 20, 15, 10, 6 and 2 meter bands, as well as the 70 centimeter band. Contacts via repeaters are permitted.

The exchange should include call sign, signal report, location and a one or two word description of the weather occurring at your site, such as sunny, partly cloudy and windy.

NWS stations will work various modes, including SSB, FM, AM, RTTY, CW and PSK31. While working digital modes, special event stations will append NWS to their call sign (e.g., N1A/NWS).

The NWS will provide event information via the Internet. Event certificates may be requested from SKYWARN Recognition Day, 920 Armory Rd, Goodland, KS 67735. Simply enclose a self-addressed stamped envelope with a list of NWS stations worked. The certificate size is 8.5 × 11 inches.

Separate NWS stations will also issue individual QSL cards. See the Web page for a list and to learn more.

http://www.crh.noaa.gov/hamradio/index.php

# 224. Digital Sign-in to the NFARES Net, 11/26/2006, 7:00 pm

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2006-11-26 00:10:50 UTC
From: nfares@yahoogroups.com
Topic: 224  Message: 224

Reminder from the Calendar of nfares
http://groups.yahoo.com/group/nfares/cal

Digital Sign-in to the NFARES Net
Sunday November 26, 2006
7:00 pm - 8:00 pm
(This event repeats every week.)
Location: APRS, Winlink, & Packet

Notes:
APRS: send APRS message to KI4MDU-1 on 144.390 MHz
Winlink: send an Airmail email to ki4mdu@...
Packet: connect to KI4MDU via JASP node on sedan network 145.770

Set up birthday reminders
http://us.rd.yahoo.com/cal_us/rem/?http://groups.yahoo.com/group/nfares/cal?v=9&evt_type=13

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# 225. New Digital Repeater in Alpharetta

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2006-11-27 14:26:52 UTC
From: Victor Wasilov
Topic: 225  Message: 225

Hi all:

I was visiting Stone Mountain Park yesterday and chatted briefly
with AA4RC as he was headed home after getting a new D-Star repeater
up in Alpharetta. Here is what little I know about this repeater.

2 meter freq. = 145.19 - Call Sign KI4SBA_C

440 freq. = 444.450 + Call Sign KI4SBA_B

I was able to key it on my handheld (IC-91AD) from about 1/2 way up
the mountain on the tram before the handheld battery died. That
ended any testing for the day.

Anyway, it is a good sign that there is yet another D-Star repeater
on the air in the metro area.

73,

Barry
K4TGA

# 226. NO NFARES meeting in Dec

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2006-11-29 20:46:47 UTC
From: Victor Wasilov
Topic: 226  Message: 226

There will not be a NFARES meeting in Dec. The next scheduled ARES meeting will be Jan 2007.

NFARES nets have been cancelled for the following dates due to the holidays. Dec 24 & Dec 31.

We will have the NFARES net on Dec 3 & 10.

I am looking for someone to act as NCS for the Jan 7, 2007 NFARES Net. Please let me know if you are interested in acting as NCS on that date.

Wishing all of you a VERY Happy Holidays.

73

Victor
KI4HPX

# 227. ARES help needed for Christmas Parade this Sat 12/2/06

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2006-11-30 02:37:33 UTC
From: Tom Fuller
Topic: 227  Message: 227

ARES Assistance Needed

for the Children's Healthcare of Atlanta

Annual Christmas Parade

Saturday, 2 December 2006

We need help for the Children's Health Care of Atlanta Christmas Parade on Saturday, December 2nd, 2006 from about 6:30 AM to about noon. We need as many operators as possible, equipped with handie-talkies, fully charged batteries and a headset or earphone to allow you to hear over the noise of the bands.

The hams will help organize and support the parade along the route. Most of the hams will be shadowing a committee person responsible for each of the different areas (balloons, bands, floats, etc.). If you have helped us in the past, the route is the same as last year.

Please e-mail Tim Rosing at KC4ELV@etoii.com

with your call sign, name, phone number and t-shirt size. Tim will send out information about a week before the parade to those who have signed up to help.

This is a wonderful way to spend some quality community service time on behalf of ARES. Come join the parade!!

# 228. North Fulton ARES Net, 12/3/2006, 7:30 pm

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2006-12-01 00:47:17 UTC
From: nfares@yahoogroups.com
Topic: 228  Message: 228

Reminder from the Calendar of nfares
http://groups.yahoo.com/group/nfares/cal

North Fulton ARES Net
Sunday December 3, 2006
7:30 pm - 8:30 pm
(This event repeats every week.)
Location: 145.470 MHz or 147.060 MHz backup repeater

Notes:
Consult www.fultonares.org for net schedule and frequencies.

Set up birthday reminders
http://us.rd.yahoo.com/cal_us/rem/?http://groups.yahoo.com/group/nfares/cal?v=9&evt_type=13

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# 229. SKYWARN Recognition Day is December 2, 12/2/2006, 12:00 am

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2006-12-01 05:07:31 UTC
From: nfares@yahoogroups.com
Topic: 229  Message: 229

Reminder from the Calendar of nfares
http://groups.yahoo.com/group/nfares/cal

SKYWARN Recognition Day is December 2
Saturday December 2, 2006
All Day
(This event does not repeat.)

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# 230. Digital Sign-in to the NFARES Net, 12/3/2006, 7:00 pm

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2006-12-03 00:09:31 UTC
From: nfares@yahoogroups.com
Topic: 230  Message: 230

Reminder from the Calendar of nfares
http://groups.yahoo.com/group/nfares/cal

Digital Sign-in to the NFARES Net
Sunday December 3, 2006
7:00 pm - 8:00 pm
(This event repeats every week.)
Location: APRS, Winlink, & Packet

Notes:
APRS: send APRS message to KI4MDU-1 on 144.390 MHz
Winlink: send an Airmail email to ki4mdu@...
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# 231. Major Solar Flare

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2006-12-05 20:05:41 UTC
From: Victor Wasilov
Topic: 231  Message: 231

Space Weather News for Dec. 5, 2006
http://spaceweather.com

MAJOR SOLAR FLARE: Earth-orbiting satellites detected a powerful X-class solar flare this morning, Dec. 5th, at 10:35 Universal Time. The source: big, new sunspot 929, which is emerging over the Sun's eastern limb. Because of the sunspot's position near the limb, this flare was not Earth-directed. Future eruptions could be, however, because the Sun's spin is turning the spot toward Earth. Sunspot 929 will be visible for the next two weeks as it glides across the solar disk.

Please visit http://spaceweather.com for more information and updates.

# 232. SOLAR ACTIVITY

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2006-12-07 23:22:27 UTC
From: Victor Wasilov
Topic: 232  Message: 232

Space Weather News for Dec. 7, 2006
http://spaceweather.com

SOLAR ACTIVITY: Big sunspot 930 continues to be a source of strong solar activity. The active region has produced two X-class flares and several lesser flares since it appeared only two days ago. Forecasters estimate a 50% chance of another X-flare during the next 24 hours.

Coronal mass ejections (CMEs) hurled into space by the blasts of Dec. 5th and 6th will not hit Earth head-on. Why not? Because the sunspot was near the sun's eastern limb and thus not facing Earth at the time of the explosions. However, we could experience glancing blows from the CMEs, producing high-latitude geomagnetic storms in the nights ahead. Northern sky watchers should remain alert for auroras.

Visit http://spaceweather.com to view photographs of the recent explosions and to listen to radio sounds from the X6-flare of Dec. 6th.

REMINDER: Don't forget to set your alarm. Jupiter, Mercury and Mars are converging to make a pretty triangle in the dawn sky. The action begins on December 8th and climaxes on Dec. 10th when the two brightest vertices of the celestial triangle, Jupiter and Mercury, will be less than a quarter of a degree apart. Visit http://spaceweather.com for observing tips and sky maps.

CORRECTION: In a space weather alert sent Tuesday, Dec. 5th, sunspot 930 was misidentified as sunspot 929. I apologize for the error. -- Tony Phillips

SPACE WEATHER ALERTS: Would you like a phone call alerting you the next time sunspot 930 explodes? Sign up for SpaceWeather PHONE: http://spaceweatherphone.com

# 233. SOLAR ACTIVITY

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2006-12-07 23:22:28 UTC
From: Victor Wasilov
Topic: 232  Message: 233

Space Weather News for Dec. 7, 2006
http://spaceweather.com

SOLAR ACTIVITY: Big sunspot 930 continues to be a source of strong solar activity. The active region has produced two X-class flares and several lesser flares since it appeared only two days ago. Forecasters estimate a 50% chance of another X-flare during the next 24 hours.

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# 234. North Fulton ARES Net, 12/10/2006, 7:30 pm

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2006-12-08 00:26:46 UTC
From: nfares@yahoogroups.com
Topic: 234  Message: 234

Reminder from the Calendar of nfares
http://groups.yahoo.com/group/nfares/cal

North Fulton ARES Net
Sunday December 10, 2006
7:30 pm - 8:30 pm
(This event repeats every week.)
Location: 145.470 MHz or 147.060 MHz backup repeater

Notes:
Consult www.fultonares.org for net schedule and frequencies.

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# 235. Digital Sign-in to the NFARES Net, 12/10/2006, 7:00 pm

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2006-12-10 00:06:24 UTC
From: nfares@yahoogroups.com
Topic: 235  Message: 235

Reminder from the Calendar of nfares
http://groups.yahoo.com/group/nfares/cal

Digital Sign-in to the NFARES Net
Sunday December 10, 2006
7:00 pm - 8:00 pm
(This event repeats every week.)
Location: APRS, Winlink, & Packet

Notes:
APRS: send APRS message to KI4MDU-1 on 144.390 MHz
Winlink: send an Airmail email to ki4mdu@...
Packet: connect to KI4MDU via JASP node on sedan network 145.770

Set up birthday reminders
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# 236. Testing for all three ARRL Emergency Communications Courses

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2006-12-10 16:52:00 UTC
From: Victor Wasilov
Topic: 236  Message: 236

Testing for all three ARRL Emergency Communications Courses (EC-001, EC-002 and EC-003) will be offered at the State ARES Meeting in Forsyth on Saturday morning, January 27th. The test for each of the EmComm courses are $10.00 each compared to $45.00 for the ARRL online course. Participants should order the book for any course from the ARRL for $19.00 each. If you plan to take any of the tests, email Greg Tillman, N4VAD, with the course(s) for which you would like to take a test by December 31, 2006 so that tests can be ordered. Extra tests will not be available so register by the deadline. You may take tests for as many of the courses as desired.

The ARRL EmComm series of courses provide valuable information and training on emergency communications. All Gwinnett ARES members are encouraged to take at least the Level 1 course (EC-001).

73,
John WB4QDX
Emergency Coordinator

# 237. New Web Site and other News

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2006-12-10 19:08:28 UTC
From: Victor Wasilov
Topic: 237  Message: 237

Please join me in welcoming our newest member. Andy, KI4HVN. Within a week of joining NFARES, Andy completed the FEMA IS-100 and IS-700 courses. What a great beginning.

Congratulations also go out to Lee, AF4IA for completing FEMA courses IS-100, IS-200, IS-700, and IS-800A. Also, to Bret, N4BTA for completing FEMA courses IS-100 and IS-700. Thanks for your hard work.

We now have a NEW website. Our old site developed roblems that could not be fixed. The good news is that in building the new site we will be able to make it easier to find information in addition to the new look. It's still under construction, but we hope to build it oout over the next few weeks. New additions will include a calendar, survey capability, planning committee eamil capability, and a host of other features. Stay tuned and let me Sean, our webmaster, know if you like the new look and feel.

www.nfares.org

Finally, you still have time to register to take the ARRL Emergency Communication Course test in Jan 2007. Here are the details:

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002 and EC-003) will be offered at the State ARES Meeting in Forsyth on
Saturday morning, January 27th. The test for each of the EmComm courses are $10.00 each compared to $45.00 for the ARRL online course.
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73,
John WB4QDX

# 238. NSC needed for Jan 7, 2007

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2006-12-11 01:13:33 UTC
From: Victor Wasilov
Topic: 238  Message: 238

I will not be able to run the net on Jan 7, 2007. I would appreciate someone volunteering to act as NCS on that day. Please let me know if you can act as NSC on that date.

Thanks and 73

Victor
KI4HPX

# 239. North Fulton ARES Net, 12/17/2006, 7:30 pm

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2006-12-15 00:27:16 UTC
From: nfares@yahoogroups.com
Topic: 239  Message: 239

Reminder from the Calendar of nfares
http://groups.yahoo.com/group/nfares/cal

North Fulton ARES Net
Sunday December 17, 2006
7:30 pm - 8:30 pm
(This event repeats every week.)
Location: 145.470 MHz or 147.060 MHz backup repeater

Notes:
Consult www.fultonares.org for net schedule and frequencies.

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http://us.rd.yahoo.com/cal_us/rem/?http://groups.yahoo.com/group/nfares/cal?v=9&evt_type=13

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# 240. FCC is going to drop the code requirements

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2006-12-16 03:11:46 UTC
From: tom burkhart
Topic: 240  Message: 240
Attachments: 2 described; binary payloads are missing from this source WARC

The FCC has announced that they are dropping the code requirements for General and Extra.

# 241. FCC is going to drop the code requirements

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2006-12-16 04:04:18 UTC
From: tburkhar2
Topic: 240  Message: 241

The FCC has announced that they are dropping the code requirements for General and Extra.

I sent this out earlier, but the attachment got dropped.

http://hraunfoss.fcc.gov/edocs_public/attachmatch/DOC-269012A1.doc is a link to the official fcc document.

also see http://www.arrl.org/news/stories/2006/12/15/104/

Tom
KI4MDU

# 242. Free study material for the Element 3 exam (General)

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2006-12-16 21:59:26 UTC
From: tom burkhart
Topic: 242  Message: 242

I found an free study guide for the Element 3 exam (general) in pdf
format at http://telemetry.nmsu.edu/~shoran/PDF/general_student_manual.pdf

This appears to be a slight rewrite of the ARRL General Q&A book.

Hope this will help people prepare for their element 3 test.

Tom
KI4MDU

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# 243. another source for study materials

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2006-12-16 22:05:18 UTC
From: tom burkhart
Topic: 243  Message: 243

Another source for study materials is at http://studyguide.eqth.org/

This is very concise, cramming all the info into 30 pages.

It also has study guides for the tech & extra tests.

Sorry for all the email

Tom
KI4MDU

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# 244. Digital Sign-in to the NFARES Net, 12/17/2006, 7:00 pm

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2006-12-17 00:04:40 UTC
From: nfares@yahoogroups.com
Topic: 244  Message: 244

Reminder from: nfares Yahoo! Group
http://groups.yahoo.com/group/nfares/cal

Digital Sign-in to the NFARES Net
Sunday December 17, 2006
7:00 pm - 8:00 pm
(This event repeats every week.)
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# 245. FCC is going to drop the code requirements

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2006-12-16 03:39:38 UTC
From: tom burkhart
Topic: 240  Message: 245

The FCC has announced that they are dropping the code requirements for
General and Extra.

I sent this out earlier, but the attachment got dropped.

http://hraunfoss.fcc.gov/edocs_public/attachmatch/DOC-269012A1.doc is a
link to the official fcc document.

also see http://www.arrl.org/news/stories/2006/12/15/104/

Tom
KI4MDU

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# 246. NFARL eNEWS 01/07/07

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2007-01-09 14:43:21 UTC
From: Fred Moore
Topic: 246  Message: 246

Happy New Year - Well here we are, now approaching the second week in the new year of 2007. Christmas has come and gone. It seemed like it happened at the blink of an eye. You know, this happens to you the older you get. Time goes by faster and faster each year. Can you remember when you were a youngster, you always wanted things to get here sooner. You wanted time to go faster. Now you are probably saying that you wish time would go by just a little bit slower. Well sorry, that is the way it is. Can't change it.

NFARL Christmas Party - I would like to personally thank those of you that came to the Christmas party at my house, and brought a gift for a child. Those gifts went to the Children's hospital, Scottish Rite, also now known as Children's Healthcare of Atlanta <http://www.choa.org/default.aspx?id=40> down at "Pill Hill" for those children that were not fortunate enough to be home for Christmas. We personally do not know who they specifically went to, but I am sure that the hospital staff delivered them to some needy child that had to spend Christmas in the hospital.

Meeting Information - January 16, 2007 is approaching. It will be our first meeting of the new year. For those of you that have not been to one of our recent meetings, it is located at the Alpharetta Fire Station #1 at 2970 Webb Bridge Road. The meeting time is 7:30 PM and will end around 8:30-9:00 PM. The North Fulton ARES group meets there as well, on the same night, but at 6:30PM. You are also more than welcome to attend that meeting as well.

Remember, January 16, 2007 That is the 3rd Tuesday of the month.

This link is for directions the meeting site http://tinyurl.com/yhd25e

Our guest speaker this month will be Robin Cutshaw <aa4rc>.
He will be presenting the ICOM approach to the new digital communications

NFARL Yahoo Group - One more thing, we are trying to get our NFARL membership as well as friends of NFARL, to become members of the NFARL yahoogroup. To become a member of that mailing list, just send a blank message to: nfarl-subscribe@yahoogroups.com Now if you would also like to read the archives online, see pictures from club members, etc, you may go to http://groups.yahoo.com/group/nfarl/ and click the JOIN THIS GROUP in upper right, follow the instructions from there. Come on, join the group. You also don't have to be a member of NFARL to join the group.

You don't actually have to have a Yahoo ID to be a yahoo group member to send/receiver messages. However, you DO have to have a Yahoo ID if you intend on reading the archives online, looking at photos, etc.

NFARL FUN EVENT - NFARL is committed to having some FUN stuff each month outside the meetings. For example, we had a 60M TEST last month and had 8 check-ins. We want to do it again. However, we want to try it during the

day. The best time seems to be Sunday, Jan. 14 at 3PM. We will meet on channel 2 of the 60M band plan - 5348 KHz (center freq). See: http://www.arrl.org/FandES/field/regulations/faq-60.html#two

GARS Techfest this Saturday - GARS Techfest Jan. 13 It is entirely free INCLUDING the chili!! This figures to be a ton of fun. Car pool anyone?? N4CLA Fred n4cla@... , W4QO Jim w4qo@... and KJ4HE Walt kj4he@... are planning on going to represent NFARL. Please email one of us if you wish to hitch a ride. We will also have a table there. Any others want to join in?

You can do any type of display as long as it involves Amateur Radio. Alford Memorial will be there, SEDX will be there and ARC is invited. There will be small table signs for each group.

There is no fee, and a free lunch. Attn Chuck Daley KD4LXQ!!!! Does someone have a Chili formula they are proud of that they can enter for the Chili Cook-off Contest. Entries need to be in a crock pot and entered before 11:00.

Anyone interested can come for the TailGate starting at 8:00 Set up at 9:00 TechFest starts at 10:00.

More on TechFest is on the GARS web site. see: http://www.gars.org/

That's all for now - Maybe we will see you at the next meeting, or on 60 meters, or at the GARS TechFest or at a couple of these events.

# 247. Georgia Special Olympics Winter Games

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2007-01-09 16:41:21 UTC
From: Victor Wasilov
Topic: 247  Message: 247

FROM : Terry Gibbs, WK4E, EC Cobb ARES

Fellow ARES Members -

As many of you know, Cobb ARES has provided communications support to the Georgia Special Olympics Winter Games for several years. During the third weekend in January, Special Olympic athletes from the entire state of Georgia compete at 25 separate sporting events at 12 different venues scattered throughout Cobb County. I'm emailing each of my neighboring ARES Emergency Coordinators today requesting your help. Available manpower this year is less than in years past and we have some very important gaps that need to be filled.

The Georgia Special Olympic Winter Games will be held January 19-21. All competition is indoors. The Cobb ARES communications plan uses two local repeaters that allow us to communicate using handheld radios from each venue. If you or any of your members could help Cobb ARES would certainly appreciate the helping hand.

All that is required is an Amateur Radio license, a hand held radio, a spare battery, and a few hours of time. If you or any of your members are interested please contact me or any of the persons listed below. Thanks.

73 de Terry

Terry Gibbs, WK4E
Emergency Coordinator
Cobb ARES

Sid Bishop, KB4QKZ
sbishopbishop@...
770-926-8375

Curt Beeman, WB4JFS
cpbeeman@...
770-218-8592

Terry Gibbs, WK4E
wk4e@...
770-971-5350

# 248. Sunday NFARES net

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2007-01-12 00:00:03 UTC
From: Victor Wasilov
Topic: 248  Message: 248

I once again have to go out of town this Sunday and will not be
available to run the NFARES net this week. I would appreciate it if
someone would call the net. The script is on the new website.

www.nfares.org

If one of you do decide to run the net, please send a net report to me
with the number of participants, start time and end tme.

Thanks and 73

Victor

# 249. NFARES Meeting, 1/16/2007, 6:30 pm

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2007-01-14 23:26:57 UTC
From: nfares@yahoogroups.com
Topic: 249 Message: 249

Reminder from: nfares Yahoo! Group
http://groups.yahoo.com/group/nfares/cal

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Tuesday January 16, 2007
6:30 pm - 7:15 pm
(This event repeats every month on the third Tuesday.)
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# 250. NFARL Meeting January 01/16/07

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2007-01-16 03:46:11 UTC
From: Fred Moore
Topic: 250  Message: 250

This is just a friendly reminder that the next NFARL meeting is tomorrow,
Tuesday January 16th at 7:30PM and will end about 8:30 - 9:00PM.
The meeting is going to be at the Alpharetta Fire House #1
This is the link for directions to the meeting site
http://tinyurl.com/yhd25e

Robin Cutshaw, AA4RC is going to be our speaker and will speak about the new
digital communications from ICOM called D-Star.

There will be door prizes at the end of the meeting, and we look forward to
seeing you there.

Come join us if you can.

# 251. Here is an idea for all those hout there wanting to be ready for that next emergency

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2007-01-14 17:40:11 UTC
From: David
Topic: 243  Message: 251
Attachments: 4 described; binary payloads are missing from this source WARC

I have three pictures of the radio go box and a word doc on how I put it to gether. Hope you enjoy

see ya

73's
N1IB
David Schornak
K2 03027
www.n1ib.com <http://www.n1ib.com>
www.n1ib.com/blog/ <http://www.n1ib.com/blog/>
www.n1ib.com/leather/ <http://www.n1ib.com/leather/>

arf
don't forget me
Mis Ginger

# 252. 30 days and counting

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2007-01-24 14:41:25 UTC
From: David
Topic: 250  Message: 252

no code testing

<http://www.access.gpo.gov/su_docs/aces/fr-cont.html>
http://www.access.gpo.gov/su_docs/aces/fr-cont.html

<http://a257.g.akamaitech.net/7/257/2422/01jan20071800/edocket.access.gpo.go
v/2007/pdf/E7-729.pdf>
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<http://preview.tinyurl.com/2wo3ul> http://preview.tinyurl.com/2wo3ul

FEDERAL COMMUNICATIONS COMMISSION
47 CFR Part 97
[WT Docket No. 04-140, WT Docket No. 05-235; FCC 06-178]
Amateur Service Rules
AGENCY: Federal Communications Commission.
ACTION: Final rule.

# 253. NFARL eNEWS Feb 2007

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2007-02-03 14:37:29 UTC
From: Fred Moore
Topic: 253  Message: 253
Attachments: 1 described; binary payloads are missing from this source WARC

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This will be our second meeting of the new year. For those of you that have not been to one of our recent meetings, it is located at the Alpharetta Fire Station #1 at 2970 Webb Bridge Road. The meeting time is 7:30 PM and will end around 8:30-9:00 PM. The North Fulton ARES group meets there as well, on the same night, but at 6:30PM. You are also more than welcome to attend that meeting as well.
Remember, February 20, 2007 That is the 3rd Tuesday of the month. This link is for directions to the meeting site <http://tinyurl.com/yhd25e> http://tinyurl.com/yhd25e
INVITE A STUDENT TO FEBRUARY MEETING - Here is your opportunity to put NFARL way ahead of the pack. Go to: <http://tinyurl.com/2jaadq> http://tinyurl.com/2jaadq and download, print and mail this flyer to a teacher you know. Hopefully they or some key students they know will find this program very interesting and come to the meeting in February. Not all meetings will be of interest to non hams but this one will. If you don't know any science or math teachers in area high and middle schools send it to any teacher you know and ask those to forward to science, math, or other teachers they know. This could be done via email or by snail mail. In an email, just include the tinyURL above and let them forward it on. Come on you can do it! We know you can!!
NFARL Yahoo Group - One more thing, we are trying to get every NFARL member as well as friends of NFARL, to become members of the NFARL yahoo group. To become a member of that mailing list, just send a blank message to: <http://webmail.bellsouth.net/agent/MobNewMsg?to=nfarl-subscribe@yahoogroups.com> nfarl-subscribe@yahoogroups.com Now if you would also like to read the archives online, see pictures from club members, etc, you may go to <http://groups.yahoo.com/group/nfarl/> http://groups.yahoo.com/group/nfarl/ and click the JOIN THIS GROUP in upper right, and just follow the instructions from there. Come on, join the group. You also don't have to be a member of NFARL to join the group.

Remember, you don't actually have to have a Yahoo ID to be a yahoo group member to send/receive messages. However, you DO have to have a Yahoo ID if you intend on reading the archives online, looking at photos, etc. The ID is simple to get and once you have one, it's a snap to join other great yahoo ham groups such as the North GA QRP list (nogaqrp), the Atlanta Radio

Club list (AtlantaRadioClub), and over 100 other yahoo lists dealing with ham radio.
It's official, Techs get 10M ssb on Feb. 23
Circle Friday, February 23, on your calendar. That's when the current 5 WPM Morse code requirement will officially disappear from the Amateur Radio Service Part 97 rules in accordance with the FCC's Report and Order ( <http://hraunfoss.fcc.gov/edocs_public/attachmatch/FCC-06-178A1.pdf> R&O) in the "Morse code proceeding," WT Docket 05-235. Beginning on that date, applicants for a General or Amateur Extra class Amateur Radio license no longer will have to demonstrate proficiency in Morse code. They'll just have to pass the applicable written examination. Publication <http://a257.g.akamaitech.net/7/257/2422/01jan20071800/edocket.access.gpo.gov/2007/pdf/E7-729.pdf> of the new rules in the January 24 Federal Register started a 30-day countdown for the new rules to become effective. Deletion of the Morse requirement -- still a matter of controversy within the amateur community -- is a landmark in Amateur Radio history.
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Don't know the exact ruling on the following, but there is some conjecture that the Tech's will also have privileges on the following bands 80, 40, 15 meters using this thing called International Morse Code, along with RTTY on 10 meters.
Ever hear of ULS? The first link is a description of the Universal Licensing System. The ULS is a function of the FCC. I personally have used this system to update my call sign information, and it works. All you will need to do is get a registration number which is painless and easy to get. Just go to this link for a description of ULS, look around the site and see what you think. If you have been hesitant in updating your information, maybe now is the time since everything is paperless.
http://wireless.fcc.gov/uls/index.htm?job=about#d35e41
This second link will take you directly to the first step of getting your registration number if you don't already have one.
<https://wireless2.fcc.gov/UlsEntry/licManager/login.jsp>
https://wireless2.fcc.gov/UlsEntry/licManager/login.jsp
Enough said on this subject.
Kennehoochee Hamfest for March 17th
NFARL will have a table at this Hamfest, but we need your help manning the NFARL table from 8AM - 4PM. We are developing a club "item" to sell at our table and also some demonstrations need to be developed. So even if you can't attend, can we get 3 or 4 to help with this? Please contact n4cla@...
<http://webmail.bellsouth.net/agent/MobNewMsg?to=n4cla@...> ,
w4qo@...

<http://webmail.bellsouth.net/agent/MobNewMsg?to=w4qo@...> ,
kj4he@...
<http://webmail.bellsouth.net/agent/MobNewMsg?to=kj4he@...> , or
kc4ybo@...
<http://webmail.bellsouth.net/agent/MobNewMsg?to=kc4ybo@...> . It
might even be possible to sell some of your STUFF off the table as well, or
maybe sell off the table for a commission if you don't want to be there. We
can talk about this at the club meeting.
Well that is all for now. Please plan on coming if you haven't been a
meeting in a while. We would love to see you again. Last month we had 30
people in attendance and the attendance is growing each month.

# 254. NFARL eNEWS Oooops

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2007-02-08 05:08:40 UTC
From: Fred Moore
Topic: 254  Message: 254
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Oooops
This is being sent because the link information in the invite a student link in the last email was incorrect as well as the information regarding the dues change never making it into the email.

INVITE A STUDENT TO FEBRUARY MEETING
Here is your opportunity to put NFARL way ahead of the pack. Go to: http://groups.yahoo.com/group/nfarl/files/feb_flyer.jpg and download, print and mail this flyer to a teacher you know. Hopefully they or some key students they know will find this program very interesting and come to the meeting in February. Not all meetings will be of interest to non hams but this one will. If you don't know any science or math teachers in area high and middle schools send it to any teacher you know and ask those to forward to science, math, or other teachers they know. This could be done via email or by snail mail. In an email, just include the link above and let them forward it on. Come on you can do it! We know you can!!

NFARL Dues changed at January Meeting
Members at the last meeting voted to change the dues structure. It's now $20 per year for all members except additional family members which remains at $5. That's right - Young/old/students/retirees/workers/rich/poor/hams/non-hams/etc - it's all the same - $20 per year. So sign up or renew now - What a bargain.

We would very much like for you to go to this link http://www.nfarl.org/memberapp.pdf and download the file and send it in to the address on the top of the form with your current information so we can update our records. Your assistance in doing this would be very much appreciated.

Oh BTW, y'all also need to check this out http://www.legis.state.ga.us/legis/2007_08/pdf/hb5.pdf This is Georgia House Bill 5 and has everything to do with operating your HAM RADIO in the car, or your cell phone in the car. This also allows the POLICE, FIRE and any government agency the right to do these things without penalty.

Come see us at the next meeting FEBRUARY 20, 2007, 7:30PM Directions at this link http://tinyurl.com/yhd25e . Door prizes will be given

Thank you.

# 255. NFARES Meeting, 2/20/2007, 6:30 pm

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2007-02-18 23:25:44 UTC
From: nfares@yahoogroups.com
Topic: 255  Message: 255

Reminder from: nfares Yahoo! Group
http://groups.yahoo.com/group/nfares/cal

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Tuesday February 20, 2007
6:30 pm - 7:15 pm
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# 256. [Fwd: Important Info on Upcoming Exercise]

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2007-02-19 00:09:45 UTC
From: tom burkhart
Topic: 256  Message: 256
Attachments: 2 described; binary payloads are missing from this source WARC

Greetings, All, Here I am again, as promised. Before getting into telling y all about the big exercise that s coming up next month, let me make a quick

# 257. NFARL eNEWS Feb 2007 Meeting Announcement

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2007-02-19 17:08:56 UTC
From: Fred Moore
Topic: 257  Message: 257
Attachments: 1 described; binary payloads are missing from this source WARC

Meeting - February 20, 2007 is approaching. TOMORROW!
Our guest speaker this month will be nationally known Homebrew expert Ted Bruce <KX4OM>.
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Last month we had 30 people in attendance and the attendance is growing each month. Come on out and join the group. Hope to see you there.

# 258. National Guard Training exercise - March 10 - join in

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2007-02-18 22:36:06 UTC
From: Jim Stafford W4QO
Topic: 258  Message: 258

This is from AF4FO today:
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GEORGIA ARES HURREX EXERCISE

Attention all amateur radio operators in the State of Georgia.

On Saturday March 10, 2007 Georgia ARES along with the Georgia National Guard will be sponsoring a hurricane exercise (HURREX). Georgia is long overdue for a major hurricane strike and this could be the year. We ask you to prepare and participate. According to Dan Brown the ESF-2 (communications) Director at GEMA amateur radio is still a valuable resource and we need to be prepared to do the job when all else fails. Please join us, test your gear and your skills. The results of this exercise will be used in a report to GEMA and the National Guard to show our readiness status.
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There is more to it than this but mark your calendars. I didn't see the full details fon the http://www.gaares.org/ but I suspect it will be there soon so keep an eye out for it.

I'll be out of town that day in WVa so doubt I'll be QNI.

Jim/W4QO

# 259. ING GA Marathon - HELP pls

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2007-02-24 00:34:46 UTC
From: Jim Stafford W4QO
Topic: 259  Message: 259

Let's see how many of us can help out with this marathon.

For info, see:

http://groups.yahoo.com/group/nfarl/message/918

This should be an open link. Let me know if it's not.

See you Sunday on the net.

Jim/W4QO

# 260. Operators needed to support a public service event

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2007-03-11 23:56:22 UTC
From: tom burkhart
Topic: 260  Message: 260
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# 261. MARCH NFARL eNews

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2007-03-13 17:06:43 UTC
From: Fred Moore
Topic: 261  Message: 261
Attachments: 2 described; binary payloads are missing from this source WARC

Meeting - March 20, 2007 is approaching.
Our guest speaker this month will be nationally known Homebrew expert Tom Koch, W4UOC
Tom, has been an Atlanta amateur radio fixture for years. He has an extensive background in restoring old equipment and his station could be a museum. His March meeting presentation will cover some basic history of how ham radio was founded from the early spark gap transmitters and related receiving equipment. It will touch on the various aspects of ham radio and the diversity of the hobby and a review of some of the vintage transmitters and receivers (AM, CW and SSB) that are still quite popular with those interested in "BOATAHCNORS". You don't want to miss this one - there something for everyone. Check out his web site at:
http://members.aol.com/w4uoc/index.html

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<http://webmail.bellsouth.net/agent/MobNewMsg?to=nfarl-subscribe@yahoogroups.com> nfarl-subscribe@yahoogroups.com Now if you would also like to read the archives online, see pictures from club members, etc, you may go to
<http://groups.yahoo.com/group/nfarl/> http://groups.yahoo.com/group/nfarl/
and click the JOIN THIS GROUP in upper right, and just follow the instructions from there. Come on, join the group. You also don't have to be a member of NFARL to join the group. We would also like to thank those of you that have become NFARL-YAHOO members, thank you.

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If it is successful, and yes it has been successful, we'll consider meeting for a short chat every Friday night at this time. So join us!

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Kennehoochee Hamfest for March 17th

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Well that is all for now. Please plan on coming if you haven't been a meeting in a while. We would love to see you again. Last month we had 35 people in attendance and the attendance is growing each month. How 'bout bringing one of your ham or non-ham friends. See you maybe Saturday at the Kennehoochee Hamfest and hopefully at the meeting.

# 262. Weather Training Monday Mar. 19??

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2007-03-16 00:33:46 UTC
From: Jim Stafford W4QO
Topic: 262  Message: 262

Where is that info on the weather training this Monday night? I have on calender but no details.

Jim/w4qo

# 263. Fw: [nfares] Digest Number 210 - SkyWarn Training

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2007-03-17 23:27:56 UTC
From: Lee Juckett
Topic: 263  Message: 263

SkyWarn training information is shown below.

I contacted Wesley McCall and he said I should arrive 15 minutes early to register. If anyone else plans to go, I suggest you give him the courtesy of a call or email.

- Lee, AF4IA

http://www.srh.noaa.gov/ffc/html/sched.shtml

Fulton County
March 19, 2007 at 7:00 p.m.
Roswell-Alpharetta Public Safety Training Center
11565 Maxwell Rd.
Alpharetta 30004
Contact: Wesley McCall (678) 297-6355
or wmccall@...

----- Forwarded Message ----
From: "nfares@yahoogroups.com"
<nfares@yahoogroups.com>
To: nfares@yahoogroups.com
Sent: Friday, March 16, 2007 7:53:50 AM
Subject: [nfares] Digest Number 210

There is 1 message in this issue.

Topics in this digest:

1. Weather Training Monday Mar. 19??
From: Jim Stafford W4QO

Message
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1. Weather Training Monday Mar. 19??
Posted by: "Jim Stafford W4QO" w4qo@... byjimeny
Date: Thu Mar 15, 2007 6:12 pm
((PDT))

Where is that info on the weather training this Monday night? I have
on calender but no details.

Jim/w4qo

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required)

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# 264. NFARES Meeting, 3/20/2007, 6:30 pm

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2007-03-18 22:25:35 UTC
From: nfares@yahoogroups.com
Topic: 264  Message: 264

Reminder from: nfares Yahoo! Group
http://groups.yahoo.com/group/nfares/cal

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# 265. NRCEV (www.nrcev.org),

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2007-03-22 20:52:26 UTC
From: Victor Wasilov
Topic: 265  Message: 265

You may have heard about the company offering certification & ID's.
Below is some additional information from Cooper/WA4PZD.
As always, Buyer Beware!

Victor
KI4HPX

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Hi folks:

re: NRCEV (www.nrcev.org), Rick e-letter of April, 2007.

Placed a couple of calls concerning the NRCEV. Talked to a lawyer friend of mine at HomeLand Security in D.C. and she transferred me to some other people.

Talked to an accrediting agency for professional communications types.

No one (I have talked to) has ever heard of these people. I can no affiliations with other groups or organizations. Appears to be start-up group, applying their (questionable) pre-requisites to their certification program.

I looked at their package. You certify everything. There appears to be no independent verification of what is submitted by a group or the individual. Background check consist of an affidavit- Big Whoop.

Web site and registration (certification) package looks good and impressive on paper (well screen) but no substance to the credentials. I cannot find where their certification is recognized by anyone.

Appears to be a $25.00 fee for nothing and an ID card of very questionable value, not to mention the time spent putting thier package together.

73,
Cooper/wa4pzd
V/C ARRL S.E. Div.

# 266. Artticle on Emergency Training for Alpharetta

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2007-03-23 17:39:23 UTC
From: Jim Stafford W4QO
Topic: 266  Message: 266

Lt. Harrison who does the community CERT training for Alpharetta, and he posted this article on the Alpharetta website. Notice you do NOT have to be a resident of Alpharetta to attend the training.

http://www.alpharetta.ga.us/index.php?m=articles&id=377

Also, there has been a grant received for $5100 for equipment for the CERT and it's described here:

http://www.alpharetta.ga.us/index.php?m=articles&id=372

If you are not familiar with CERT, here is a page from the city on it:

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Finally, for more info on what it takes to be a CERT member, go to:

https://www.citizencorps.gov/cert/

While you are not a CERT member by taking the course shown in the "Training Materials" section, it is a good introduction to the entire program.

NOTE: The synopsis and the exam are both on the NFARL Nuggets 2007 CD being sold by the NFARL club as a fund raiser this year. Do you have your copy? Send w4qo@... an email for info on how to order it.

I attended the Storm Spotter training last Monday and was surprised to see so many people there (probably 60). Only a few were ham operators and they all should be. This could be a source of new operators if we can tap into it. And flipping the coin, ham operators should assist their communities.

73 - Jim - W4QO

# 267. Re: Artticle on Emergency Training for Alpharetta

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2007-03-26 12:45:06 UTC
From: Victor Wasilov
Topic: 266  Message: 267

Just a point of clarification. It is true you do not have to be a resident of Alpharetta. However, if your county has a CERT program you will need to get permission (in writing) from your county CERT program director stating that he/she approves you taking the course in Alpharetta. This letter has to be submitted along with your application. This is a requirment for out of county participats. It protects Alpharetta from potential loss of future funding/grants.

Victor
KI4HPX

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# 268. Georgia Phone / Radio Bill (GA HB-5)

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2007-03-28 16:55:19 UTC
From: Victor Wasilov
Topic: 268  Message: 268

Good news for this year.

The cell phone/radio bill (Ga. HB-5) apparently did not make through this year's legislative session. I understand that it will be re-introduced next year with changes exempting amateur radio.

73,
Cooper/wa4pzd

# 269. New NFARES Appointments

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2007-04-04 13:18:45 UTC
From: Victor Wasilov
Topic: 209  Message: 269

I have great news.

Please join me in welcoming and congratulating Tom, W4UOC on his appointment as the new Emergency Coordinator and Lee, AF4IA as the new Assistant Emergency Coordinator for North Fulton ARES.

Please provide all the assistance and encouragement you can to both of them. For starters let's have all of the NFARES members call into this Sunday's 7:30 PM ARES net to show our for Tom and Lee.

Thanks and 73

Victor
KI4HPX

# 270. Op Ed: EmComm ☐ What☐s It All About?

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2007-04-05 12:25:31 UTC
From: Lee Juckett
Topic: 270  Message: 270

Interesting article on emergency communications at the following link:
http://www.arrl.org/news/features/2007/04/05/01/

73,
- Lee, AF4IA

# 271. April eNEWS-2007

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2007-04-10 01:18:41 UTC
From: Fred Moore
Topic: 271  Message: 271
Attachments: 1 described; binary payloads are missing from this source WARC

eNEWS - April, 2007
eNEWS is getting bigger and it's due to your support and interest in NFARL activities. You'll notice that we include very little here that NFARL is not actually doing. Read ARRL.org or eHAM.net for that stuff! Here is your April edition:

Meeting - April 17 - 7:30 PM
Ted Bruce, KX4OM, will be returning from the great presentation he made in February. This month he'll be speaking on "Techniques for Learning". Ted has found that he has learned much more "since school" than he did "in school". He'll tell us all how to do it this month! Our meeting is held at the Alpharetta Fire Station #1 at 2970 Webb Bridge Road. The meeting time is 7:30 PM and will end around 9:00 PM. For directions to the meeting site <http://tinyurl.com/yhd25e> http://tinyurl.com/yhd25e As you know, we are getting 35-40 at the meetings so throw in a folding camp chair if you have one. New this month - Toys for Techies - Bring good, clean items to give away as door prizes. What do you have that is surplus - books, components, antenna parts, radios, transceivers, amplifiers, well, you get the idea. We still have the HRO Gift Certificate each month, but we want more!

Make note: The May 15 Meeting - K1TV on the WCC commercial station on Cape Cod - More to follow!

Hungry Hams Lunch Bunch
Members have started congregating at the Slope's BBQ on Crossville Road each Wednesday at 11:45AM. Come join us. Bring a friend. Slope's is just EAST of Crabapple Road on Crossville in Roswell.

Techs on Ten Net - Fridays 9PM
The Techs on Ten net is not just for Techs. Everyone should check in. There is much trading of 10-10 numbers and there should be some new ones on this week. The freq is now 28.470. If you check in and if this is your first HF contact, tell the NCS (NF4GA) and a certificate will be sent your way. A thought provoking question is posed each week. If you have a question to provoke - send it to <mailto:w4qo@...> w4qo@...

Amateur Radio Emergency Service (ARES)
Victor, KI4HPX, had to step down as EC due to work. Thanks Victor for your effort in the ARES - we know you'll still be around to help. Coming onboard is Tom Koch, W4UOC, our March speaker! Tom says he is looking forward to helping put North Fulton ARES on the map. So if you have an emergency call Tom! BTW Tom's generator is one we'll be using on Field Day. See: <http://www.nfares.org/> http://www.nfares.org/ Did you know that the North Fulton ARES net meets on 145.47 each Sunday at 7:30PM? Everyone, please check in and meet your ARES members/leaders.

Field Day 2007
Planning is underway for this year's FD. Like the "old" days it will be at Waller Park. Teams are forming now! They include Power, Antennas, Food, Shelter, Station 1, Station 2, and Bonus Points - the theme is Fun Day, Family Day, and oh yes, Field Day. Contact <mailto:kc4ybo@...> kc4ybo@... if you have any ideas or equipment that belongs to the club so he can inventory it soon. Work a little, work a lot - there is FOOD for all!! Mark your calendar - June 22 - 23.

KARC Hamfest Report
Team Leader Lee, AF4IA, reports about 14 of you helped with the Kennehoochee Hamfest table. Thanks to Lee and all who helped. We plan to do this again at the Atlanta RC Hamfest on June 2. So plan to sign up when the call goes out. Our table was a buzz of activity with our new banner on the wall, computers doing demos, and a projector to show off the new club NFARL Nuggets 2007. This CD contains over 400 megs of fun stuff in several aspects of ham radio and is our club fund raiser for this year. At the hamfest, we sold over $400 worth for the club treasury - Can you smell the cookout at FD now? If you do not have your copy, come to the meeting - it is $5 for club members and $10 for others. If you would like one mailed, you could send the money to N4CLA but just come to the meeting! For a summary of what is on the CD, check out <http://tinyurl.com/2qvp6q> http://tinyurl.com/2qvp6q

Upcoming Contests
Our club is sponsoring a plaque in the upcoming GA QSO Party, which will be held April 14-15. What's that? Well, it's the spring contest where the rest of the country/world tries to work Georgians. You will be very popular in this one - phone or CW. NFARL's name will be on the plaque for the winner of the GA LOW POWER PHONE category along with the winner's name of course. This one is a lot of fun even if you've never done a contest before. Check out http://gqp.contesting.com/ for details and exchange.

Shack Visits
Each month we try to have activities between meetings. Details are being finalized for Shack Visits in early May. Stay tuned to the YAHOO list for info. You're not on that list? To become a member of the NFARL mailing list, just send a message with your name and callsign in the body to: <http://webmail.bellsouth.net/agent/MobNewMsg?to=nfarl-subscribe@yahoogroups.com> nfarl-subscribe@yahoogroups.com. Now if you would also like to read the archives online, see projects from club members, etc, you may go to <http://groups.yahoo.com/group/nfarl/> http://groups.yahoo.com/group/nfarl/ and click the JOIN THIS GROUP in upper right corner, and just follow the instructions from there. Come on, join the group. You don't have to be a member of NFARL to join the group. We would like to thank those of you that have become NFARL-YAHOO members.

Mentoring Team
If you would like to be a helper to a new or prospective ham, send your name to <mailto:HELP@...> HELP@... Or, if you need HELP, do the same. We are now matching up helpers and helpees. We feel this can be a more efficient way to get folks moving up through the levels of ham radio

rather than a class. Classes require a lot of "coordinated" effort - location, scheduling, publicity, materials, instructors, etc. Not everyone is ready for the same level of instruction at the same time. With all the great study materials out there, including an online license course from ARRL, many folks just need someone to talk to or coach them with a few topics to pass the test. At the present time, we have 4 identified mentors who are working with people. More are needed. Is it you?
Note: For those looking for a formal class to achieve the TECH or upgrade to General, the Forsyth Co. ARES team is beginning classes in late April. Check it out: <http://groups.yahoo.com/group/nfarl/message/976> http://groups.yahoo.com/group/nfarl/message/976

New Hams
Speaking of new hams - Jeff, KI4UTS, just received his license. Took the test at KARC Hamfest, came by the table, joined our club, bought a CD, came to the March Meeting, and got his ticket in late March - longer than he wanted it to take! However, he is now on the air with a loaned handheld - listen for him. KI4TBD, Erwin, is also a fairly new ham in our club. He has been on the Techs on Ten net and is a regular on the 145.47 repeater. Have you noticed - activity is picking up on the repeater especially around noon and PM drive time. Any other new hams out there - let us know at <mailto:info@...> info@...

Membership
The club is now standing at 65 paid members. We want a hundred before year's end. This will take initiatives on a number of fronts - old members to renew, telling others you know about the club (we have a small business card you should carry to give out which you can pick up at the meetings), bring a friend to the meeting, invite someone to the lunch bunch. In all, we need your help to Hit A Hundred!

License Privileges
We do need to mention one thing that is not directly NFARL. Many Tech licensees are confused about their HF privileges. At the Tech level, you are only allowed VOICE HF privileges on the 10M band - 28.300 to 28.500. You may operate CW in the area of the bands assigned to the Novice class. If you're not sure, don't go there! For full band chart, check the ARRL site: <http://www.arrl.org/FandES/field/regulations/bands.html> http://www.arrl.org/FandES/field/regulations/bands.html

Secretary/Treasurer Request
Renewals and New memberships are sent out electronically to our members based on the anniversary date of their joining the club. There have been rare instances where someone will have paid their dues and shortly thereafter will receive another invoice indicating that their dues are again due. The invoicing process is done mostly in an automatic mode, and is a QuickBooks application, so if this has happened to you, please send me a reply back to the address from where the invoice was sent, or send an email to <mailto:info@...> info@... indicating that there is a problem. Please do not feel that we are trying to double bill you.

Well that is all for now. Please plan on coming if you haven't been to a meeting in a while. We would love to see you again. Last month we had 40 people in attendance and we're growing each month.

If you have questions or suggestions for the club, please send your email to: <mailto:help@...> help@...

# 272. FW: K3PPY, Dave McBride's memorial service

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2007-04-19 19:42:27 UTC
From: Fred Moore
Topic: 272  Message: 272

Subject: K3PPY, Dave McBride's memorial service

I am sorry to have to announce that Dave McBride, K3PPY, a long time member of NFARL, has passed on to his home with Jesus Christ. I personally have known Dave for his 20+ years here in Atlanta and as it is said by his son Ryan, he is in a better place. I was also very fortunate to have been able to spend some time with Dave in the last 2 weeks of his life visiting and remembering old times.

If any of you knew Dave, below are the times and places for his memorial service.

Fred Moore
N4CLA

(This email is being sent to everyone that has had some association with NFARL, in hopes of reaching all of Dave's friends)

Impossible to say, Dad is in a better place. Jesus carried him home Wednesday morning about 10am. Per dad's direction we will have an upbeat and happy memorial service celebrating that he is no longer in pain and no longer bound by the earth as we all still know it.
Location:
Eastside Baptist Church
2450 Lower Roswell Road
Marietta, Ga 30068
770-971-2323 is the church's main line.
Date:
Saturday April 28, 2007 @ 3:00pm in the sanctuary
Reception will follow

Chris and I are hanging in. The reality has not really set in yet. We have merely been performing all the required tasks over the past 24 hours. We are staying in Dads house for the next week or so until we head back to Orlando. Chris professors have been great and allowed Chris to postpone his finals until he gets back. I am ready to hit the ground running and at this point just keep moving. Thank you all so very much for all the amazing letters and notes, flowers and emails you have sent. They have been a huge help not only to dad but also to Chris and I.

I still need any pictures you may have on file or tucked away of dad at ANY point in his life. Please email or mail these to me. I will send any hard copies back asap once I have scanned them.
60 Tate St.
Kennesaw, Ga 30144

Chris's number
678-467-6537 cell
Ryan's number
404-357-0028 cell

Please forward this email to everyone in Dave's community of friends.

Love,
Ryan

# 273. Net tonight - SUNDAY - 7:30PM - 145.47 repeater

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2007-04-22 18:37:11 UTC
From: Jim Stafford W4QO
Topic: 273  Message: 273

Remember the net and also did you see this at the ARRL website:

http://www.arrl.org/news/stories/2007/04/20/100/

It could happen here!

73,

W4QO
NF ARES member

# 274. Fwd: March of Dimes Walk at Lake Lanier Islands

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2007-04-27 01:41:56 UTC
From: David Ziskind
Topic: 274  Message: 274

Public service opportunity on Saturday. Contact John if you are interested.

73,
David KE4QLH

---------- Forwarded message ----------
From: John Davis <JDavis@...>
Date: Apr 26, 2007 9:35 PM
Subject: March of Dimes Walk at Lake Lanier Islands
To:

Thank you so much for volunteering for the March of Dimes Walk at Lake Lanier Islands this Saturday. This will be a fun event for all of us. Here's some final information for you.

First, we have to arrive early at 7:00 am. To get to Lake Lanier Islands, take I-85 North to I-985 North to Exit 8 (Friendship Road). Turn left on Friendship Road. Friendship Road will turn into Holiday Road and will dead end into the gates of Lake Lanier Islands. Tell the attendant you are a volunteer for the March of Dimes Walk for free admission. Follow the signs to the Holiday or Lakeview Pavilion. The Holiday Pavilion is being renovated so the walk and activities are being moved to the Lakeview Pavilion. It's off to the left of the Holiday Pavilion. There will be plenty of signs guiding the way once you get into the park.

Volunteers will be stationed along the walk route with HTs. You will receive your assignment when you arrive. Plan to have two frequencies in your HT. Talk in will be on 146.505 simplex and may be used during the walk. We will have a portable repeater in use to help with communications over the entire route. Please have the portable repeater pair pre-programmed in your HT as well (147.045-/PL 82.5).

Be prepared to be out in the sun for a couple of hours. Bring water or liquids, sunscreen, hat and dress cool. The forecast is for partly cloudy and a high of 75. Looks like the perfect day for a walk near the lake.

If you can recruit any other hams, please encourage them to come along and let me know. If anyone is interested in meeting for Breakfast before the event, we can meet at the Waffle House at GA20 and I-985 at 6:00 am. If you need to contact me, my cell is 770-310-8660.

Thanks again for volunteering. I look forward to seeing you Saturday morning.

John

WB4QDX

# 275. North Fulton ARES Net, 4/29/2007, 7:30 pm

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2007-04-28 23:25:55 UTC
From: nfares@yahoogroups.com
Topic: 275  Message: 275

Reminder from: nfares Yahoo! Group
http://groups.yahoo.com/group/nfares/cal

North Fulton ARES Net
Sunday April 29, 2007
7:30 pm - 8:30 pm
(This event repeats every week.)
Location: 145.470 MHz (or 145.41 MHz backup) repeater

Notes:
Consult www.fultonares.org for net schedule and frequencies.

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# 276. CQ Serenade

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2007-05-04 20:54:23 UTC
From: Victor Wasilov
Topic: 276  Message: 276

Jim Weidner, K2JXW, passed along the link to the website with the "CQ Serenade" song. If you havent heard it, it is worth listening to.
The attached link allows you to hear three different versions: one in English, one in French, and an instrumental. It sounds klike it was professionally done.

You can find the 3 versions at this URL.

http://www.zerobeat.net/cqsong.html

Hope you ejoy it as much as I have.

dit dit dit / dah dit dah

Victor
KI4HPX

# 277. Fwd: Peachtree Road Race 2007

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2007-05-05 15:57:43 UTC
From: David Ziskind
Topic: 277  Message: 277

Hi all,

Peachtree time is quickly approaching! I am looking forward to your support again this year. I am trying to increase the number of hams to a total of 25 for better communications support.

The details:
- Wednesday, July 4, 2007
- Most report times are around 6am. Most assignments are through by 10am. Some are shorter, some are longer.

How to volunteer:
1. Send me an email letting me know your availability, AND
2. Fill out the volunteer form and return to the Atlanta Track Club. Write in 'communications' towards the bottom.
<http://www.atlantatrackclub.org/07ptree-vol.pdf>

Thanks in advance for your support. Please forward to others who might be interested. I would like to have 25 operators this year!

73,
David Ziskind KE4QLH
ke4qlh@...
404-966-6864

# 278. North Fulton ARES Net, 5/6/2007, 7:30 pm

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2007-05-05 23:27:08 UTC
From: nfares@yahoogroups.com
Topic: 278  Message: 278

Reminder from: nfares Yahoo! Group
http://groups.yahoo.com/group/nfares/cal

North Fulton ARES Net
Sunday May 6, 2007
7:30 pm - 8:30 pm
(This event repeats every week.)
Location: 145.470 MHz (or 145.41 MHz backup) repeater

Notes:
Consult www.fultonares.org for net schedule and frequencies.

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# 279. REMINDER - North Fulton ARES Meeting - Tuesday May 15 at 6:30 PM

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2007-05-11 01:18:46 UTC
From: Lee Juckett
Topic: 279  Message: 279

This is a reminder that the next North Fulton ARES meeting will be this coming Tuesday May 15 from 6:30 PM to 7:15 PM.

Our meetings are held at:

Alpharetta Fire Headquarters
2970 Webb Bridge Rd.
Alpharetta, GA 30004

The meeting facility is in a separate building *behind* Alpharetta Fire Station #1 (the building with the trucks). Here is a link to a map of the location: http://tinyurl.com/ckqgv

Tom Koch, our newly-appointed Emergency Coordinator for North Fulton, will officiate.

After the NFARES meeting, plan to stick around for the North Fulton Amateur Radio League's monthly meeting, which begins at 7:30 PM.

73's to all,
- Lee Juckett, AF4IA

# 280. Re: REMINDER - North Fulton ARES Meeting - Tuesday May 15 at 6:30 PM

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2007-05-11 01:43:01 UTC
From: Lee Juckett
Topic: 279  Message: 280

Here is an alternate map link to the facility:
http://maps.yahoo.com/maps_result?addr=2970+Webb+Bridge+Rd&csz=30004&country=us&new=1&name=&qty=

- Lee

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# 281. NFARL eNEWS 2007-05

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2007-05-11 03:35:14 UTC
From: Fred Moore
Topic: 281  Message: 281
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eNEWS - MAY, 2007

eNEWS is "what's happening" in North Fulton! Check the headlines of each item and mark your calendar. Always be on the lookout for a way YOU can help on these activities/events. For news outside our area, read ARRL.org or eHAM.net! Here is your North Fulton ARL eNEWS - May edition:

ARES Meeting - May 15 - 6:30 PM - Tom Koch, W4UOC, our new Emergency Coordinator for North Fulton, has called his first meeting of the Amateur Radio Emergency Service for Tuesday before our regular meeting. Registered as ARES or not, try to attend this important meeting. See: http://www.nfares.org/ Did you know that the North Fulton ARES net meets on 145.47 each Sunday at 7:30PM? Everyone check in and meet your ARES members/leaders. Give back a little (or a lot) to this great hobby - join ARES!

Regular Club Meeting - May 15 - 7:30 PM - Ralph Siebert, K1TV, is our speaker for May. Ralph worked at the WCC Commercial Wireless Station on Cape Cod and will give us a tour of that facility via photos and video. This is where Marconi tests were run with Scotland, and much more. Location: Behind Alpharetta Fire Station #1 at 2970 Webb Bridge Road. Directions: http://tinyurl.com/yhd25e As you know, we are getting 35-40 at the meetings so throw in a folding camp chair if you have one. Door prizes- Toys for Techies - Bring good, clean items to give away as door prizes. What do you have that is surplus - books, components, antenna parts, radios, transceivers, amplifiers, well, you get the idea. We still have the HRO Gift Certificate each month, but we want more! Make a note: June 19th Meeting - K4BKD on "the fun of CW" and also last minute FD planning - More to follow!
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ham radio and is our club fund raiser for this year. If you do not have your copy, come to the hamfest - it is $5 for club members and $10 for others. If you would like one mailed, you could send the money to N4CLA but just come to the hamfest! For a summary of what is on the CD, check out http://tinyurl.com/2qvp6q

Field Day 2007 - June 22/23 - Planning is underway for this year's FD. Like the "old" days it will be at Waller Park. Teams are forming now! They include Power, Antennas, Food, Shelter, Station 1, Station 2, and Bonus Points - the theme is Fun, Family, and oh yes, Field Day. Contact kc4ybo@... if you have ideas or equipment that belongs to the club so he can inventory it soon. Work a little, work a lot - there is FOOD for all!! Mark your calendar and sign up at the meeting this month for a time slot and to be on a team to help.

Shack Visits a success - Each month we try to have activities between meetings. We call it Mid-Month Madness (MMM). Early April, it was Field Trip to Fry's. On May 5, we had visits to shacks of W4CNG and W4QO. Those who attended gave rave reviews and want more. It's not how much you have to show but how much fun you have "shooting the bull" and meeting our members. We are a friendly club and this is just one reason. MMM for next month is the ARC Hamfest, and for the following month, it's Field Day. Stay tuned to the YAHOO list for info on MMM and other activities. Hey, You're not on that list? Well, to become a member of the NFARL mailing list, just send a message with your name and call sign in the body to: nfarl-subscribe@yahoogroups.com <http://webmail.bellsouth.net/agent/MobNewMsg?to=nfarl-subscribe@yahoogroups.com> Now if you would also like to read the archives online, see projects from club members, etc, you may go to http://groups.yahoo.com/group/nfarl/ and click the JOIN THIS GROUP in upper right, and just follow the instructions from there. Come on, join the group. You don't have to be a member of NFARL to join the group. We would like to thank those of you that have become NFARL-YAHOO members.

A-Team - What's this? Well, it's the Assist Team. This now encompasses the previous Mentoring Team and is so much more. Special Projects? Help others when they need it. Need help with an antenna, help getting your ticket/upgrading? Need to borrow a rig, a key, a mic? So it's for NEW and OLD hams to get some HELP! If you would like to be a helper to a new or prospective ham or to a current ham who could use a hand, send your name to HELP@... Or if you need HELP, do the same. We are now matching up helpers and helpees. We'll do our best!

Membership - The club is now standing at 68 paid members. We want a hundred before year's end. This will take initiatives on a number of fronts - old members to renew, telling others you know about the club (we have a small business card you should carry to give out which you can pick up at the meetings), bring a friend to the meeting, invite someone to the lunch bunch. In all, we need your help to Hit A Hundred!
Feedback - Have some news? Did you upgrade? Get a new callsign? Any new hams out there - let us know at info@... Need to contact us?

President- W4QO@... Jim Stafford www.w4qo.com <http://www.w4qo.com/>
770-993-9500
VP - KC4YBO@... Steve Knittel
Sec/Treas - N4CLA@... Fred Moore
Program Chairman - KJ4HE@... Walt Woron
Exec Team members - AF4IA@... and KS4KJ@...
Note from the secretary/treasurer -

My plans are firming up now and I now have my tickets to Kenya, Nigeria and DR Congo.

Again, I am sorry that I will not be able to be a member of the FD team again this year, but the Lords work comes first. I will be leaving on May 22 for Kenya, then off to Nigeria on Jun 2, DR Congo on the Jun 18, Back to Nigeria on Jul 2 and back to the US on Jul 4.

What is really sad about these trips is that I will miss my wife's birthday on May 23, mine on May 27 and out Wedding Anniversary on Jul 4. Seems like I do this every year. The other thing is that it is really difficult to get reciprocal licensing in Congo and Nigeria. Congo won't even acknowledge me and Nigeria says you have to be a resident of at least 6 months before they will consider. So the radio stays home, otherwise it would get confiscated.

OK, so I am expecting that all will go well with the club while I am gone and that the rest of the management team will provide you with continued great club activities.

I am also sorry that I will not be able to continue the (N3AIA @#$%^&* word)but I assure you that when I return I will again continue working on my wire projects.

Well that is about all from this corner, send your eNEWS reports to w4qo@... while I am gone and I wish every one of you blessed and great 6 weeks of HAM radio and BTW, 10M openings are starting every day now. Listen on the low end 28,200 - 28,500. I worked CA5WQO last week on 28,495. That is in southern Chile.

Well that is all for now. Please plan on coming if you haven't been to a meeting in a while. We would love to see you again. We're growing each month. And remember - the club needs you to help. Do it!
If you have questions or suggestions for the club, send email to: help@...

73's and hope to see you at the meeting on this coming Tuesday,

Fred
N4cla@...

# 282. New file uploaded to nfares

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2007-05-11 15:02:33 UTC
From: nfares@yahoogroups.com
Topic: 201  Message: 282

Hello,

This email message is a notification to let you know that
a file has been uploaded to the Files area of the nfares
group.

File : /Carl & Jerry_ Adventures in Electron.pdf
Uploaded by : vwasilov <ki4hpx@...>
Description : Carl & Jerry, "Abetting or not".

You can access this file at the URL:
http://groups.yahoo.com/group/nfares/files/Carl%20%26%20Jerry_%20Adventures%20in%20Electro
n.pdf

To learn more about file sharing for your group, please visit:
http://help.yahoo.com/help/us/groups/files

Regards,

vwasilov <ki4hpx@...>

# 283. Excerpt: Carl Jerry, "Abetting or not" October 1956 Popular Electronics

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2007-05-11 15:04:11 UTC
From: Victor Wasilov
Topic: 283  Message: 283

This may be a trip down memory lane for some of you more seasoned hams.

I just posted a story excertped from Carl & Jerry, Their Complete
Adventures Volume 1 October 1956 Popular Electronics. It's title
is "Abetting or Not". The articles were writen by John T. Frye, W9EGV.

Enjoy

Victor
KI4HPX

# 284. Supplement to the eNEWS and PDF version of eNEWS

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2007-05-11 15:34:15 UTC
From: Fred Moore
Topic: 284  Message: 284
Attachments: 1 described; binary payloads are missing from this source WARC

Some how or another, the email addresses for these amateurs are now bouncing. If someone out there in our NFARL organization and distribution or anyone else for that matter has phone numbers or a known valid email address for any of these people, would you please send me that information. If you also know someone else that might like to get on this distribution, please forward me their names and email addresses as well. These are typically once a month emails, nothing more.

I would like to get them back on our email distribution for the eNEWS letter

Edward

Hill
KI4SBU

Bret
T
Arnold
N4BTA

Robert

Abercrombie
KG4SIX

John
W.
Huecksteadt
AC4CA

Charles

Rann
N4SHO

Brian

Greer
KD4DLV

Joe

Mehaffey
W2JO

Phillip
C.

Faulkner
K4PCF

Stuart

Kravitz
K3GA

Stephen
H
Kemp
WB4CVB

For those of you that may also be interested in the maps that I sent out on the last eNEWS, there is a complete list of "ALL" of the DXCC countries along with their prefixes available for your download at www.hamatlas.eu <http://www.hamatlas.eu/> . I forgot to include this link as part of the news letter. This fellow has done a lot of great work on these maps. This is what I call dedicated.

73's, and C U @ the meeting on 15 may 2005 @ 7:30PM

Fred
N4cla@...

# 285. Re: [nfares] New file uploaded to nfares

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2007-05-11 20:48:04 UTC
From: George Price
Topic: 201  Message: 285

"Whatever happened to Carl & Jerry?" would make a good
T-shirt at hamfests...

I remember learning a lot about electronics from those
monthly adventures. I bet there aren't a whole lot of us
left who can say that.

--- nfares@yahoogroups.com wrote:

>
> Hello,
>
> This email message is a notification to let you know that
> a file has been uploaded to the Files area of the nfares
> group.
>
> File : /Carl & Jerry_ Adventures in Electron.pdf
>
> Uploaded by : vwasilov <ki4hpx@...>
> Description : Carl & Jerry, "Abetting or not".
>
> You can access this file at the URL:
>
http://groups.yahoo.com/group/nfares/files/Carl%20%26%20Jerry_%20Adventures%20in%20Electro
n.pdf
>
>
> To learn more about file sharing for your group, please
> visit:
> http://help.yahoo.com/help/us/groups/files
>
> Regards,
>
> vwasilov <ki4hpx@...>
>
>
>
>
>

best wishes,
George Price
My blog: http://georgeprice.blogspot.com
My music: http://www.ourmedia.org/user/40460
Musician Meetup: http://musicians.meetup.com/266
My radio show, Tuesdays at 1PM

website: http://www.radiosandysprings.com/MusicScene/index.html
stream: http://nick8.surfernetwork.com/Media/SandySprings.asx

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# 286. Fwd: Special Olympics Recruiting

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2007-05-12 16:13:49 UTC
From: Lee Juckett
Topic: 286  Message: 286

Please reply to Steve Garrison and volunteer to help with
communications support at the upcoming Special Olympics. He describes
the days and times below.

I have worked this public service event many times and it is fun and
interesting.

See you all at the NFARES and NFARL meetings this coming Tuesday.

73,
- Lee, AF4IA

--- n4seg@... wrote:

> From: n4seg@...
> To: af4ia@...
> Subject: Special Olympics Recruiting
> Date: Fri, 11 May 2007 13:36:29 +0000
>
> I'm in need of people for Friday, Saturday, and Sunday, May 25, 26,
> and 27, 2007.
>
> On Friday from 11AM until around 10PM. Saturday from 6AM until as
> late as 10PM. And on Sunday from 6am until around Noon. Several
> people are needed for outdoor assignments and even more are required
> for indoor assignments. You can almost pick your own hours. Please
> contact me via N4SEG@....
>
> The venue is at the Emory University Campus in Decatur. Most
> assignments are in or around the Woodruff PE Center with the
exception
> of Soccer and Gymnastics.
>
>
> Steve G./N4SEG

# 287. North Fulton ARES Net, 5/13/2007, 7:30 pm

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2007-05-12 23:26:02 UTC
From: nfares@yahoogroups.com
Topic: 287  Message: 287

Reminder from: nfares Yahoo! Group
http://groups.yahoo.com/group/nfares/cal

North Fulton ARES Net
Sunday May 13, 2007
7:30 pm - 8:30 pm
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# 288. NCS schedule

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2007-05-17 13:42:54 UTC
From: tom burkhart
Topic: 288  Message: 288

Please let me know if any changes are needed.

Tom
KI4MDU

5/20/2007 AF4IA
5/27/2007 N4BTA
6/3/2007 K4ZH
6/10/2007 KI4HVN
6/17/2007 KI4MDU
6/24/2007 AF4IA
7/1/2007 N4BTA
7/8/2007 K4ZH
7/15/2007 KI4HVN
7/22/2007 KI4MDU
7/29/2007 AF4IA

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No virus found in this outgoing message.
Checked by AVG Free Edition.
Version: 7.5.467 / Virus Database: 269.7.1/807 - Release Date: 5/16/2007 6:05 PM

# 289. Re: [nfares] NCS schedule

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2007-05-17 19:27:11 UTC
From: Lee Juckett
Topic: 288  Message: 289

The net script is available on the nfares.org web site at:
http://nfares.org/Documents/NF%20ARES%20weekly_net_script.doc

- Lee, AF4IA

--- tom burkhart <tburkhar@...> wrote:

> Please let me know if any changes are needed.
>
> Tom
> KI4MDU
>
> 5/20/2007 AF4IA
> 5/27/2007 N4BTA
> 6/3/2007 K4ZH
> 6/10/2007 KI4HVN
> 6/17/2007 KI4MDU
> 6/24/2007 AF4IA
> 7/1/2007 N4BTA
> 7/8/2007 K4ZH
> 7/15/2007 KI4HVN
> 7/22/2007 KI4MDU
> 7/29/2007 AF4IA
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> No virus found in this outgoing message.
> Checked by AVG Free Edition.
> Version: 7.5.467 / Virus Database: 269.7.1/807 - Release Date:
> 5/16/2007 6:05 PM
>
>

# 290. North Fulton ARES Net, 5/20/2007, 7:30 pm

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2007-05-19 23:26:40 UTC
From: nfares@yahoogroups.com
Topic: 290  Message: 290

Reminder from: nfares Yahoo! Group
http://groups.yahoo.com/group/nfares/cal

North Fulton ARES Net
Sunday May 20, 2007
7:30 pm - 8:30 pm
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# 291. NFARES Emergency Services Net

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2007-05-21 00:09:32 UTC
From: Lee Juckett
Topic: 291  Message: 291

Date: May 20, 2007
Net Control: Lee, AF4IA
Check-ins: 12

Call Sign - Name - Location
========= ==== ========
1 W4UOC - Tom - Sandy Springs
2 KI4HVN - Andy - Powder Springs
3 KI4MDU - Tom - Paulding County
4 WB4CVB - Steve - Alpharetta
5 N4ZAZ - Randy - Alpharetta
6 N4BTA - Bret - Alpharetta
7 KI4TBD - Erwin - Cherokee County
8 W5TDY - Jerry - Forsythe County
9 KE4QCM - Tom - Stone Mountain
10 WB5VYH - Hilton - Lafayette County, MS (mobile)
11 N4YDX - Sammy - Paulding County
12 AF4IA - Lee - Sandy Springs

Tom, KE4QCM, announced that Steve Garrison, N4SEG, is recruiting volunteers for the Special Olympics next weekend. This public service event is on Friday May 26 through Sunday May 28 at Emory University. He especially needs operators on Saturday and Sunday. Please contact Steve at n4seg@... to volunteer.

Bret, N4BTA, said that he is arranging with an emergency services contact in Alpharetta to discuss NFARES.

Please encourage NFARES members to join the NFARES Yahoo Group. This is an easy and effective way to send and receive email messages about upcoming events and activities of NFARES. They may join by sending an email to nfares-subscribe@yahoogroups.com

The net was closed at 7:44 PM local time.

73 to all,
- Lee, AF4IA

# 292. Techs On Ten Meters - Tonight at 9:00 on 28.470

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2007-05-25 16:54:29 UTC
From: Lee Juckett
Topic: 292  Message: 292

With Jim Stafford out of town, I suggested that we operate the Techs on
Ten Meters net as an "emergency" net and relay what people hear to a
NCO. It seems that Jim has the best "ears," so when he's out, we have
difficulties running the net. Relaying and filling might be the norm
if we operated simplex during an emergency.

If you can call in tonight at 9:00 PM on 28.470, we can give it a try.

73,
- Lee, AF4IA

--- steve knittel <s_knit@...> wrote:

> Date: Fri, 25 May 2007 09:44:47 -0700 (PDT)
> From: steve knittel <s_knit@...>
> Subject: Re: Couple things plus one
> To: jim@..., Walt <kj4he@...>, Steve May
> <ks4kj@...>,
> Steve Knittel <kc4ybo@...>, Lee Juckett <af4ia@...>
>
> Tue is fine for Exec meeting.
>
> Lee, good idea on making it an emergency type test.
> I can hear pretty well down here. Ian's location last
> week was able to hear almost everyone. Maybe Bret will
> pop in with his beam. John, ?? 3 call here in Dunwoody
> I think also has a beam, sure sounded like it when he
> came last week.
> Maybe we could try psk again after net since I was in
> Roswell last week and Ian is not set up yet.
>
> Jim, sounds like that "antenna farm" would make a
> wonderful relay point for hurricanes or any other
> emergency work.. TAKE pictures and bring a layout of
> "the farm". This we have to see.
>
> Anyone know what happened to 5.47?? It went to sleep
> late yesterday afternoon and with the water tower
> still down leaves up without our normal communications
> for ARES , etc.
>
>
>
>
>
_____Choose

> the right car based on your needs. Check out Yahoo! Autos new Car
> Finder tool.
> http://autos.yahoo.com/carfinder/
>

# 293. North Fulton ARES Net, 5/27/2007, 7:30 pm

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2007-05-26 23:27:34 UTC
From: nfares@yahoogroups.com
Topic: 293  Message: 293

Reminder from: nfares Yahoo! Group
http://groups.yahoo.com/group/nfares/cal

North Fulton ARES Net
Sunday May 27, 2007
7:30 pm - 8:30 pm
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# 294. Fwd: [nfares] North Fulton ARES Net, 5/27/2007, 7:30 pm

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2007-05-27 01:19:45 UTC
From: Lee Juckett
Topic: 294  Message: 294

The NFARL repeater on 145.470 MHz is apparently down.

Our website at http://nfares.org/net_schedules.aspx shows that the
W4PME repeater is our backup. It is 145.410 with negative offset and
no tone. Jim Stafford is the trustee of the MATPARC repeater and has
OK'd it for this use.

If the NFARL repeater is still not functioning tomorrow night, I
recommend moving to this alternate net repeater.

73,
- Lee, AF4IA

--- nfares@yahoogroups.com wrote:

> From: nfares@yahoogroups.com
> To: nfares@yahoogroups.com
> Date: 26 May 2007 23:27:34 -0000
> Subject: [nfares] North Fulton ARES Net, 5/27/2007, 7:30 pm
>
> Reminder from: nfares Yahoo! Group
> http://groups.yahoo.com/group/nfares/cal
>
> North Fulton ARES Net
> Sunday May 27, 2007
> 7:30 pm - 8:30 pm
> (This event repeats every week.)
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>
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>

# 295. Hurricane Frequencies

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2007-05-27 23:53:33 UTC
From: tom burkhart
Topic: 295  Message: 295

As mentioned on the weekly North Fulton ARES net.

A list of emergency frequencies is available at
http://www.gaares.org/documents/Emergency%20Operations%20Freqs.pdf

The Hurricane Watch Net runs on 14.325. They have a web page with
additional information at http://www.hwn.org/ This site has a lot of
useful information. Please read the FAQ and Net Procedures information
before checking into the net.

Tom
KI4MDU

--
No virus found in this outgoing message.
Checked by AVG Free Edition.
Version: 7.5.472 / Virus Database: 269.8.0/819 - Release Date: 5/26/2007 10:47 AM

# 296. Repeater challenges

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2007-05-28 02:04:51 UTC
From: Jim Stafford
Topic: 296  Message: 296

Gang,

We are experiencing times during the day when the 145.47 repeater is not functioning. Thanks to KS4KJ who has determined that it is something in the receive path. It will transmit ok. It appears to be related to temperature and in the mornings it is usable.

For some time now, we have had as an alternate the MATPARC 145.41 (-.600) machine. As trustee of that repeater, I can assure you that it gets very little use and they (I) will be happy to have you use it. There is a remote for .41 on Sweat Mtn and it has about the same receiver coverage as our .47 machine. You may hear it a bit noisier as the signal back has to travel from downtown Atlanta. So please use it for regular chats and for emergencies of course.

Also, MATPARC has a 440 machine on 443.150 (+5.0) which will soon move to Sweat Mtn as well when they get their 444.150 back on the air. Since we currently do not have a 440 repeater for our club (operational), go ahead and program it into your transceiver and use it. It's up and working, just not on Sweat for a few weeks. Give it a try. Neither machine requires a tone input.

Jim/w4qo
NFARL ringleader

# 297. North Fulton ARES Net, 6/3/2007, 7:30 pm

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2007-06-02 23:26:00 UTC
From: nfares@yahoogroups.com
Topic: 297  Message: 297

Reminder from: nfares Yahoo! Group
http://groups.yahoo.com/group/nfares/cal

North Fulton ARES Net
Sunday June 3, 2007
7:30 pm - 8:30 pm
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# 298. Peachtree Road Race 2007

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2007-06-05 02:56:15 UTC
From: David Ziskind
Topic: 298  Message: 298

Can you help out with the Peachtree Road Race this year? We need 12 more ham radio volunteers in order for this event to operate safely and smoothly.

73,
David KE4QLH

Hi all,

Peachtree time is quickly approaching! I am looking forward to your support again this year. I am trying to increase the number of hams to a total of 25 for better communications support.

The details:
- Wednesday, July 4, 2007
- Most report times are around 6am. Most assignments are through by 10am. Some are shorter, some are longer.

How to volunteer:
1. Send me an email letting me know your availability, AND
2. Fill out the volunteer form and return to the Atlanta Track Club. Write in 'communications' towards the bottom.
<http://www.atlantatrackclub.org/07ptree-vol.pdf>

Thanks in advance for your support. Please forward to others who might be interested. I would like to have 25 operators this year!

73,
David Ziskind KE4QLH
ke4qlh@...
404-966-6864

# 299. Ham Volunteer Opportunity at Chattahoochee Nature Center on 6/16/07

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2007-06-09 11:18:00 UTC
From: Lee Juckett
Topic: 299  Message: 299

A great ham public service opportunity is coming up next Saturday (6/16)when the Chattahoochee Nature Center in Roswell hosts their annual "Possum Trot 10K Road Race and Fun Run."

It is a Peachtree Road Race qualifier as well as a fund raiser for the CNC. Go to this link for more information about the race: http://www.chattnaturecenter.com/sections.php?Section=3&Page=possumtrot.htm&Title=Possum%20Trot

I have volunteered for many CNC events with the IBM Radio Club, and they need several more ham operators to provide support. Hams are stationed at each mile marker to communicate any issues, injuries, etc. We have seen heat exhaustion, dog bites, sprains, etc. over the years that we were able to help communicate and resolve by being on the course. Also we are each given a stopwatch to call out race times to the runners, which the serious runners really appreciate.

The first race starts at 7:00 AM, so we need to be in the upper parking lot by 6:00 AM because they close the roads for the race early and we need to get our assignments!

The CNC is clearly in the "back yard" of the North Fulton Amateur Radio League and North Fulton ARES, and the W4IBM club would appreciate our help.

If you have any questions or want to volunteer, please contact me or Charles Turner at cbrenrut@...

- Lee Juckett, AF4IA
af4ia@...

# 300. North Fulton ARES Net, 6/10/2007, 7:30 pm

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2007-06-09 23:25:59 UTC
From: nfares@yahoogroups.com
Topic: 300  Message: 300

Reminder from: nfares Yahoo! Group
http://groups.yahoo.com/group/nfares/cal

North Fulton ARES Net
Sunday June 10, 2007
7:30 pm - 8:30 pm
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# 301. net roster

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2007-06-11 00:43:11 UTC
From: andy peltier
Topic: 301  Message: 301

Net Roster for 6/10/07

1.KI4MDU Tom
2.K4ZF Sean
3. KI4CTG Mike
4.W4QO Jim
5.WB4CVB Steve
6.KD4FKY Dave
7.KD4FKX Dixie
8.KI4HVN Andy NCS
9.N4BTA Bret

net ended at 7:46
73 KI4HVN Andy

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Luggage? GPS? Comic books?
Check out fitting gifts for grads at Yahoo! Search
http://search.yahoo.com/search?fr=oni_on_mail&p=graduation+gifts&cs=bz

# 302. Fwd: Ham Volunteer Opportunity at Chattahoochee Nature Center on 6/16/07

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2007-06-16 01:35:53 UTC
From: Lee Juckett
Topic: 302  Message: 302

There were several questions about the Possum Trot Road Race on
tonight's Techs on Ten net. So, here is my earlier message on the
subject.

We can always use more operators, so if you're available please come
and help out. Don't worry, we will wake you up after you arrive if
necessary!

- Lee

--- Lee Juckett <af4ia@...> wrote:

> Date: Sat, 9 Jun 2007 04:18:00 -0700 (PDT)
> From: Lee Juckett <af4ia@...>
> Subject: Ham Volunteer Opportunity at Chattahoochee Nature Center on
> 6/16/07
> To: NFARL <nfarl@yahoogroups.com>, NFARES <nfares@yahoogroups.com>,
> Charles Turner <cbrenrut@...>
>
> A great ham public service opportunity is coming up next Saturday
> (6/16)when the Chattahoochee Nature Center in Roswell hosts their
> annual "Possum Trot 10K Road Race and Fun Run."
>
> It is a Peachtree Road Race qualifier as well as a fund raiser for
> the
> CNC. Go to this link for more information about the race:
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http://www.chattnaturecenter.com/sections.php?Section=3&Page=possumtrot.htm&Title=Possum%2
0Trot
>
> I have volunteered for many CNC events with the IBM Radio Club, and
> they need several more ham operators to provide support. Hams are
> stationed at each mile marker to communicate any issues, injuries,
> etc.
> We have seen heat exhaustion, dog bites, sprains, etc. over the
> years
> that we were able to help communicate and resolve by being on the
> course. Also we are each given a stopwatch to call out race times to
> the runners, which the serious runners really appreciate.
>
> The first race starts at 7:00 AM, so we need to be in the upper
> parking
> lot by 6:00 AM because they close the roads for the race early and we
> need to get our assignments!
>

> The CNC is clearly in the "back yard" of the North Fulton Amateur
> Radio
> League and North Fulton ARES, and the W4IBM club would appreciate our
> help.
>
> If you have any questions or want to volunteer, please contact me or
> Charles Turner at cbrenrut@...
>
> - Lee Juckett, AF4IA
> af4ia@...
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# 303. Re: Fwd: Ham Volunteer Opportunity at Chattahoochee Nature Center on 6/16/07

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2007-06-16 02:00:44 UTC
From: Lee Juckett
Topic: 302  Message: 303

I should have mentioned that we will operate simplex at the CNC, but on your way there, you can call on the W4IBM repeater at 145.290- PL=88.5

- Lee

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> > - Lee Juckett, AF4IA
> > af4ia@...
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# 304. North Fulton ARES Net, 6/17/2007, 7:30 pm

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2007-06-16 23:26:04 UTC
From: nfares@yahoogroups.com
Topic: 304  Message: 304

Reminder from: nfares Yahoo! Group
http://groups.yahoo.com/group/nfares/cal

North Fulton ARES Net
Sunday June 17, 2007
7:30 pm - 8:30 pm
(This event repeats every week.)
Location: 145.470 MHz (or 145.41 MHz backup) repeater

Notes:
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# 305. NFARES NET REPORT 6/22/2007

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2007-06-17 23:47:04 UTC
From: tom burkhart
Topic: 305  Message: 305

We had a total of 6 checkins

KI4MDU/NCS
AF4IA
KI4HVN
W4QO
K4ZF
N4BTA

The net close at 7:42

Tom
KI4MDU

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No virus found in this outgoing message.
Checked by AVG Free Edition.
Version: 7.5.472 / Virus Database: 269.9.0/851 - Release Date: 6/16/2007 12:50 PM

# 306. Public Service Event - Chattahoochee Nature Center's "Possum Trot Road Race"

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2007-06-18 00:57:15 UTC
From: Lee Juckett
Topic: 306  Message: 306

Tom, please include this in your North Fulton ARES report for volunteer/training hours.

On Saturday June 16, seven hams provided communication support for the Chattahoochee Nature Center's "Possum Trot Road Race" in Roswell, GA. We were on station at about 6:00 AM and finished by about 10:00 AM for 4 hours of work. Three were members of North Fulton ARES, but I've listed all those who supported the event:

K0CZR, Charles
K4ZF, Sean (North Fulton ARES)
KI4RDO, Marco
N4BTA, Bret (North Fulton ARES)
KI4QLF, Jason
KC4YBO, Steve (North Fulton ARL)
AF4IA, Lee (North Fulton ARES)

See you on Tuesday night for the NFARES monthly meeting.

73,
- Lee, AF4IA

# 307. North Fulton ARES Net, 6/24/2007, 7:30 pm

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2007-06-23 23:25:20 UTC
From: nfares@yahoogroups.com
Topic: 307  Message: 307

Reminder from: nfares Yahoo! Group
http://groups.yahoo.com/group/nfares/cal

North Fulton ARES Net
Sunday June 24, 2007
7:30 pm - 8:30 pm
(This event repeats every week.)
Location: 145.470 MHz (or 145.41 MHz backup) repeater

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# 308. North Fulton County ARES Net Report for 6/24/2007

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2007-06-25 00:07:16 UTC
From: Lee Juckett
Topic: 308  Message: 308

We had 8 check-in's for tonight's North Fulton County ARES net, as follows:

1. af4fo Susan in Norcross (Georgia Section Manager)
2. k4hbi Mike in Norcross (Official Observer Coordinator)
3. ki4mdu Tom in Paulding County
4. wb4cbv Steve in Alpharetta
5. ki4woo Matt in Roswell (new ham, first net check-in!)
6. k4zf Sean in Sandy Springs
7. k4rnm Roger in Alpharetta
8. af4ia Lee in Sandy Springs

The repeater began to act up near the end of the net, but we successfully completed activities at 7:44 PM local time.

As a reminder, our backup repeater is w4pme (MATPARC) at 145.410 MHz with a negative offset and no PL tone. We could have moved the net to this repeater tonight when trouble began. If we cannot hold operations on the n4cla repeater, please check our backup repeater. Finally, please make sure to enter this alternate repeater in your radio to allow us to change frequency if necessary.

Thanks to all who checked in tonight, and 73 to all.

- Lee, af4ia

# 309. North Fulton ARES Net, 7/1/2007, 7:30 pm

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2007-06-30 23:26:05 UTC
From: nfares@yahoogroups.com
Topic: 309  Message: 309

Reminder from: nfares Yahoo! Group
http://groups.yahoo.com/group/nfares/cal

North Fulton ARES Net
Sunday July 1, 2007
7:30 pm - 8:30 pm
(This event repeats every week.)
Location: 145.470 MHz (or 145.41 MHz backup) repeater

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# 310. NF ARES Net Report 7/1/07

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2007-07-02 01:26:42 UTC
From: Bret Arnold
Topic: 310  Message: 310

NF ARES Net 7/1/07 19:30-19:39 Local 145.470-
7 Checkins NCS: N4BTA
NF ARES
W4QO Jim Roswell
K4ZF Sean Sandy Springs
KI4MDU Tom Paulding Co
WB4CVB Steve Alpharetta
KI4CTG Mike Alpharetta
N4BTA Bret Alpharetta
ARES
General
W1ZRV Will Gwinett Co

# 311. New poll for nfares

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2007-07-02 13:23:02 UTC
From: nfares@yahoogroups.com
Topic: 311  Message: 311

Enter your vote today! A new poll has been created for the
nfares group:

Would Monday night at 7:30PM work for you as the ARES net for North Fulton?

We are trying to coordinate a day when the NF ARES net could precede a general North Fulton ARL net at 8PM. Exploring possibilities.

o YES
o NO
o OK, but not my first choice - time no good
o OK, but not my first choice - day of week no good

To vote, please visit the following web page:
http://groups.yahoo.com/group/nfares/surveys?id=12602687

Note: Please do not reply to this message. Poll votes are
not collected via email. To vote, you must go to the Yahoo! Groups
web site listed above.

Thanks!

# 312. Seeking input on new net time/date

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2007-07-02 13:34:56 UTC
From: Jim Stafford W4QO
Topic: 312  Message: 312

I just posted a poll on this site asking if a move to Monday night would work for the NFARES net. As president of the NFARL, I am looking at trying to get a general purpose club net going again and Monday at 8PM is a consideration. My thought is that if the ARES net met right before the GP net, it might boost participation in both.

THIS IS NOT A PROPOSAL to move the ARES net but just to get some ideas kicking around. Please post your answer to the poll and also put your comments here. Maybe 8:30 PM would be better before a 9PM GP net. I know Mack WB4MAK is putting together a list of nets in the area and Monday at 7:30/8:00 may not be the best time for a net here.

Let us know your thoughts.

Jim/w4qo

# 313. North Fulton ARES Net, 7/8/2007, 7:30 pm

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2007-07-07 23:26:24 UTC
From: nfares@yahoogroups.com
Topic: 313  Message: 313

Reminder from: nfares Yahoo! Group
http://groups.yahoo.com/group/nfares/cal

North Fulton ARES Net
Sunday July 8, 2007
7:30 pm - 8:30 pm
(This event repeats every week.)
Location: 145.470 MHz (or 145.41 MHz backup) repeater

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# 314. NET REPORT 7/8/2007

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2007-07-09 00:48:31 UTC
From: tom burkhart
Topic: 314  Message: 314

We had a total of 9 check-ins

KI4MDU/NCS
W4UOC
N2HGL
AG4PR
AF4IA
N4BTA
W4QO
WB4CVB
W1ZRV

The net closed at 7:55

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No virus found in this outgoing message.
Checked by AVG Free Edition.
Version: 7.5.476 / Virus Database: 269.10.2/890 - Release Date: 7/7/2007 3:26 PM

# 315. eNEWS 07-2007

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2007-07-14 02:02:57 UTC
From: Fred Moore
Topic: 315  Message: 315
Attachments: 1 described; binary payloads are missing from this source WARC

Your eNEWS is now in PDF format. You will need to download the adobe acrobat reader if you do not already have it. It is located at http://www.acrobat-center.com/order/signup1b.php?eid=0001 <http://www.acrobat-center.com/order/signup1b.php?eid=0001&sid=Acrobat> &sid=Acrobat

Thank you and we will see you Tuesday night NLT 1930 hrs

# 316. North Fulton ARES Net, 7/15/2007, 7:30 pm

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2007-07-14 23:25:58 UTC
From: nfares@yahoogroups.com
Topic: 316  Message: 316

Reminder from: nfares Yahoo! Group
http://groups.yahoo.com/group/nfares/cal

North Fulton ARES Net
Sunday July 15, 2007
7:30 pm - 8:30 pm
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# 317. NFARES Net Log for 7/15/2007

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2007-07-16 00:39:49 UTC
From: Lee Juckett
Topic: 317  Message: 317

We had 12 check-in's for the weekly North Fulton Amateur Radio Emergency Eervices (NFARES) net on Sunday July 15, 2007 as follows:

Call Name QTH
1. af4fo Susan Norcross
(Georgia Section Manager and
Gwinnett ARES member)
2. k4hbi Mike Norcross
(Official Observer Coordinator
and EEC for Army MARS)
3. w4uoc Tom Sandy Springs
(Emergency Coordinator for NFARES)
4. ki4mdu Tom Paulding County
5. wb4cvb Steve Alpharetta
6. n4ydx Sammy Dallas
7. n4zaz Randy Alpharetta
8. ke4vrx Jimmy Roswell
9. n4bta Bret Alpharetta
10. w4iei Noah Cobb County
11. n4cla Fred Roswell
12. af4ia Lee Sandy Springs

Announcements:
Tom w4uoc reminded us all of the upcoming North Fulton ARES meeting on Tuesday July 17 at 6:30 PM. This meeting is held at Alpharetta Fire House #1 at 2970 Webb Bridge Rd. You will find a map to this location at:
http://maps.yahoo.com/index.php#q1=2970+Webb+Bridge+Rd.%2C+30004%2C+us
The regular monthly meeting of the North Fulton Amateur Radio League (NFARL) follows NFARES at 7:30 PM at the same location.

Discussion:
Bret has applied for a permit to erect an amateur radio antenna tower, and the City of Alpharetta is learning from him about the FCC's PRB-1 ruling. You will learn more about PRB-1 at:
http://www.arrl.org/FandES/field/regulations/PRB-1_Pkg/

Tom w4uoc thanked Fred n4cla for his work repairing the 145.470- repeater which is our primary net repeater (remember that our back-up is the MATPARC repeater at 145.410-). Fred told us that the pre-amp had failed and the repeater is now operating without a pre-amp. However, this has apparently cured the repeater's "hearing" problems.

The net closed at 7:48 PM local time.

Post-net announcement: Congratulations to Randy n4aza on his upgrade to General Class!

73 to all,
- Lee, AF4IA

# 318. (no subject)

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2007-07-16 14:35:10 UTC
From: Fred Moore
Topic: 318  Message: 318

Correction correction correction to the SAD NEWS

Sad news - I received notice today, 07/13/2007, that Hal Myers K4JHM's wife, Mary went to be with the Lord in the last 24 hours. There will be a viewing at the Roswell Funeral Home, 590 Mimosa Blvd, Roswell - (770) 993-4811 on Monday from 6PM to 8PM and her service will be held at the Roswell United Methodist Church @ 2PM Tuesday in the Chapel located at 814 Mimosa Boulevard - Roswell, GA 30075, Phone: 770.993.6218
590 Mimosa Blvd, Roswell is the wrong address. It was actually copied from the internet and they have the wrong address there. It is actually 950 Mansell Rd, Roswell GA . I got the wrong address from their old site on the internet.

I believe everything else is still correct.

I am sorry for any confusion this may have caused.

Fred Moore
N4CLA

# 319. Failed Airmail Experiment

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2007-07-18 21:01:37 UTC
From: Bret Arnold
Topic: 319  Message: 319

You would think Kenwood could build a dual band mobile radio that is robust enough to operate from a 9.47 volt power source! Hi! Hi!

For those of you who witnessed my failed attempt to send VHF Packet Airmail through a cross band repeater last night, the problem was a starved battery. Two lessons learned from the experiment: It is most likely to fail when under the spotlight, and even a large Optima Deep Cycle Battery needs to be charged every other week.
Thanks,
Bret / N4BTA

# 320. North Fulton ARES Net, 7/22/2007, 8:30 pm

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2007-07-22 00:25:30 UTC
From: nfares@yahoogroups.com
Topic: 320  Message: 320

Reminder from: nfares Yahoo! Group
http://groups.yahoo.com/group/nfares/cal

North Fulton ARES Net
Sunday July 22, 2007
8:30 pm - 9:30 pm
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# 321. 7-22-07 ARES NET

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2007-07-23 01:06:20 UTC
From: Andrew J. Peltier Jr. KI4HVN
Topic: 321  Message: 321

AF4FO Susan
K4HBI Mike
W4UOC Tom
AF4IA Lee
KI4MDU Tom
N4YDX Sammy
KE4UMT Dave
AG4PR Danny
W4QO Jim
N4BTA Bret
KE4VRX Jimmy
KI4CTG Mike
NCS KI4HVN Andy

# 322. North Fulton ARES Net, 7/29/2007, 8:30 pm

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2007-07-29 00:28:55 UTC
From: nfares@yahoogroups.com
Topic: 322  Message: 322

Reminder from: nfares Yahoo! Group
http://groups.yahoo.com/group/nfares/cal

North Fulton ARES Net
Sunday July 29, 2007
8:30 pm - 9:30 pm
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# 323. NFARES Weekly Net Report for July 29, 2007

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2007-07-30 01:17:46 UTC
From: Lee Juckett
Topic: 323  Message: 323

We had 12 check-in's for the weekly North Fulton Amateur Radio Emergency Services (NFARES) net on Sunday July 29, 2007 as follows:

Call Name QTH
1. w4uoc Tom Sandy Springs
(EC for NFARES)
2. w4qo Jim Roswell
3. ki4hvn Andy Powder Springs
4. ke4umt Dave Atlanta
5. ke4vrx Jimmy Roswell
6. n4bta Brett Alpharetta
7. kg4ybv Chris Holly Springs-portable
8. ki4mdu Tom Paulding County
(By relay from ki4hvn)
9. kd4fky Dave Marietta
10. kd4fkx Dixie Marietta
11. wk4u Tim Mobile in Atlanta
12. af4ia Lee Sandy Springs-NCS

Announcements:
Tom w4uoc told us that the next NFARES meeting on August 21 will cover telnet and winlink. Tom ki4mdu and Bret n4bta will have programs available for members to load and set up on their laptops or on a writable CD. Secondly, he noted another ARES group that is holding PSK-31 nets on 2 meter sideband. Finally, he asked whether anyone was familiar with the QPSK mode, which apparently has some error correction capability and is recommended for emergency use.

Bret n4bta will be the NCS for the next net on August 5 at 8:30 PM.

The net closed at 7:42 PM local time.

73 to all,
Lee, AF4IA

# 324. ncs schedule for August & September

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2007-07-30 01:56:47 UTC
From: tom burkhart
Topic: 324  Message: 324

Please let me know if any changes are needed.

Tom
KI4MDU

8/5/2007 N4BTA
8/12/2007 K4ZF
8/19/2007 KI4HVN
8/26/2007 KI4MDU
9/2/2007 AF4IA
9/9/2007 N4BTA
9/16/2007 K4ZF
9/23/2007 KI4HVN
9/30/2007 KI4MDU

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No virus found in this outgoing message.
Checked by AVG Free Edition.
Version: 7.5.476 / Virus Database: 269.10.23/924 - Release Date: 7/28/2007 3:50 PM

# 325. Here is a link to my aunt

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2007-07-30 01:19:46 UTC
From: David
Topic: 325  Message: 325
Attachments: 1 described; binary payloads are missing from this source WARC

My aunt Ruth married to my mothers brother

Some have asked my dad died Thursday morning in his sleep he was 84 other than by marriage my aunt and my dad where no relation they just shared the same birth month and year. It un believable that lightning can strike so quickly the same family this way I am still numb and don't know what I am doing but trying to make it one moment at a time. I believe that my aunt will be buried on Wednesday this coming week in Ohio my dad will be on Thursday in Kennesaw I just can't believe they are both gone so quickly.

Thank you all for your good wished you don't know how much it means to me And please say a prayer for my cousins.

The message is ready to be sent with the following file or link attachments:

Shortcut to:
http://www.newarkadvocate.com/apps/pbcs.dll/article?AID=/20070729/UPDATES01/307290009

Note: To protect against computer viruses, e-mail programs may prevent sending or receiving certain types of file attachments. Check your e-mail security settings to determine how attachments are handled.

# 326. North Fulton ARES Net, 8/5/2007, 8:30 pm

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2007-08-05 00:25:22 UTC
From: nfares@yahoogroups.com
Topic: 326  Message: 326

Reminder from: nfares Yahoo! Group
http://groups.yahoo.com/group/nfares/cal

North Fulton ARES Net
Sunday August 5, 2007
8:30 pm - 9:30 pm
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# 327. NF ARES net report 8/5/07

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2007-08-06 01:05:42 UTC
From: Bret Arnold
Topic: 327  Message: 327

North Fulton ARES net report for August 5, 2007.
11 total checkins. 20:30 to 20:49 local. NCS:n4bta.

ARES/ARRL Officers
AF4FO Susan
K4HBI Mike

NF ARES
W4UOC Tom EC
AF4IA Lee
KI4MDU Tom AEC
KI4HVN Andy
W4QO Jim
N4YDX Sammy
N4BTA Bret

General
KE4VRX Jimmy
N5CLJ Clay

# 328. Dual QSL Card

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2007-08-08 00:50:28 UTC
From: Lee Juckett
Topic: 328  Message: 328
Attachments: 1 described; binary payloads are missing from this source WARC

I contacted Cliff K5FBS during a Techs On Ten net and we shared our 10-10 and New South Award numbers. Then I sent him a QSL card, and he was kind enough to send one back to me:

For those of you who are lucky enough to have spouses who are hams and are also cheap, Cliff's OM/XYL card is for you!

73,
- Lee, AF4IA

# 329. Now, for the rest of the story

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2007-08-08 01:07:20 UTC
From: Fred Moore
Topic: 329  Message: 329

The status of 145.47 repeater.

Most of you can remember that while I was in Africa, the repeater developed some hearing problems. Well there was an attempt to remedy that problem by Steve KS4KJ and Jim W4QO with not much success, but my thanks go to them for trying.

When I came back from Africa, Jim, W4QO and I went to the site and looked at the receiver and found that the pre-amplifier in the receiver front end had basically quit operating as a pre-amp and had become a 20db pad which basically made the receiver stone deaf for all practical purposes. I removed the pre-amp and retuned the receiver and the system started working as expected.

About a week went by and I started hearing mumblings that the signal from the repeater didn't seem to be what it usually was, and then there were some more comments that the output frequency seemed to be drifting. I went up again and found the transmit frequency indeed to be off, so I adjusted it and left. Again, a day later I measured the frequency from home and again found it to be high, and again I went up and readjusted the output frequency. The next day I again measured the frequency and again it was high. So, there is basically only one part of the repeater that can contribute to that problem and that is the regulated 10v power supply, so rather than doing component repair up there, as hot as it was and currently still is, I replaced the entire board, that had the 10 v regulator on it and that seemed to have fixed the frequency drifting problem. Well the output power problem was still bei8ng discussed, so once again I decided to go up to the site and look at the transmitter again. Well I put the amplifier on the spectrum analyzer and much to my surprise, it was radiating about 5 watts without any excitation from the exciter. This is NOT good. You are supposed to have a signal present (excitation) before the amplifier is to provide any power out. So I pulled the amp out and plugged the exciter (200mw) directly to the antenna as a temporary fix while I can fix the amplifier.

So I get the amplifier home, open the covers and find that the amplifier had a visit by Mr. Lightning and that there were all kinds of components that had carbon remains just laying around. This is actually the first time that I have ever had this kind of lightning damage to one of the repeaters since I have been managing the repeaters. I have had static discharges that have taken out chips and small components that had no signs of any visible damage, but nothing like this.

As a precursor to this, the amp that was up there was a Motorola 110w continuous duty, no fans needed heat sync and has been the rock up there for at least the last 10 years with no trouble running a cool 50 watts.

So if y'all will just be patient with me and this 100 + degree heat up there, I will get the amp repaired and back on the air as soon as feasibly possible. And BTW, 200mw of transmit power doesn't do all that bad.

So in summary, the receiver had lightning damage, the 10 volt regulator either had lightning damage or just general failure, and the amplifier definitely had lightning damage. What makes this an even more of an interesting problem is that the antenna system we currently have has better grounding than it ever had, the building has better grounding than it ever had, with gas transitioning protection on each of the coax lines, and what is even more amazing is that there is this thing called a duplexor, that sits in the direct path between the antenna and the radio that has by design direct DC grounding of the center conductor to ground. Oh, and I forgot to add that the 110VAC line also has protection on it as well. So with all that protection, mother nature still got her way.

I know a few of you probably can't even hear the repeater right now, but yes it is actually running. I'm wondering if there isn't some kind of award or some kind of record that we can set or break if we can get somebody to go to some mountain top and actually bring up the repeater and actually hear it and carry on some kind of low power QSO say 100 miles or so away from Sweat Mtn. Just a thought.

Thanks for your support.

Fred
N4cla@...

# 330. National Preparedness Month - September

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2007-08-10 13:19:25 UTC
From: Jim Stafford W4QO
Topic: 330  Message: 330

Saw an item on the ARRL website:

http://www.arrl.org/?artid=7640

and when I went to the http://www.ready.gov site, I found lots of materials on preparedness. I was thinking that one of us might want to pursue getting/printing out some of this material for our next ARES meeting with an eye toward doing an ARES/S.E.T. piece at the September meeting. In other words, review the material at the August ARES meeting and figure out what would make a good handout for the NFARL September meeting. I don't have the time right now to do it. If we pick an item early enough, we can call an 800 number and I suspect get enough copies for handouts - FREE! Tom has discussed a "tornado scenario" for our S.E.T. so some stuff relating to that would be good IMHO. My goal is to find a way to get at least a few new folks from the "main" club to participate in the S.E.T. this year.

Jim/w4qo
NF ARES

# 331. North Fulton ARES Net, 8/12/2007, 8:30 pm

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2007-08-12 00:25:41 UTC
From: nfares@yahoogroups.com
Topic: 331  Message: 331

Reminder from: nfares Yahoo! Group
http://groups.yahoo.com/group/nfares/cal

North Fulton ARES Net
Sunday August 12, 2007
8:30 pm - 9:30 pm
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# 332. Dish TV / Direct TV LNA's

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2007-08-13 03:44:15 UTC
From: Fred Moore
Topic: 332  Message: 332

First off I want to thank all of you that helped to point me to the places that I might find the brass rods I was looking for in my last request that went to the NFARL Yahoo group. As it turned out, Ace Hardware actually stocks this stuff and I might add, had it very reasonably priced.

This request is now going to my NFARL distribution list and NOT any of the YAHOO distribution. The Yahoo distribution only covers some of the NFARL distribution

So, since you guys/gals were so helpful on my last request, let me propose hopefully my last request for parts. I think most of you know by now what these Dish TV or Direct TV dishes look like, they are the typical dishes that are now being used for your home TV entertainment instead of using the local cable tv options. I had someone donate two of these dishes to my project, without the LNA's. Well, at first, I didn't think that would be a problem but as I am getting further into this project, it appears that the LNA's are actually becoming an integral part of the project even though they are never going to be used for their intended design. They are actually going to only be used to help place another antenna into the focal point of the dish, regardless of the intended frequency design of the LNA. So, what I am asking for, is a donation of at least one possibly two of these LNA's or even the dish in its entire configuration with the LNA. These LNA's only need to have the SINGLE feed horn. There are some that have double horns, but those are actually less desirable to have for this project. Although, nothing will be turned down. Dual or single.

Thanks and much appreciation

Fred N4CLA

# 333. NFARL eNEWS 2007-08

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2007-08-18 03:15:32 UTC
From: Fred Moore
Topic: 333  Message: 333
Attachments: 1 described; binary payloads are missing from this source WARC

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Please make your plans to attend this coming Tuesday night, August 21st @ 7:30 PM at the Fire House in Alpharetta at 2970 Webb Bridge Rd. Webb Bridge Road is an extension of Academy Street. Academy Street dead ends into Hwy 9 in Alpharetta. Basically you would turn onto Academy Street going east and about 8 - 10 blocks or so, Academy Street turns into Webb Bridge Rd. <http://tinyurl.com/yhd25e> http://tinyurl.com/yhd25e this link provides you with a map. If you go under GA400, you have gone toooooo far. Turn around, and the Fire House will be on your right.

See you Tuesday night.

# 334. North Fulton ARES Net, 8/19/2007, 8:30 pm

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2007-08-19 00:27:24 UTC
From: nfares@yahoogroups.com
Topic: 334  Message: 334

Reminder from: nfares Yahoo! Group
http://groups.yahoo.com/group/nfares/cal

North Fulton ARES Net
Sunday August 19, 2007
8:30 pm - 9:30 pm
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# 335. net roster

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2007-08-20 00:49:36 UTC
From: Andrew J. Peltier Jr. KI4HVN
Topic: 301  Message: 335

NCS Ki4hvn Andy
relay Ki4mdu Tom
Af4ia Lee
W4qo Jim
Kc4vrx Jim
N4bta Bret
Ke4umt Dave

Thanks all for being there.
73 KI4HVN Andy J. Peltier

# 336. Alternate Repeater - 145.41

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2007-08-21 17:07:10 UTC
From: Jim Stafford
Topic: 336  Message: 336

As most of you know I am the trustee of the 145.41 repeater and that it is the primary backup for the NF ARES in case 145.47 is down or overloaded.

We have had a problem with two time out timers (one in the transmitter and one in the controller) fighting each other. Sounds odd but we had difficulty getting the one in the transmitter turned off as it required some odd software (Motorola). We believe we have that problem fixed and solicit your help in confirming this.

If you move off to or simply use 145.41, could you give it some long transmissions and see if you get a time out that has no message associated with it - i.e. the repeater just seems to quit and there is not announcement. The normal timer is 3 minutes and there is an announcement with it when the mic is released.

Thanks.

jim/w4qo

# 337. North Fulton ARES Net, 8/26/2007, 8:30 pm

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2007-08-26 00:25:55 UTC
From: nfares@yahoogroups.com
Topic: 337  Message: 337

Reminder from: nfares Yahoo! Group
http://groups.yahoo.com/group/nfares/cal

North Fulton ARES Net
Sunday August 26, 2007
8:30 pm - 9:30 pm
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# 338. NET REPORT FOR 26 AUGUST 2007

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2007-08-27 00:51:48 UTC
From: tom burkhart
Topic: 338  Message: 338

We had a total of 8 check ins:

KI4MDU - NCS
AF4FO
K4HBI
KI4HVN
AF4IA
N4BTA
KI4YJL
KI4UTZ

The net closed at 8:38

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No virus found in this outgoing message.
Checked by AVG Free Edition.
Version: 7.5.484 / Virus Database: 269.12.8/973 - Release Date: 8/25/2007 5:00 PM

# 339. North Fulton ARES Net, 9/2/2007, 8:30 pm

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2007-09-02 00:26:29 UTC
From: nfares@yahoogroups.com
Topic: 339  Message: 339

Reminder from: nfares Yahoo! Group
http://groups.yahoo.com/group/nfares/cal

North Fulton ARES Net
Sunday September 2, 2007
8:30 pm - 9:30 pm
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# 340. North Fulton ARES Net, September 2, 2007

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2007-09-03 01:01:54 UTC
From: Lee Juckett
Topic: 340  Message: 340

We had 9 check-in's for tonight's NFARES net:

1. W4UOC - Tom, Dunwoody
2. KI4MDU - Tom, Paulding County
3. N4BTA - Brett, Alpharetta
4. KI4YJL - David, Roswell
5. WB4MAK - Mack, Roswell
6. KI4YJK - Richard, Roswell
7. KI4HVN - Andy, Powder Springs
8. N8DWH - Donald, Alpharetta
9. AF4IA - Lee, Sandy Springs (NCO)

Brett, N4BTA, gave a synopsis of the discussion at the last meeting, which included the ARRL emergency communication courses, planning for the Simulated Emergency Test (SET), and PowerPole connectors.

Tom, W4UOC, said he is planning to with Sandy Springs and Johns Creek officials this week regarding the SET, and hopes to also meet with Roswell this week. It may not be possible to include Milton in this year's SET. The Emory-Johns Creek hospital has a VHF antenna and cable already set up for emergency use. The SET needs to be scheduled in the late afternoon / evening or on a weekend to keep from conflicting with busy times at the hospital.

David, KI4YJL, visited the Shelby hamfest this weekend and passed his General Class exam. Congratulations KI4YJL/AG!

Please plan to check into next week's NFARES net at 8:30 PM on Sunday September 9.

The net closed at 8:43 PM local time.

73 to all,
- Lee, AF4IA

# 341. NFARL eNEWS 2007-09

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2007-09-07 22:51:01 UTC
From: Fred Moore
Topic: 341  Message: 341
Attachments: 1 described; binary payloads are missing from this source WARC

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Please make your plans to attend this upcoming meeting on Tuesday night, September 18th @ 7:30 PM at the Fire House in Alpharetta at 2970 Webb Bridge Rd. Webb Bridge Road is an extension of Academy Street. Academy Street dead ends into Hwy 9 in Alpharetta. Basically you would turn onto Academy Street going east and about 8 - 10 blocks or so, Academy Street turns into Webb Bridge Rd. <http://tinyurl.com/yhd25e> http://tinyurl.com/yhd25e this link provides you with a map. If you go under GA400, you have gone toooooo far. Turn around, and the Fire House will be on your right.

See you Tuesday night, September 18th @ 7:30PM.

# 342. Updated member list that 2 members were left off from the previous.

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2007-09-08 14:55:22 UTC
From: Fred Moore
Topic: 342  Message: 342

Good evening Folks,

Here is an updated list of the NFARL members. I inadvertently left 2 people off the list. I'm not going to make excuses, but there are just too many lists. I need to get consolidated.

However, this was good. I found 2 errors in the DB I didn't know existed

I sure hope this is correct now.

Fred
N4CLA

CALL SIGN
Last Name
First Name

AA4ZC
Boden Jr
Lawrence

AE4LZ
Weber
John

AF4FO
Swiderski
Susan

AF4IA
Juckett
Lee

K0OCC
Johansmeier
Ernest

K2ZPF
Krosner
Steve

K3WNL
Burdge
John

K4BB
Beeman
Robert

K4HBI
Swiderski
Mike

K4JHM
Myers
Harold

K4PQC
Specht
Phil

K4RAB
Black Jr.
Richard

K4RNM
McGee
Roger

K4UAF
Rogers
Don

K4ZF
Morgan
Sean

K4ZF, Father of
Morgan
Dave

K4ZOL
Stafford
Marilyn

K7SYS
Kludt
John

KB4KBS
Straw
Scott

KB4LWS
Andrus
Diane

KB4LWT
Andrus
Laurence

KB4RQM
Howe

Ron

KC4M
Early Jr
Harry

KC4NRX
Aubert
Charles

KC4YBO
Knittel
Steve

KC4YQU
Floyd
Randy

KC4ZGK
Chellino III
Edward

KD4DMT
Powell
William

KD4ILA
Mayer
David

KD4NC
Drye
Doug

KE4FOV
Bruner
Albert

KE4JKN
Mays
Suzanne

KE4NPE
McKibben
Jerry

KE4QLH
Ziskind
David

KE4UMT
Moore
David

KE4VFI
DelPozzo
Leah

KE4VRX
Fitzpatrick
Jimmy

KF4BL
Goodwin
Denny

KF4YDF
Hutton
Christopher

KG2GM
Schwartz
Edward

KG4BKH
Stewart
Tim

KG8EN
Vanderwall
David

KI4APG
McBride
Chris

KI4HPX
Wasilov
Victor

KI4MDU
Burkhart
Tom

KI4SBH
Hill
Ed

KI4TBD
Haynes
Erwin

KI4UTS
Burgett
Jeff

KI4VQQ
Kahn

Ian

KI4YDJ
McKenzie
William

KI4YJI
Reed
Bill

KI4YJJ
Cobb
Bill

KI7A
Wilson
Walter

KJ4HE
Woron
Walter

KJ4YM
Coleman
Mark

KR4TG
Del Pozzo
Michael

KS4KJ
Mays
Steve

KX4OM
Bruce
Ted

N1ABM
Alderdice
James

N1IB
Schornak
David

N3AIA
Reed
Doug

N3FP
Peters
Fred

N4AWT
Sweet
Sam

N4BTA
Arnold
Bret

N4CLA
Moore III
Fred

N4DJS
Richie III
David

N4DK
Kasten
Don

N4GFF
McKinney
Carl

N4KUF
Massingill
Ernest

N4UJO
Richardson
Larry

N4VYP
McKinney
Dorothy

N8DWH
Hinds
Donald

NC4E
Sanders
John

ND4D
McGinnis Jr.
Charles

NF4GA
Moore III
Fred

W2HIK
Holcomb III

Fred

W2IQA
Harris
Curtis

W3WL
Lamboley
Wes

W4CNG
Reynolds
Stephen

W4JDS
Smith
Jim

W4QO
Stafford
Jim

W4UOC
Koch
Tom

W4UXJ
Moss
Marvin

W4YBV
Joyner
Terry

W6GB
Bush
Gary

W8BLA
Fowler
Verne

W8SOA
Conrad
Jack

WA2EXZ
Ross
Robert

WA4BRO
Turner
Danny

WA4PNY
Bolton
Jack

WA4PZY
Nyland
Harold

WA4YNZ
Hampton
Bill

WB4MAK
McCormick
Mack

WK4U
Lemmon
Tim

Aubert
Russell

# 343. North Fulton ARES Net, 9/9/2007, 8:30 pm

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2007-09-09 00:27:56 UTC
From: nfares@yahoogroups.com
Topic: 343  Message: 343

Reminder from: nfares Yahoo! Group
http://groups.yahoo.com/group/nfares/cal

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# 344. N F ARES Net 8/9/07

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2007-09-10 01:18:09 UTC
From: Bret Arnold
Topic: 344  Message: 344

North Fulton ARES net 8/9/07 20:30 - 20:53 local Ncs:N4BTA
Ten Checkins 145.470- N4CLA /r

N. Fulton ARES

KI4HVN Andy
KI4MDU Tom
AF4IA Lee
W4UOC Tom EC NFARES
N4BTA Bret

Other ARES

KG4YBV Chris Cherokee ARES
KF4OLO Lee Cobb ARES

General

KD4FKY Dave
N4CLA Fred
W1ZRV Will

# 345. North Fulton ARES Net, 9/16/2007, 8:30 pm

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2007-09-16 00:46:44 UTC
From: nfares@yahoogroups.com
Topic: 345  Message: 345

Reminder from: nfares Yahoo! Group
http://groups.yahoo.com/group/nfares/cal

North Fulton ARES Net
Sunday September 16, 2007
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# 346. North Fulton ARES Net, Sept 16, 2007

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2007-09-17 01:38:11 UTC
From: Lee Juckett
Topic: 346  Message: 346

We had 14 check-in's for tonight's North Fulton ARES net:

w4uoc - Tom, Sandy Springs
ki4hvn - Andy, Powder Springs
ki4mdu - Tom, Paulding County
n4bta - Brett, Alpharetta
w4qo - Jim, Roswell
ke4vrx - Jimmy, Roswell
n4xts - Eric, Northwest Atlanta
n4cla - Fred, Roswell
ki4yjl - David, East Roswell
w1zrv - Will, Lillburn
ke7eri - Judy, Lillburn
wk4u - Tim, East Cobb
wa4vgj - Steve, Dallas
af4ia, Lee, Sandy Springs (NCO)

Tom w4uoc briefly discussed the SET and will have details at Tuesday evening's meeting.

Tom w4uoc, Tom ki4mdu and Brett n4bta planned to experiment with packet after the net was over. Tim wk4u commented on his repeater on Sweat Mountain.

Brett checked into the Georgia state ARES net and reported that they plan to hold their SET on 10/6 in the morning. He suggested that we consider holding our SET at the same time to participate with their activities.

Thank you for your participation, and I hope to see you all at Tuesday's North Fulton ARES meeting at 6:30 at the Emergency Operations Center behind Fire Station #1 in Alpharetta, GA.

73,
- Lee, af4ia

# 347. North Fulton ARES Net, 9/23/2007, 8:30 pm

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2007-09-23 00:38:05 UTC
From: nfares@yahoogroups.com
Topic: 347  Message: 347

Reminder from: nfares Yahoo! Group
http://groups.yahoo.com/group/nfares/cal

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# 348. net roster for 9/23/07

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2007-09-24 01:07:37 UTC
From: Andrew J. Peltier Jr. KI4HVN
Topic: 348  Message: 348

w4uoc Tom
w4qo Jim
af4ia Lee
Ki4mdu Tom
n4bta Brett
ke4vrx Jimmy
kb4kay Tod
n4cla Fred
ki4yjl David
kc4zgk Ed
ki4ydj Dan
ki4yji Bill
ki4yjk Richard
ki4hvn Andy NCS

# 349. Amateur Radio Simulated Emergency Test

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2007-09-27 13:03:43 UTC
From: w4uoc@aol.com
Topic: 349  Message: 349

News Release
Thomas E. Koch
8170 Habersham Waters Road
Sandy Springs, GA 30350
404-314-6109

Ham Radio Tests Emergency Communications in North Fulton area
Sandy Springs, GA 9/27/2007 -- America was reminded of the critical role of Amateur Radio in 2005 as ham operators came from all over the country to provide emergency communications when other systems failed during recovery efforts from Hurricanes Katrina and Rita. This year the hams' work continued providing lifesaving services in many floods and wildfires around the country. Because of the complexity of modern communications, they can be overwhelmed in a disaster. These lessons are being tested on October 7, 2007 as Amateur Radio operators in North Fulton County conduct their annual Simulated Emergency Test.
Using emergency powered radios and working with local agencies, the hams will establish radio communications networks which can be used should there be a failure or overload of normal services such as was seen in the days following many types of incidents. In addition, the ham radio operators provide the ability to communicate between the many government and volunteer agencies which are needed in disasters.
This year the Sandy Springs, Roswell, Alpharetta, Milton and Johns CreekAmateur Radio operators will be replicating emergency communicatioins between the fire stations of the north Fulton area, Northside and Emory Johns Creek Hospitals. The hams have the slogan, "When all else fails – Amateur Radio!"
According to Tom Koch - W4UOC, "The hams of the north fulton communities take that quite seriously."
Amateur Radio volunteer operators from across the country respond to the calls for aid when needed. Despite cell phones and satellites, every year has seen situations in which they have been called upon in critical situations needing expert communications to keep an emergency from turning into a disaster. They provide their services and equipment freely to their communities. They are "Amateurs" only in that they are not paid, but their service in a crisis can be priceless.
What do Amateur Radio operators do during and after disasters?
Amateur Radio operators set up and operate organized communication networks locally for governmental and emergency officials, as well as non-commercial communication for private citizens affected by the disaster. Amateur Radio operators are most likely to be active after disasters that damage regular lines of communications due to power outages and destruction of telephone lines.
How do Amateur Radio operators help local officials?
Many radio amateurs are active as communications volunteers with local public safety organizations. In addition, in some disasters, radio frequencies are not coordinated among relief officials and Amateur Radio operators step in

to coordinate communication when radio towers and other elements in the communications infrastructure are damaged.

What are the major Amateur Radio emergency organizations?

Amateur Radio operators have informal and formal groups to coordinate communication during emergencies. At the local level, hams may participate in local emergency organizations, or organize local "traffic nets" using VHF (very high frequencies) and UHF (ultra high frequencies). At the state level, hams are often involved with state emergency management operations. In addition, hams operate at the national level through the Amateur Radio Emergency Service (ARES) which is coordinated through the American Radio Relay League and its field volunteers, and through the Radio Amateur Civil Emergency Service (RACES) which is coordinated through the Federal Emergency Management Agency. In addition, in areas that are prone to severe weather, many hams are involved in Skywarn, operating under the National Weather Service.

Is Amateur Radio recognized as a resource by national relief organizations?

Many national organizations have formal agreements with the Amateur Radio Emergency Service (ARES) and other Amateur Radio groups including:

- Department of Homeland Security - Citizen Corps
- Federal Emergency Management Agency
- National Communications System
- American Red Cross
- Salvation Army
- National Weather Service
- Association of Public Safety Communications Officials

To Learn More:

The best way to learn about Amateur Radio is talking to hams face-to-face. To find out how to get started and who to contact in your area, call or write:

The American Radio Relay League, 225 Main Street, Newington, CT 06111
Telephone 1-800-32 NEW-HAM www.arrl.org/hamradio.html

********** See what's new at http://www.aol.com

# 350. New file uploaded to nfares

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2007-09-29 11:48:02 UTC
From: nfares@yahoogroups.com
Topic: 201  Message: 350

Hello,

This email message is a notification to let you know that
a file has been uploaded to the Files area of the nfares
group.

File : /radiogramlecture.pdf
Uploaded by : w4uoc <w4uoc@...>
Description : Radiogram Training Program

You can access this file at the URL:
http://groups.yahoo.com/group/nfares/files/radiogramlecture.pdf

To learn more about file sharing for your group, please visit:
http://help.yahoo.com/help/us/groups/files

Regards,

w4uoc <w4uoc@...>

# 351. New file uploaded to nfares

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2007-09-29 11:48:50 UTC
From: nfares@yahoogroups.com
Topic: 201  Message: 351

Hello,

This email message is a notification to let you know that
a file has been uploaded to the Files area of the nfares
group.

File : /MessageHandlingTerms.pdf
Uploaded by : w4uoc <w4uoc@...>
Description : Message Terminology

You can access this file at the URL:
http://groups.yahoo.com/group/nfares/files/MessageHandlingTerms.pdf

To learn more about file sharing for your group, please visit:
http://help.yahoo.com/help/us/groups/files

Regards,

w4uoc <w4uoc@...>

# 352. North Fulton ARES Net, 9/30/2007, 8:30 pm

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2007-09-30 00:28:23 UTC
From: nfares@yahoogroups.com
Topic: 352  Message: 352

Reminder from: nfares Yahoo! Group
http://groups.yahoo.com/group/nfares/cal

North Fulton ARES Net
Sunday September 30, 2007
8:30 pm - 9:30 pm
(This event repeats every week.)
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# 353. Fwd: Halloween Hikes 2007

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2007-09-30 01:34:50 UTC
From: Lee Juckett
Topic: 353  Message: 353

Several North Fulton Amateur Radio League and North Fulton ARES members have assisted with the Halloween Hikes at the Chattahoochee Nature Center in past years. It is a fun, kid-focused event that needs ham operators to facilitate the flow of hikers along the trail. The CNC is in NFARL's back yard, so you don't have to go far to participate!

For more information about the event, see their web site at:
http://www.chattnaturecenter.com/sections/3/halloween.htm

Please help the CNC with this fundraising event. For more information about ham opportunities - and to volunteer - contact Charles Turner (K0CZR) as shown below.

73,
- Lee, AF4IA

k0czr@... wrote:Subject: Halloween Hikes 2007
Date: Sun, 30 Sep 2007 01:12:34 +0000

Halloween Hikes 2007
Hi Radio Operators:
I am looking for helpers for the Chattahoochee Nature Center Halloween Hikes again this year.

The four nights this year are as follows:

Friday Night - OCT 19From 6:15 PM Until about 10:00 PM
Saturday Night - OCT 20From 6:15 PM Until about 10:00 PM
Friday Night - OCT 26 From 6:15 PM Until about 10:00 PM
Saturday Night - OCT 27 From 6:15 PM Until about 10:00 PM

We have to be at the Center by no later than 6:15 PM each night to get a parking space and get ready. We have to be at the trail head before 7:00. You can work any evenings you want to. I would like to know which nights you can help in advance if possible, however we don't turn anyone away who wants to help. I need to have about 8 to 10 people helping each night if possible. We have a great group and many work all four nights... ( I think it's the Pizza!)

You need to bring is a 2 Meter handheld and a flashlight. I have extra radios in case of a failure during the events. You might want to wear a jacket as moving around in the woods on a lighted trail gets cool.

We have two different frequencies we use.
We monitor the IBM repeater until 6:30 145.290 MHz 88.5 Hz tone
We Operate on 147.535 MHz Simplex from 6:30-10:00 PM

Charles Turner K0CZR tel:770-943-7686 Home PH, I also monitor 145.290 (IBM Repeater) in the shop during the day... I am often there throughout the day...

If you have any questions or suggestions, please call me anytime... ( I am retired)
Thanks Again
Charles

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k0czr@...

# 354. 4TH QUARTER NCS SCHEDULE FOR NF ARES

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2007-10-01 01:57:09 UTC
From: tom burkhart
Topic: 354  Message: 354

10/7/2007 AF4IA
10/14/2007 N4BTA
10/21/2007 K4ZF
10/28/2007 KI4HVN
11/4/2007 KI4MDU
11/11/2007 AF4IA
11/18/2007 N4BTA
11/25/2007 K4ZF
12/2/2007 KI4HVN
12/9/2007 KI4MDU
12/16/2007 AF4IA
12/23/2007 N4BTA
12/30/2007 K4ZF

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No virus found in this outgoing message.
Checked by AVG Free Edition.
Version: 7.5.488 / Virus Database: 269.13.35/1039 - Release Date: 9/29/2007 9:46 PM

# 355. net report for 9/30

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2007-10-01 13:25:12 UTC
From: tom burkhart
Topic: 355  Message: 355

We had a total of 10 check ins:

KI4MDU (NCS)
W4UOC
KI4HVN
AF4IA
N4BTA
K0OCC
K4HBI
AF4FO
KI4UTZ
W4QO

--
No virus found in this outgoing message.
Checked by AVG Free Edition.
Version: 7.5.488 / Virus Database: 269.13.35/1040 - Release Date: 9/30/2007 9:01 PM

# 356. eNEWS 2007-10

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2007-10-05 21:06:54 UTC
From: Fred Moore
Topic: 356  Message: 356
Attachments: 1 described; binary payloads are missing from this source WARC

Good morning / evening Ladies and Gentlemen,

Yesterday, 10/4/07, I tried to send this news letter out and some of you received a copy and some of you just received this text without the attached news letter. So, rather than trying to figure out who did and who didn't receive the eNEWS 2007-10 attachment, I am resending this to everyone. Sorry for any inconvenience this may have caused.

Your copy of the attached NFARL eNEWS for October 2007 is in PDF format, so you will need some utility to read this. Typically, most people use Adobe Acrobat Reader and it can be had on the Adobe web site for FREE from http://www.adobe.com/products/acrobat/readstep2.html .

Please note that our annual Simulated Emergency Test for the North Fulton county area of Georgia, will occur this weekend, on Sunday, October 7th, 2007 between 3PM and 5PM. Further information regarding this event is in the attached news letter. If you have any questions regarding this event, please contact Tom Koch at w4uoc@....

Also, make your plans to attend our upcoming meeting on Tuesday night, October 16th @ 7:30 PM at the Fire House in Alpharetta at 2970 Webb Bridge Rd. Webb Bridge Road is an extension of Academy Street. Academy Street dead ends into Hwy 9 in Alpharetta. As you make your turn onto Academy Street from Hwy 9, go east about 8 - 10 blocks or so, Academy Street will then turn into Webb Bridge Rd., and the fire house will be on your left. The following link will provide you with a map to the fire house http://tinyurl.com/yhd25e. However, if you go under GA400, you will have gone toooooo far. So turn around, go back toward Hwy 9 and the Fire House will be on your right.

See you Tuesday night, October 16th @ 7:30PM.

# 357. North Fulton ARES Net, 10/7/2007, 8:30 pm

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2007-10-07 00:25:26 UTC
From: nfares@yahoogroups.com
Topic: 357  Message: 357

Reminder from: nfares Yahoo! Group
http://groups.yahoo.com/group/nfares/cal

North Fulton ARES Net
Sunday October 7, 2007
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# 358. GREAT S.E.T.

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2007-10-07 23:06:12 UTC
From: Jim Stafford W4QO
Topic: 358  Message: 358

Wow... This was great as far as I could tell:

1. Bret did a great job as NCS - very organized and efficient.

2. John K3WNL and Tom W4UOC did great at the hospitals which I could copy very strong.

3. For the distance away, Bill Reed had a real big signal at Roswell FS 5 which is down in a hole near North Fulton Regional Hospital. What were you using Bill for antenna/power? Bill you were almost as strong as Northside Hospital.

4. I thought everyone did a great job with their RADIOGRAMS and phonetics. Impressive to anyone who was listening.

Thanks to Tom W4UOC for doing a great job as EC and for getting us all off our duffs to do something.

Jim/w4qo

# 359. Test message - anyone getting double copies?

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2007-10-07 23:33:39 UTC
From: Jim Stafford W4QO
Topic: 359  Message: 359

Am I the only one getting two copies of messages posted to NFARES yahoo? I let it ride a while to see if it got better. I also checked to be sure I wasn't subscribed twice. NOPE on both counts.

jim/w4qo

# 360. Re: [nfares] GREAT S.E.T.

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2007-10-08 00:07:31 UTC
From: Lee Juckett
Topic: 358  Message: 360

My congratulations to Tom W4UOC and Bret N4BTA for a well-planned and executed SET.

Congratulations also to the whole team of operators who supported the effort and patiently sent their radiograms.

I did not think that we would be able to communicate via simplex from Alpharetta to the southern part of Sandy Springs. That's why we do the SET!

Sean K4ZF and I operated from Sandy Springs Fire Station #3, and heard most all of the local stations, both hospitals, and many of the Roswell and Alpharetta stations.

Makes me think we should operate simplex occasionally for the NFARES weekly net...

73,
- Lee, AF4IA

Jim Stafford W4QO <w4qo@...> wrote: Wow... This was great as far as I could tell:

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Jim/w4qo

Yahoo! Groups Links

# 361. Net Report - North Fulton Amateur Radio Emergency Services Net, 10/7/2007

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2007-10-08 01:27:52 UTC
From: Lee Juckett
Topic: 361  Message: 361

Below are the check-ins for tonight's NFARES net:

1. w4uoc - Tom, Sandy Springs
2. ki4hvn - Andy, Powder Springs
3. ki4mdu - Tom, Paulding County
4. w4qo - Jim, Roswell
5. n4bta - Bret, Alpharetta
6. ki4yji - Bill, East Cobb
7. k4hbi - Mike, Norcross. Official Observer Coordinator and DEC for Army MARS
8. af4fo - Susan, Norcross. Georgia Section Manager
9. kd4ikz - Dave, Alpharetta
10. ke4vrx - Jimmy, Roswell
11. kc4zgk - Ed, NE Cobb
12. ki4ydj - Dan, Dunwoody
13. wk4u - Tim, East Cobb
14. ki4yjl - David, Roswell
15. kf4upo - Mike, Norcross
16. k3wnl - John, Dunwoody
17. af4ia - Lee, Sandy Springs, NCS

Designates operators who also participated in today's NFARES Simulated Emergency Test (SET)

Tom W4UOC reported some of the highlights from today's SET. We had 17 fire stations and 2 hospitals check in, and we had 1 NCS, 2 alternate NCS stations and 8 additional check-in's. Bret said we had over 30 participants. The first round of Winlink messages were sent by about 3:30 PM and the last Winlink message was sent before 5 PM today.

Bret N4BTA is scheduled to call this net next week.

The net closed at 8:58 PM local time.

73 to all,
- Lee, AF4IA

# 362. Volunteer Opportunity - Atlanta Marathon and Half Marathon

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2007-10-12 11:36:25 UTC
From: David Ziskind
Topic: 362  Message: 362

Can you give a few hours on Thanksgiving Day to help out a great event? I hope to see you there!

73,
David KE4QLH

The Atlanta Marathon and Half Marathon is quickly approaching on Thanksgiving Day, and we need your help to be successful! Ham radio is a key component of this event.

You can sign up online by going to <http://www.signmeup.com/58176> or visiting the Atlanta Track Club webpage and clicking through the links <http://www.atlantatrackclub.org/>. This is the first year we are using the online registration system, so please also send me an email to let me know you've signed up.

If you have any questions, please let me know. I look forward to your participation!

73,
David Ziskind KE4QLH
ke4qlh@...
404-966-6864

# 363. North Fulton ARES Net, 10/14/2007, 8:30 pm

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2007-10-14 00:25:26 UTC
From: nfares@yahoogroups.com
Topic: 363  Message: 363

Reminder from: nfares Yahoo! Group
http://groups.yahoo.com/group/nfares/cal

North Fulton ARES Net
Sunday October 14, 2007
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# 364. NF ARES Net Report 10/14/07

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2007-10-15 01:08:59 UTC
From: Bret Arnold
Topic: 364  Message: 364

NF ARES Net Report 10/14/07 20:30 - 20:40EDT
NCS: N4BTA 145.470- N4CLA/r Nine Check ins.

NFARES:
W4UOC Tom
KI4MDU Tom
KI4HVN Andy
W4QO Jim
N4BTA Bret

ARES:
KE4QCM Tom Dekalb ARES

General:
KR4MM Brian
K4YFA Tom
N1ABM Jim

Announcments:
W4QO 443.150+ repeater is operational in Roswell.
KE4QCM ARES Forum to be held at Lawrenceville Fest Nov 3.

# 365. Fwd: Old ARRL handbooks, etc., free on the Web

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2007-10-18 11:26:30 UTC
From: Lee Juckett
Topic: 365  Message: 365

For your information and edification.

Lee, AF4IA

Amateur Radio books free on the web There are two web sites that have full copies of ARRL 1936 and 1941
Amateur Radio Handbook, QRP projects, Editors and Engineers amateur
Radio Handbooks, etc.

Two books that any QRPer should have are the Crystal Sets to Sideband
by KO1YE and the QRP projects book.

These books are free for download legal out of date copywrite

http://www.tech-systems-labs.com/books.htm

Crystal Sets to Side Band by Frank W. Harris K01YE

Frank includes complete design techniques and circuits to build a
total Solid State ham station. He provides the theory and then the
actual circuits. A must read for

any QRP builder.

Additional books at tech-systems for free download are :

Amateur Radio Handbook 1959 Editors and Engineers

Surplus Schematics Handbook

Projects for QRP

http://www.pmillett.com/tecnical_books_online.htm

The above site has the following:

These are worth downloading just for the catalog section in the back

Radio Amateur's Handbook, American Radio relay League, 1936, 536 pages

Radio Amateur's Handbook, American Radio relay League, 1941, 552 pages

Another Editors and Engineers amateur radio handbook

The Radio Handbook, Editors and Engineers, 7th edition 1940, 608 pages

The above texts cover everything from the birth of ham radio ?
history, antenna, glowbug receivers and transmitters to modern day
solid state.

These are how to do books so get out your soldering iron for this winter's construction projects

# 366. North Fulton ARES Net, 10/21/2007, 8:30 pm

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2007-10-21 00:25:26 UTC
From: nfares@yahoogroups.com
Topic: 366  Message: 366

Reminder from: nfares Yahoo! Group
http://groups.yahoo.com/group/nfares/cal

North Fulton ARES Net
Sunday October 21, 2007
8:30 pm - 9:30 pm
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# 367. NFARES Net Report 10/21/2007

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2007-10-22 00:55:41 UTC
From: Lee Juckett
Topic: 367  Message: 367

We had 10 check-ins for tonight's NFARES weekly net:

1. Susan-af4fo, Norcross-Georgia Section Manager
2. Mike-k4hbi, Norcross-Official Observer Coordinator & DEC for Army MARS
3. Jimmy-ke4vrx, Roswell
4. Jim-w4qo, Roswell
5. Bret-n4bta, Alpharetta
6. Andy-ki4hvn, Powder Springs
7. Clay-aj4ch, Roswell
8. Tom-k4yfa, Roswell
9. Keith-kt4vq, Waleska
10. Lee-AF4IA, Sandy Springs, NCS

Jim W4QO noted that we are now operating two new repeaters:
1. 443.150 +5 no PL W4PME (in cooperation with MATPARC) on the water tower in downtown Roswell
2. 444.475 +5 PL 100 N4CLA on Sweat Mountain
Thanks to Fred N4CLA and his tech team for their hard work this wek.

Lee AF4IA noted that several NFARES/NFARL members participated in a public service event along with the IBM Radio Club at the Chattahoochee Nature Center in Roswell on Friday and Saturday nights. The "Halloween Hikes" continue next Friday and Saturday nights - contact Lee at af4ia@... if you are interested in volunteering.

Join us again next Sunday night at 8:30 PM local time.

73 to all,
- Lee, AF4IA

# 368. Why Are We Called Hams

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2007-10-22 12:14:57 UTC
From: w4uoc@aol.com
Topic: 368  Message: 368

Why Are We Called Hams

Have You Ever Had Someone Ask You That Question,
Now You Can Give Them An Answer

Have you ever wondered why we radio amateurs are called "HAMS"? Well,
according to the Northern Ohio Radio Society,
it goes like this: the word ham was applied in 1908 and was the call letters
of one of the first Amateur wireless stations
operated by some members of the HARVARD RADIO CLUB. There were Albert S.
Hyman, Bob Almy and Peggie Murray. At first, they called their station
Hyman-Almy-Murry. Tapping out such a long name in code soon called for a revision
and they changed it to HY-AL-MU, using the first two letters of each name.

Early in 1909, some confusion resulted between signals from Amateur wireless
HYALMU and a Mexican ship named HYALMO, so they decided to use only the first
letter of each name and the call became HAM. In the early pioneer
unregulated days of radio,
Amateur operators picked their own frequency and call letters. Then, as now,
some Amateurs had better signals than some
commercial stations. The resulting interference finally came to the
attention of congressional committees in Washington
and they gave much time to proposed legislation designed to critically
limit Amateur activity.

In 1911, Albert Hyman chose the controversial Wireless Regulation Bill as
the topic for his thesis at Harvard. His instructor insisted that a copy be sent
to Senator David I. Walsh, a member of one of the committees hearing the
bill. The Senator was so impressed, he sent for Hyman to appear before the
committee. He was put on the stand and described how the little Amateur station
was built.
He almost cried when he told the crowded committee room that if the bill
went through, they would have to close up the station because they could not
afford the license fees and all the other requirements that were set up in
the bill. The debate started and the little station HAM became a symbol of all
the little Amateur stations in the country crying out to be saved from menace
and greed of the big commercial stations who did not want them around.
Finally, the bill got to the floor of Congress and every speaker talked about the
poor little station "HAM."

That's how it all started. You will find the whole story in the
Congressional Record. Nationwide publicity associated station HAM with Amateurs. From
that day to this, and probably to the end of time, in radio, an Amateur is a
HAM.

********** See what's new at http://www.aol.com

# 369. Welcome to Battery University

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2007-10-26 13:47:37 UTC
From: Lee Juckett
Topic: 369  Message: 369

Battery University is an on-line resource that provides practical battery knowledge for engineers, educators, students and battery users alike. The papers address battery chemistries, best battery choices and ways to make your battery last longer.

http://batteryuniversity.com

73,
- Lee, AF4IA

# 370. North Fulton ARES Net, 10/28/2007, 8:30 pm

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2007-10-28 00:25:16 UTC
From: nfares@yahoogroups.com
Topic: 370  Message: 370

Reminder from: nfares Yahoo! Group
http://groups.yahoo.com/group/nfares/cal

North Fulton ARES Net
Sunday October 28, 2007
8:30 pm - 9:30 pm
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# 371. [Fwd: [hfdec] ALE -SSB Net Active November 11th for IARU EmCom Party]

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2007-10-28 23:57:59 UTC
From: tom burkhart
Topic: 371  Message: 371
Attachments: 2 described; binary payloads are missing from this source WARC

ALE -SSB Net Active 11 November for IARU EmCom Party Posted by: expeditionradio expeditionradio@yahoo.com expeditionradio Fri Oct 26, 2007 11:39 pm (PST)

# 372. FEMA courses for ARES Members

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2007-10-29 00:18:42 UTC
From: w4uoc@aol.com
Topic: 372  Message: 372

Attached is some information pertaining to our discussions at the lase ARES meeting about the FEMA coursed. Each of these courses should take you no more an hour to review and take the tests. Let's try to take at least one course per month or more so as to complete 100, 200 and 700 by the end of the year. I would suggest you get 800A after the first of the year for January.

We will review each course at each meeing in Oct, November and December.

FEMA courses:

http://training.fema.gov/EMIWeb/IS/is100.asp will get you the IS-100 course.

http://training.fema.gov/EMIWeb/IS/is200.asp will get you the IS-200 course.

http://training.fema.gov/EMIWeb/IS/is700.asp will get you the IS-700 course.

http://training.fema.gov/EMIWeb/IS/is800a.asp is for the recently revised IS-800A course.

73

Tom Koch - W4UOC
EC - North Fulton ARES

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# 373. net roster for 10/28/07

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2007-10-29 01:14:50 UTC
From: Andrew J. Peltier Jr. KI4HVN
Topic: 373  Message: 373

KI4VQL Tim
W4UOC Tom
KI4MDU Tom
N4BTA Bret
KE4VRX Jimmy
W4QO Jim
N4ZAZ Randy
K4YFA Tom
KI4YUL David
KI4HVN Andy NCS

73 Andy J. Peltier

# 374. Fwd: Keep Cobb Beautiful Electronics Recycling Day

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2007-10-30 19:13:20 UTC
From: Lee Juckett
Topic: 374  Message: 374

May be of interest to some of us who live in (or near) Cobb County.

73,
- Lee, AF4IA

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From Gwen Baldwin, Keep Cobb Beautiful Public Program Coordinator:

Keep Cobb Beautiful will hold an Electronics Recycling Day from 9:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. on Saturday, November 3. Residents can drive up and drop off electronics, such as outdated or broken computers, cell phones, and VCR's.

Two locations will be available from 9:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m:
1. Jim Miller Park, 2245 Callaway Rd SW; Marietta, GA 30008 (enter on Al Bishop Drive)
2. Cowboy's Dance Club parking lot, 1750 N. Roberts Road; Kennesaw

Absolutely no televisions will be accepted. Televisions may be taken to the County Transfer station located at 1897 County Services Parkway, for a $7 disposal fee. For a complete list of items that will be accepted at Electronic Recycling Day, visit www.kcb.cobbcountyga.gov/E-RecycleEvent.htm

For more information, call 770-528-2500. Businesses wishing to recycle should call 678-566-6665 to schedule a pick-up.

Gwen Baldwin
Public Program Coordinator
770-528-1135 Fax: 770-528-2504
Gwen.Baldwin@...

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# 375. Wild fire in CA report for hams

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2007-10-31 23:42:55 UTC
From: Jim Stafford W4QO
Topic: 375  Message: 375

http://www.arrl.org/news/stories/2007/10/30/100/

# 376. North Fulton ARES Net, 11/4/2007, 8:30 pm

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2007-11-04 01:25:08 UTC
From: nfares@yahoogroups.com
Topic: 376  Message: 376

Reminder from: nfares Yahoo! Group
http://groups.yahoo.com/group/nfares/cal

North Fulton ARES Net
Sunday November 4, 2007
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# 377. ncs schedule

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2007-11-04 22:35:57 UTC
From: tom burkhart
Topic: 377  Message: 377

I will be updating the NCS schedule for the ARES net later this week. If you would like to be NCS please send me an email by Wednesday. I will be publishing the new schedule on Thursday.

Tom
KI4MDU

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Checked by AVG Free Edition.
Version: 7.5.503 / Virus Database: 269.15.20/1108 - Release Date: 11/3/2007 9:42 PM

# 378. ARES NET LOG

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2007-11-05 02:22:48 UTC
From: tom burkhart
Topic: 378  Message: 378

We had 14 checkins. The net ended at 8:50

KI4MDU - NCS
AF4FO
K4HBI
W4UOC
W4QO
AF4IA
KI4HVN
KI4LZG
KE4VRX
K3GO
KC4YVO
KI4VQQ
KJ4HE
KI4YJI

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No virus found in this outgoing message.
Checked by AVG Free Edition.
Version: 7.5.503 / Virus Database: 269.15.20/1108 - Release Date: 11/3/2007 9:42 PM

# 379. UPDATED NCS SCHEDULE

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2007-11-10 14:08:21 UTC
From: tom burkhart
Topic: 379  Message: 379
Attachments: 1 described; binary payloads are missing from this source WARC

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11/11/2007 AF4IA
11/18/2007 N4BTA
11/25/2007 KI4HVN
12/2/2007 KI4MDU
12/9/2007 AF4IA
12/16/2007 N4BTA
12/23/2007 KI4HVN
12/30/2007 KI4MDU
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# 380. North Fulton ARES Net, 11/11/2007, 8:30 pm

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2007-11-11 01:25:14 UTC
From: nfares@yahoogroups.com
Topic: 380  Message: 380

Reminder from: nfares Yahoo! Group
http://groups.yahoo.com/group/nfares/cal

North Fulton ARES Net
Sunday November 11, 2007
8:30 pm - 9:30 pm
(This event repeats every week.)
Location: 145.470 MHz (or 145.41 MHz backup) repeater

Notes:
Consult http://www.nfares.org/ for net schedule and frequencies.

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# 381. North Fulton ARES Net Report for 11/11/2007

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2007-11-12 02:13:34 UTC
From: Lee Juckett
Topic: 381  Message: 381

We had 11 check-in's for tonight's North Fulton ARES net:

1. AF4FO-Susan, Norcross Georgia Section Manager & Gwinnett ARES member.
2. K4HBI-Mike, Norcross Official Observer Coordinator, DEC for Army MARS, & Gwinnett ARES manager.
3. KE4VRX-Jimmy, Roswell
4. KI4HVN-Andy, Powder Springs
5. KI4MDU-Tom, Paulding County
6. N4ZAZ-Randy, Alpharetta
7. KI4YJI-Bill, East Cobb
8. KD4FKY-Dave, Marietta
9. KD4FKX-Dixie, Marietta
10. KI4HMU-Ken, Stone Mountain
11. AF4IA-Lee, Sandy Springs, your humble NCS

Lee reminded the group about the upcoming Family Preparedness Fair in Sandy Springs next Saturday, November 17 from 10 AM to 3 PM. It will be in the Mt. Vernon Presbyterian School's Glen campus in their new gymnasium at 510 Mt Vernon Road in Sandy Springs. If you are available to help out, please contact Tom at w4uoc@...

The net closed at 9:41 PM local time.

73 to all,
- Lee, AF4IA

# 382. Re: [nfares] North Fulton ARES Net Report for 11/11/2007

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2007-11-12 02:18:23 UTC
From: Lee Juckett
Topic: 381  Message: 382

Please note correction to K4HBI's list of titles below. Sorry, Mike.

- Lee, AF4IA

Lee Juckett <af4ia@...> wrote: We had 11 check-in's for tonight's North Fulton ARES net:

1. AF4FO-Susan, Norcross Georgia Section Manager & Gwinnett ARES member.
2. K4HBI-Mike, Norcross Official Observer Coordinator, DEC for Army MARS, & Gwinnett ARES member.
3. KE4VRX-Jimmy, Roswell
4. KI4HVN-Andy, Powder Springs
5. KI4MDU-Tom, Paulding County
6. N4ZAZ-Randy, Alpharetta
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The net closed at 9:41 PM local time.

73 to all,
- Lee, AF4IA

# 383. NFARL eNEWS 2007-11

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2007-11-14 12:44:22 UTC
From: Fred Moore
Topic: 383  Message: 383
Attachments: 1 described; binary payloads are missing from this source WARC

Good morning / evening Ladies and Gentlemen,
Your copy of the attached NFARL eNEWS for November 2007 is in PDF format, so you will need some utility to read this. Typically, most people use Adobe Acrobat Reader. If you do not have Adobe Acrobat Reader you can get it on the Adobe web site for FREE from http://www.adobe.com/products/acrobat/readstep2.html .

Make your plans to attend our upcoming meeting on Tuesday night, November 20th @ 7:30 PM at the Fire House in Alpharetta at 2970 Webb Bridge Rd. Webb Bridge Road is an extension of Academy Street. Academy Street dead ends into Hwy 9 in Alpharetta. As you make your turn onto Academy Street from Hwy 9, go east about 8 - 10 blocks or so, Academy Street will then turn into Webb Bridge Rd., and the fire house will be on your left. The following link will provide you with a map to the fire house http://tinyurl.com/yhd25e.

# 384. North Fulton ARES Net, 11/18/2007, 8:30 pm

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2007-11-18 01:25:21 UTC
From: nfares@yahoogroups.com
Topic: 384  Message: 384

Reminder from: nfares Yahoo! Group
http://groups.yahoo.com/group/nfares/cal

North Fulton ARES Net
Sunday November 18, 2007
8:30 pm - 9:30 pm
(This event repeats every week.)
Location: 145.470 MHz (or 145.41 MHz backup) repeater

Notes:
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# 385. Fwd: [nfares] FEMA courses for ARES Members

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2007-11-18 18:07:17 UTC
From: Lee Juckett
Topic: 385  Message: 385

One item on the agenda for the North Fulton ARES meeting on Tuesday at 6:30 PM will be to review the FEMA courses that Tom listed in his email below.

For those of you without internet access (tell me how you got this email), or are too lazy to click your mouse on the links below, I will have a few CD's containing the student manuals and tests for these courses. Yes, they are free, courtesy of your humble NFARES guest host.

Note, however, that all of the tests must be taken and submitted on line and the certificates are sent to you as an email attachment in PDF format.

See you on Tuesday evening.

73,
- Lee, AF4IA

w4uoc@... wrote: To: nfarl@yahoogroups.com, nfares@yahoogroups.com
From: w4uoc@...
Date: Sun, 28 Oct 2007 20:18:42 EDT
Subject: [nfares] FEMA courses for ARES Members

Attached is some information pertaining to our discussions at the last ARES meeting about the FEMA courses. Each of these courses should take you no more an hour to review and take the tests. Let's try to take at least one course per month or more so as to complete 100, 200 and 700 by the end of the year. I would suggest you get 800A after the first of the year for January.

We will review each course at each meeting in Oct, November and December.

FEMA courses:

http://training.fema.gov/EMIWeb/IS/is100.asp will get you the IS-100 course.

http://training.fema.gov/EMIWeb/IS/is200.asp will get you the IS-200 course.

http://training.fema.gov/EMIWeb/IS/is700.asp will get you the IS-700 course.

http://training.fema.gov/EMIWeb/IS/is800a.asp is for the recently revised IS-800A course.

73

Tom Koch - W4UOC
EC - North Fulton ARES

# 386. Net Report 11/18/07

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2007-11-19 02:18:47 UTC
From: Bret Arnold
Topic: 386  Message: 386

North Fulton ARES Net 11/18/07 8:30 ☐ 8:39 EST
145.470 mhz. N4CLA/r NCS: N4BTA 10 Checkins

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Officers:
AF4FO Susan Norcross ARRL Section Manager
K4HBI Mike Norcross GA OOC
NF ARES:
AF4IA Lee Sandy Springs
KE4VRX Jimmy Roswell
KI4HVN Andy Powder Springs
KI4MDU Tom Paulding Co
W4QO Jim Roswell
N4BTA Bret Alpharetta
General:
KI4YJI Bill East Cobb Co
K3GO John Roswell
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# 387. Calling all hams who love a parade!!!!!!

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2007-11-26 01:31:13 UTC
From: Tom Fuller
Topic: 387  Message: 387

Calling all hams who love a parade!!!

ON BEHALF OF TIM ROSING, KC4ELV WHO IS LOOKING FOR HAM VOLUNTEERS:

Once again its time to support the Childrens Health Care of Atlanta Christmas Parade although you can't tell it from the WX. Saturday Dec 1st 2007 is the day and we need help. Thanks to all the volunteers from past years, we hope you can participate again this year. We haven't heard of any changes from last year so far. This event usually begins around 7am for a light breakfast and ends a little before noon.

Anyone interested in giving a few hours can send me an email at: KC4ELV@... with the subject line "PARADE".

** PLEASE REMEMBER TO BRING WARM CLOTHING, YOUR HT AND AN EXTRA HT BATTERY OR TWO **

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# 388. Net Roster

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2007-11-26 01:47:40 UTC
From: Andrew J. Peltier Jr. KI4HVN
Topic: 388  Message: 388

AF4FO Susan
K4HBI Mike
W4UOC Tom
KE4VRX Jimmy
AF4IA Lee
N4BTA Bret
KI4YJL David
KI4MDU Tom
KI4HVN Andy NCS

73 Andy J. Peltier Jr.

# 389. net report 12/2/07

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2007-12-03 01:47:34 UTC
From: tom burkhart
Topic: 389  Message: 389

We had a total of 10 checkins, and the net closed at 8:43

KI4MDU NCS
W4UOC
AF4AI
KE4VRX
N4BTA
KI4HVN
W4QO
AA4BZ
N4ZAZ

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No virus found in this outgoing message.
Checked by AVG Free Edition.
Version: 7.5.503 / Virus Database: 269.16.12/1163 - Release Date: 12/1/2007 12:05 PM

# 390. Log for 12/09/2007 NFARES Net

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2007-12-10 02:16:27 UTC
From: Lee Juckett
Topic: 390  Message: 390

We had 15 check-ins for tonight's North Fulton ARES net:

1. AF4FO-Susan in Norcross, Georgia Section Manager
2. K4HBI-Mike in Norcross, Georgia Official Observer Coordinator and DEC for Army MARS
3. KI4MDU-Tom in Paulding County
4. K4ZF-Sean in Sandy Springs (portable)
5. KE4VRX-Jimmy in Roswell
6. W4QO-Jim in Roswell
7. KI4LZG-Brian in Dallas
8. N4BTA-Bret in Alpharetta
9. KI4YJL-David in East Roswell
10. KI4IYA-Addison in Atlanta
11. KD4FKY-Dave in East Cobb
12. W4ADS-Alf in East Cobb
13. KJ4AYO-Stuart in Atlanta
14. JK4AJY-Eric in Stone Mountain (late check-in)
15. AF4IA-Lee in Sandy Springs, Net Control Operator

There were three partially-related announcements:
1. W4QO-Jim reminded everyone about the upcoming North Fulton Amateur Radio League Christmas party on December 18 at 6:30 PM. Bring a side dish and bring a children's gift. Location is Christ United Methodist Church Fellowship Hall 1340 Woodstock Road, Roswell. If you have received our invitation, please RSVP Yes or No. If you have not received our invitation, please email n4cla@... and he will send you one.

2. KD4FKY-Dave described how he will provide entertainment for the above party, since he is a professional magician, hypnotist, and mind reader. Should be a great time!

3. AF4IA-Lee reminded everyone that the regularly-scheduled North Fulton ARES meeting on Dec 18 has been canceled so we all can attend the above-mentioned Christmas party. The next NFARES meeting will be on Jan 15 at 6:30, as usual.

The net closed at 8:44 PM local time.

73 to all,
- Lee, AF4IA

# 391. WinLINK article

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2007-12-14 00:02:20 UTC
From: Jim Stafford W4QO
Topic: 391  Message: 391

http://www.arrl.org/news/stories/2007/12/13/101/

# 485. North Fulton ARES Net, 6/8/2008, 8:30 pm

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2008-06-06 00:25:23 UTC
From: nfares@yahoogroups.com
Topic: 485  Message: 485

Reminder from: nfares Yahoo! Group
http://groups.yahoo.com/group/nfares/cal

North Fulton ARES Net
Sunday June 8, 2008
8:30 pm - 9:30 pm
(This event repeats every week.)
(The next reminder for this event will be sent in 2 days, 4 minutes.)
Location: 147.060 MHz ( 600kHz) PL 100.0. Backup is 145.470 MHz (-600 kHz) PL 100.0

Notes:
Please remember that both repeaters now require a PL tone of 100.0 Hz

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# 486. North Fulton ARES Net, 6/8/2008, 8:30 pm

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2008-06-08 00:25:20 UTC
From: nfares@yahoogroups.com
Topic: 485  Message: 486

Reminder from: nfares Yahoo! Group
http://groups.yahoo.com/group/nfares/cal

North Fulton ARES Net
Sunday June 8, 2008
8:30 pm - 9:30 pm
(This event repeats every week.)
Location: 147.060 MHz ( 600kHz) PL 100.0. Backup is 145.470 MHz (-600 kHz) PL 100.0

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# 487. NF ARES Net results 6/8/08

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2008-06-12 02:04:23 UTC
From: Bret Arnold
Topic: 487  Message: 487

NF ARES Net 6/8/2008 8:30-8:39 EDT
13 Check ins
W4UOC TOM
N4SEC JIM
KI4MDU TOM
KI4HVN ANDY
W4QO JIM
K4YJI BILL
KD9RU DAVE
W4VRX JIMMY
KD4NKE SHELIA
KJ4BWO DAVE
WB4MAK MACK
AF4IA LEE
N4BTA BRET NCS

# 488. North Fulton ARES Net, 6/15/2008, 8:30 pm

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2008-06-13 00:25:12 UTC
From: nfares@yahoogroups.com
Topic: 488  Message: 488

Reminder from: nfares Yahoo! Group
http://groups.yahoo.com/group/nfares/cal

North Fulton ARES Net
Sunday June 15, 2008
8:30 pm - 9:30 pm
(This event repeats every week.)
(The next reminder for this event will be sent in 2 days, 4 minutes.)
Location: 147.060 MHz (plus 600kHz) PL 100.0. Backup is 145.470 MHz (minus 600 kHz) PL 100.0

Notes:
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# 489. ARES - 2007 Simulated Emergency Test Results

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2008-06-13 10:15:46 UTC
From: w4uoc@aol.com
Topic: 489  Message: 489

The North Fulton Amateur Radio Emergency Service (NFARES) earned 246 points during last falls Simulated Emergency Test (SET) . That ranks us a 4th in the entire ARRL Southeastern Division and 3rd of all the participating ARES groups in Georgia. Thanks to the NFARES and NFARL members who participated in the SET and we will look forward to your participation this year.
Planning for the 2008 SET will include participation with the CERT programs within the five North Fulton communities as well as support for the Metro Medical Strike Team (MMST).

A special thanks to Bret Arnold, N4BTA for his NCS duties during last years set and for submitting the detailed reports to the ARRL accounting for our performance results. The following 2007 SET ranking data is published in the July 2008 issue of QST.

Southeast Division
Rockdale County, GA 297
Mobile County, AL 269
Gwinnett County, GA 255
North Fulton, GA 246
Newton County, GA 172
Camden County, GA 143
Cherokee County, GA 109
Townes County, GA 109
Thomas County, GA 132
Georgia EMA 55
Clay County, FL 66
Lee County, FL 132
Hillsborough County, FL 190
Sarasota, County, FL 132

The NFARES 2007 SET plans, scenario and objectives were as follows.

Scenario:
Violent wind, thunder and lightning disrupts land line, cellular, Internet and trunking radio systems throughout the North Fulton corridor, to include the cities of Sandy Springs, Roswell, Alpharetta, Johns Creek and Milton. Basically the messages are to report to GEMA the individual fire departments assessment of damages and injuries to those in the areas of responsibilities of these five cities. In addition two major hospitals that also serve these areas will report on ER admissions and support needs from the communities involved.
Objectives:
Provide initial VHF voice communications links between the above listed facilities and forward messages outside the effected area via VHF and/or HF and transfer the traffic to a remote Internet connection via Winlink with the messages directed to GEMA and copies to be sent via email back to the original

sending organizations to show the capabilities of our ARES system.
Sample Message Text:
To: GEMA
THIS IS A SIMULATED EMERGENCY TEST MESSAGE
NO SIGNIFICANT DAMAGE OR INJURIES REPORTED TO PROPERTY OR INDIVIDUALS IN THE SANDY SPRINGS GEORGIA AREA FOLLOWING THE RECENT STORMS
CHIEF WILSON
SANDY SPRINGS FIRE STATION #1
SPAULDING AND ROBERTS ROAD
_WILSON@..._ (mailto:WILSON@SANDYSPRINGS.GA.US)
770-393-4677
To: GEMA
THIS IS A SIMULATED EMERGENCY TEST MESSAGE
OUR EMERGENCY ROOM HAS NOT RECEIVED ANY STORM RELATED ADMISSIONS FROM THE NORTH FULTON AREA FOLLOWING THE RECENT STORMS
MARY JONES, RN
EMERY JOHNS CREEK HOSPTAL
6325 WEST JOHNS CREEK CROSSING
JOHNS CREEK, GA
_M.JONES@..._ (mailto:M.JONES@...)
770-355-8800
Action Plan:
1. Net Control Station – N4BTA, Bret Arnold
VHF, HF, Voice/Packet capabilities
2. Emory Johns Creek Hospital – W4UOC, Tom Koch
VHF voice capabilities
3. Alpharetta Fire Station #1-4 – TBD
VHF voice capabilities
4. Roswell Fire Station #1-4 – TBD
VHF voice capabilities
5. Sandy Springs Fire Station #1-6 – TBD
6. Northside Hospital – TK3WNL, John Burdge
7. Remote Relay Station – KI4MDU, Tom Burkhart
All communications will be simplex on 146.49 with no repeater back-up and using only emergency power except for the remote relay station located out of the immediate disaster area. Mobile or handheld equipment should be acceptable at sites 3-5. Relays of messages may be required as directed by the net control station.
All messages will be directed to GEMA or another destination to be determined at a later date. Copies of all the messages originated at a community organization will be copied back via email to complete the loop and show our ability to move traffic from a voice net, to digital/text and ultimately to a remote Internet connection.

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# 490. LOCAL HAM RADIO OPERATORS TO PARTICIPATE IN NATIONWIDE FIELD DAY

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2008-06-13 14:06:10 UTC
From: w4uoc@aol.com
Topic: 490  Message: 490

For Immediate Release
Contact: Judy Parker, APR
770.206.1477 (Office)
Katina Lear
770.206.1475 (Office)

—FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE—
LOCAL HAM RADIO OPERATORS TO PARTICIPATE IN NATIONWIDE FIELD DAY

June 11, 2008— The North Fulton Amateur Radio League and the North Fulton Amateur Radio Emergency Service will be participating in a nationwide emergency preparedness event on June 28 and 29, 2008. The City of Sandy Springs recently partnered with the North Fulton Amateur Radio Emergency Service group to provide communications in the event of a disaster. An Amateur Radio — often called “Ham Radio”?— was installed at City Hall and is tested weekly on Emergency Net and will become a part of the City’s Emergency Operations Center.

These Ham Radios and their operators have been invaluable during the past few years by providing critical communications in emergencies including the California wildfires, Oregon and Michigan storms, tornados and other events world-wide. During Hurricane Katrina, Ham radio was often the only way people could communicate and hundreds of volunteer “hams” traveled to the affected areas to save lives and property.

There are 650,000 Amateur Radio operators in the US and more than 2.5 million around the world, according to the National Association for Amateur Radio. Ham volunteers provide emergency communications for DHS Citizens’ Corps, Salvation Army, FEMA and hundreds of state and local agencies, all free of charge. Locally, they also work with our Sandy Springs Community Emergency Response Team (CERT).

Thousands of Ham Radio operators will be demonstrating their emergency capabilities during the weekend by contacting as many places on as many bands as possible. Many operators see this as a competition, but they also use the 24-hour drill for emergency preparedness. The public is encouraged to visit the event and learn about the newest digital and satellite capabilities, voice communications and even historic Morse code. The event is being held at Roswell’s Waller Park Extension located on Dobbs Road. Field Day activities begin at 2 p.m. on Saturday, June 28th and end at 2 p.m. on Sunday, June 29th.

To learn more about the North Fulton Amateur Radio League’s Field Day, go to _www.nfarl.org/fieldDay.html_ (http://www.nfarl.org/fieldDay.html) or for information on the North Fulton Amateur Radio Emergency Service, go to _www.nfarl.org/ares.html_ (http://www.nfarl.org/ares.html) . For more information about Amateur Radio, go to _www.emergency-radio.org_ (http://www.emergency-radio.org/) . More information on the City of Sandy Springs can be found at

_www.sandyspringsga.org_ (http://www.sandyspringsga.org/) or by calling 770-730-5600.

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# 491. [Fwd: NFARL eNEWS 2008-06]

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2008-06-14 02:35:44 UTC
From: n4charlielimaalpha
Topic: 491  Message: 491

Good morning / afternoon / evening Ladies and Gentlemen,

Your copy of the NFARL eNEWS for June 2008 can be read by going to
http://www.nfarl.org/enews/eNEWS_2008-06.pdf

Don't forget the meeting June 17, 2008 @ 7:30 PM. That is the third Tuesday!
This coming Tuesday!

# 492. North Fulton ARES Net, 6/15/2008, 8:30 pm

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2008-06-15 00:25:23 UTC
From: nfares@yahoogroups.com
Topic: 488  Message: 492

Reminder from: nfares Yahoo! Group
http://groups.yahoo.com/group/nfares/cal

North Fulton ARES Net
Sunday June 15, 2008
8:30 pm - 9:30 pm
(This event repeats every week.)
Location: 147.060 MHz (plus 600kHz) PL 100.0. Backup is 145.470 MHz (minus 600 kHz) PL 100.0

Notes:
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# 493. No North Fulton ARES Meeting in June...

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2008-06-15 19:35:17 UTC
From: Lee Juckett
Topic: 493  Message: 493

There is no meeting this month.  Our next meeting will be in July at Sandy Springs City Hall.  More information will follow with the details of the date and time.

- Lee, AF4IA

# 494. Net roster for 6/15/08

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2008-06-16 00:56:18 UTC
From: Andrew J. Peltier Jr. KI4HVN
Topic: 494  Message: 494

1. W4UOC Tom
2. AF4A Lee
3. N4SEC Jim
4. K4YJI Bill
5 KI4MDU Tom
6. KU4MT Dave
7. W4QO Jim
8.KD4NKE Shela
9. KJ4BWO Dave
10. W4VRX Jimmy
11. KI4HVN Andy ncs
the net ended at 8:45

73 andy j. peltier

# 495. *No* North Fulton County ARES Meeting in June 2008!, 6/17/2008, 6:30 pm

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2008-06-16 22:25:39 UTC
From: nfares@yahoogroups.com
Topic: 495  Message: 495

Reminder from: nfares Yahoo! Group
http://groups.yahoo.com/group/nfares/cal

*No* North Fulton County ARES Meeting in June 2008!
Tuesday June 17, 2008
6:30 pm - 7:30 pm

Notes:
*No* NFARES meeting in June. Next month's meeting will be at the Sandy Springs City Hall on July 8 at 7:00 pm. More information will be sent two weeks before the meeting.

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# 496. Fw: Peachtree Road Race - communications team

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2008-06-18 03:07:17 UTC
From: Lee Juckett
Topic: 496  Message: 496

At tonight's NFARL meeting, I mentioned that David Ziskind needs several more ham operators to help with communications for the Peachtree Road Race on Independence Day.

Please sign up at the link shown below and contact David at ke4qlh@...

Thanks and 73,
- Lee, AF4IA

--- On Mon, 6/9/08, ke4qlh@... <ke4qlh@...> wrote:
From: ke4qlh@... <ke4qlh@...>
Subject: Peachtree Road Race - communications team
To: af4ia@...
Date: Monday, June 9, 2008, 1:49 PM

Dear Lee,

Hi, thanks for signing up as a ham operator for the Peachtree Road Race. I will send out final details about a week before the race on July 4.

In the meantime, I could still use a few more hams. If you know of anyone who might be interested, please encourage them to sign up online:
<http://www.doitsports.com/volunteer2/user-volunteer-signup.tcl?job_id=17368613&event_id=191810&job_desp=Communications+%2d+Ham+Operator&volunteer_date=2008%2d07%2d04&start_time=06%3a00+AM&end_time=12%3a00+PM>

Thanks for volunteering!

73,
David Ziskind KE4QLH
ke4qlh@...
404-966-6864

==========NOTE From the Do It Sports Team==========

This email was generated by a web server. RESPOND IF YOU WANT TO CONTACT THE VOLUNTEER COORDINATOR.
If you would like to contact another representative of the The Atlanta Journal-Constitiution Peachtree Road Race 2008, go to its web site and use the contact email address.

Thanks

# 497. ARES Meeting Reminder

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2008-06-18 14:24:01 UTC
From: w4uoc@aol.com
Topic: 497  Message: 497

The next NFARES meeting will be held at the Sandy Springs City Council Chambers on July 8th, starting at 7:00 p.m. The City Council Chambers are located in Building 500 of the Morgan Falls Office Center on Roswell Road just north of the intersection of Roswell Road and Morgan Falls. We will have a talk-in with directions help, using the ARES station located in the Sandy Springs EOC on the frequency of 147.06 + 600 with a 100 Hz tone. Shelia Staton, KD4NKE will be the net control operator at the EOC for the meeting talk-in.

The primary meeting discussions will pertain to last years Simulated Emergency Test (SET) and plans for the 2008 SET scheduled for later this fall. Our plans for the SET may include interfacing activities with the CERT programs in the five North Fulton communities of Sandy Springs, Roswell, Alpharetta, Johns Creek and Milton. In addition to the area hospitals that participate with the Metro Medical Response System.

We welcome anyone interested in supporting our ARES efforts and it is not necessary that your are currently a registered member of our ARES organization to attend the meetings. All future ARES meetings will be held on the second Tuesday of each month.

If you have any questions concerning ARES our upcoming meetings fell free to contact me via email or my cell phone 404-314-6109

73

Tom Koch - W4UOC
Emergency Coordinator - North Fulton Amateur Radio Emergency Service (NFARES)

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# 498. North Fulton ARES Net, 6/22/2008, 8:30 pm

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2008-06-20 00:25:38 UTC
From: nfares@yahoogroups.com
Topic: 498  Message: 498

Reminder from: nfares Yahoo! Group
http://groups.yahoo.com/group/nfares/cal

North Fulton ARES Net
Sunday June 22, 2008
8:30 pm - 9:30 pm
(This event repeats every week.)
(The next reminder for this event will be sent in 2 days, 4 minutes.)
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Notes:
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# 499. NCS

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2008-06-20 20:18:10 UTC
From: Andrew J. Peltier Jr. KI4HVN
Topic: 499  Message: 499

Hey take me off the NCS list as I have no radio to do it any more.

73 Andy J. Peltier ki4hvn

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Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2008-06-22 00:25:22 UTC
From: nfares@yahoogroups.com
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# 501. AJC Sunday June 22, page ZH1

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2008-06-22 13:00:59 UTC
From: Lee Juckett
Topic: 501  Message: 501

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The article is copied below, but unfortunately it does not have the great picture of Tom W4UOC and Shelia KD4NKE from page ZH8 operating the station at the Sandy Springs EOC.

Great work!

73,
- Lee, AF4IA

Link to article:
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By David Pendered
The Atlanta Journal-Constitution

Published on: 06/22/08

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Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2008-06-22 16:22:03 UTC
From: Lee Juckett
Topic: 502  Message: 502

I scanned the picture from today's paper and posted it on the NFARES Yahoo Group under Photos-Photo Albums-Sandy Springs EOC.  If you subscribe to that Yahoo Group, you should be able to access the link here:
http://us.a2.yahoofs.com/groups/g_hr_3399923/77ba/__hr_/fd4a.jpg?grwPrXIBwmCi.KJH

I also posted it to the NFARL Yahoo Group under Photos-Photo Albums-ARES.  However the picture needs to be approved by an administrator before you can see it there.

Tom, I think it's great that you're wearing your ARES hat and CERT vest!

73,
- Lee

--- On Sun, 6/22/08, w4uoc@... <w4uoc@...> wrote:
From: w4uoc@... <w4uoc@...>
Subject: Re: [nfarl] AJC Sunday June 22, page ZH1
To: nfarl@yahoogroups.com
Cc: shelia.staton@sandyspringsga.org
Date: Sunday, June 22, 2008, 10:48 AM

I am in Ellijay this weekend.  If you have a chance scan the picture
and send it to Shelia and me if possible.  I'll try to get a copy of the
paper when we return.

Tom

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# 503. nfares net report for 22 jun 08

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2008-06-23 00:51:36 UTC
From: tom burkhart
Topic: 503  Message: 503
Attachments: 1 described; binary payloads are missing from this source WARC

We had a total of 12 checkins, and the net closed at 8:43.

W4UOC had a announcement to participate in the state ares netS on Sundays at 6:00pm on 3975, and the psk31 net on 3583 usb following the voice net. He also had a reminder that the next nfares meeting will be at the Sandy Springs EOC.

W4QO reminded us that field day is next weekend

W4UOC - TOM
AF4IA - LEE
KU4MT - DAVE
W4VRO - JIMMY
KD9RU - DAVE
KJ4BWO - DAVE
KJ4HE - WALT
K4YJI - BILL
N4OSJ - GREG
KD4NKE - SHELIA
W4QO - JIM
KI4MDU - TOM (NCS)

# 504. The ARES E-Letter

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2008-06-23 11:53:50 UTC
From: w4uoc@aol.com
Topic: 504  Message: 504

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The ARES E-Letter
June 20, 2008
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Rick Palm, K1CE, Editor

<http://www.qrz.com/database?callsign=K1CE>,

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ARES reports, other related contributions, editorial questions or
comments: <k1ce@...>;;
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+ The View from Flagler County

Many readers responded with comments and questions in re the new Red
Cross policy discussed in the last issue. Here is the further
statement of ARRL HQ's Chief Operating Officer Harold Kramer, WJ1B:

"While we believe that the Red Cross is implementing some changes
that will address some of the concerns expressed to them by ARRL, at
this point, it is work in process. There are many questions yet to be
answered, but we believe that the Red Cross is progressing in good
faith to complete the changes to their policy and their background
check consent form, which was the primary concern expressed to the
Red Cross by ARRL. There will be more clarifications and information
in the near future. Please keep an eye on the ARRL Web site for
updates as we know them. We are very much aware of your concerns and
have conveyed them to the Red Cross. We expect the Red Cross to
address these and other concerns on subject of their background check
policy in the near future." -- Harold Kramer, WJ1B, Chief Operating
Officer

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+ Midwest Floods

The Indiana Department of Homeland Security (IDHS) activated ARES members for tornado and flooding emergencies earlier this month. SEC Tony Langer, W9AL, said ops worked in EOCs and shelters, bagged sand, and aided in rescue efforts. Tornadoes visited 11 Indiana counties. As water inundated the region, President Bush declared 29 counties in central Indiana a major disaster area. Four people died.

On June 8, IDHS called for more hams: "The flood waters have impacted several counties here in Indiana severely. Ham radio operators have been operating continuously since activated and are growing weary. Some counties do not have a vast amount of active hams to relieve these tired operators." Specific areas needing amateur assistance were overnight relief operators at the Bartholomew County EOC, as well as the EOC and three shelters in Columbus County.

Marion County EC Mike Palmer, N9FEB, called out his ARES members: "People might think, 'Why not just use telephones or cell phones?' Well, many phones are not working down there at this time. With the high waters, electric transformers are out all over; even those servicing cell towers are out. Even with today's technology, we find ourselves looking at ham radio to assist. If you can spare a few hours or an entire evening, please consider helping."

In Wisconsin, five counties had called operators for duty ranging from backup communications to damage assessment. One county called on ARES members to provide patrols of flooded areas. Wisconsin SEC Bill Niemuth, KB9ENO, had 90 ARES members responding: "In Columbia County, ARES members provided dam monitoring communication, giving critical information to public safety officials about two dams that were nearly compromised."

Richland County ARES members provided a variety of services, including answering information calls in the County's EOC and providing specialized communications for disaster assessment by hover craft and airplane. These communications were in addition to providing traditional ham radio communication links between the EOC and evacuation shelters.

On June 12, more rain caused the state and more counties to request aid from area operators. Winnebago County ARES members provided damage assessment in the county and in the City of Oshkosh, while

hams in Fond du Lac helped with shelter communications. ARES teams in Marquette and Outagamie provided back-up communications and flooding reports to their respective EOCs. -- excerpted from the ARRL Letter

[An inquiry to Iowa ARES leadership is pending in re the colossal tragedy of flooding events there and elsewhere - ed.]

+ Amateur Radio Session Held at National Hurricane Conference

[Ron Mettler, WB4GHU, represented the ARRL Northern Florida Section at the National Hurricane Conference, April 1, in Orlando, Florida. Here is his report of the Amateur Radio Session there. -- ed.]

The Amateur Radio portion of the conference was divided into three presentations and was moderated by Dennis Dura, K2DCD, Manager of Emergency Preparedness & Response, ARRL and Chair of the National Hurricane Conference Amateur Radio Committee. The first session was given by the National Hurricane Center's Amateur Radio station WX4NHC organization, John McHugh, K4AG and Julio Ripoll, WD4R. In this segment, the many roles of Amateur Radio were illustrated by charts, audio clips, and video clips. Amateur Radio was praised for its historical role of assistance through the years in tracking hurricanes. The paths of access to the NHC were given: <wx4nhc@...>, the Hurricane Watch Net (14.325 MHz), the VoIP Hurricane Net, and the Citizen Weather Observer Program (CWOP). Both the NHC and the Coast Guard are considering implementing WinLink as well.

Another source of access to the NHC is through APRS. They appreciate this mode because gathering the data is automatic. In the past, NOAA initiated a program to provide weather stations to various amateur stations throughout the Caribbean, but the funding for that program was lost before the project was completed. For those amateurs interested in using APRS, the system that was used in this program is the Peet Brothers Model U2100.

In addition to the Hurricane Watch Net on 14.325 MHz, the NHC also gleans information from the Maritime Service Net on 14.300 MHz, and the Waterway Net on 7268 kHz.

One final way to get a report to the NHC is via an in-line reporting form on <http://www.wx4nhc.org>.

The second segment of the program was devoted to VoIP and EchoLink activity and presented by Rob Macedo, KD1CY. Using these methods provides an interoperability among government and non-government agencies to provide weather data to the NHC. There is a VoIP node on 7203 kHz, with an IRLP of 9219. A weekly net meets at 0000Z on Sunday (2000 Saturday night Eastern time) during hurricane season, and a monthly net at the same time on the first Sunday of the month during the hurricane off-season. The NHC is excited about using this mode to gather data, and amateurs are strongly encouraged to support it by

checking into the VoIP Net.

The third portion of the program was dedicated to the roles that amateurs play during hurricanes. This session was presented by Dennis Dura, K2DCD and Rob Macedo, KD1CY. We are being looked to for weather reporting, damage assessment, monitoring of critical resources and infrastructures, communication augmentation, and communication infrastructure replacements. In addition, intelligence gathering through the SKYWARN program training is another expectation. The NHC shares such information with other agencies, once it is verified.

ARES and RACES intelligence gathering includes shelter communications and mass care communications, and this information is also shared across multiple levels of agencies. MARS members who are also SKYWARN trained can share information with DOD and other federal entities. Even FEMA uses such information to determine appropriate responses.

The role of the amateur is changing. The new motto is "Before it fails, Amateur Radio gives situational assessment." We are no longer just communicators. We are being looked to for intelligence gathering, providing real-time assessment of conditions where we are.

In summary, if hams are actively performing all of these functions, we will have the situational awareness to know that something will fail, so we can be there when it does fail.

The future of Amateur Radio in disasters is changing dramatically, and our role is expanding in a new direction. It becomes an issue of personal responsibility for each of us to stay abreast of our training and technology in order to perform our role to its maximum.
-- Ron Mettler, WB4GHU, Sanford, Florida

+ 2008 Alabama and Mississippi Hurricane Conference

Emergency management personnel from Alabama and Mississippi assembled in late May for a three day hurricane conference in Mobile, Alabama. The visitor list was an impressive one that included Alabama Governor Bob Riley, Alabama and Mississippi State EMA Directors, Director of the National Hurricane Center, and many FEMA Directors and personnel.

The conference brought exhibitors, vendors, presentations, meetings and breakout sessions that included a broad range of emergency management, hurricane disaster and lessons-learned related topics. These conferences are a "must attend" event for Section Managers and Section Emergency Coordinators that are serious about providing emergency and disaster public service operations. Meeting many of the emergency management personnel, building relationships and discussing preparedness, must be done before the next disaster.

Alabama Section Manager Jay Isbell, KA4KUN, ASM Penny Isbell, KA4KUM, Baldwin County (Alabama) EC Patty Link, KI4JEO and ARRL Southeastern Division Director Greg Sarratt, W4OZK, hosted an ARRL booth and

attended the conference.

Logged were nearly 30 Amateur Radio operators from the 460 conference attendees that stopped by the ARRL booth. While at the booth, the Emergency Management visitors repeatedly expressed their appreciation and respect for what Amateur Radio operators do. -- Greg Sarratt, W4OZK, ARRL Southeastern Division Director

+ Hawaii State CD Makani Pahili Hurricane Exercise

On Wednesday, May 21, Amateur Radio operators with the Hawaii State CD RACES (HSCD) program operated the KH6HPZ station at the EOC in Birkheimer Tunnel within Diamond Head crater from 10:00 AM to 2:00 PM, in support of the annual Makani Pahili hurricane exercise. Two days later on Saturday, May 24 from 9:00 AM to 11:30 AM, HSCD RACES and Pacific Section ARES participated in a communications exercise simulating the recovery from the exercise hurricane, organized by Pacific SEC Kevin Bogan, AH6QO.

Six operators were situated at the State CD EOC, with additional ops on all major islands. More than 25 stations were on HF, including at Red Cross and County EOCs at Maui and Hilo, and individuals at homes and other locations were operating on 40- and 80-meters. Another dozen were on the state-wide VHF Repeater system. <http://ronhashiro.htohananet.com/am-radio/hawaii/scd.html>

This year featured a major push to implement and test the use of the NIMS (National Incident Management System) ICS-213 message form. It was used for the first time in Hawaii and the majority of the messages were exchanged in ICS-213 format. The use of the form and message handling protocol worked reasonably well. The advantages of the form include: minimal training needed; clearly notes the sender and the intended receiver; and the received message can easily be given to another person for subsequent handling. During the Wednesday exercise, incoming messages were entered into the EOC e-mail system for handling by the EOC staff as part of the exercise simulation. <http://ronhashiro.htohananet.com/am-radio/emcomm/ics-213-radio-protocol.html>

A handful of messages were sent via the traditional ARRL Radiogram message format. While the message format, handling and contents are well understood by Amateur Radio operators and can be sent very quickly, the message format and content needs translation by a ham operator before entering into the formal EOC message/situation handling systems. Further work continues regarding emergency communications and training in Hawaii. -- Ron Hashiro, AH6RH, Honolulu, Hawaii State Civil Defense RACES

+ Colorado Tornadoes Response

Colorado Section Manager Jeff Ryan, K0RM, reported that ARES District 10 was activated by David Markham, W0CBI, Colorado SEC, on May 22,

for a large tornado that touched down in northern Colorado near the town of Windsor. Ryan said it was just one of several across northern Colorado and part of Wyoming.

Colorado ARES District 10 EC Randy Long, W0AVV, reported that 31 operators provided communications service to the EOC and Fire Department in Windsor, the Weld County EOC, the Larimer County EOC, the City of Loveland EOC, the Loveland Mobile Command post and two Red Cross shelters.

Markham placed an additional 15 Amateur Radio operators in Larimer and Weld County on standby in anticipation of an overnight shift; he also requested adjacent districts to prepare in support of the ongoing operations.

Ryan said that at the peak of the ARES operation, "Colorado ARES had 55 operators supporting emergency response and relief efforts."

+ Florida Fires Response

Brevard County (Florida) amateurs responded during recent wildfires in Palm Bay and Malabar. The "Mother's Day Fires" started on May 11, and burned 13,000 acres. (Brevard County is home to Kennedy Space Center).

John Weatherly, AB4ET, and Clayton Bennett, KA4NHW, manned a 2-meter station in a shelter set up by the American Red Cross. Additionally, the Brevard Emergency Amateur Radio Services (BEARS) donated the use of their mobile command center to public safety agencies. The command vehicle, dubbed BEARS-I, was obtained through a $100,000 grant from the State of Florida. The interior was designed and built by a group of Amateur Radio operators from local Brevard County clubs that are members of BEARS. BEARS-I is outfitted with Brevard County 800 MHz public safety radios and amateur equipment.

BEARS-I was used as a command post in the week-long operation. The Palm Bay Fire Department, the Palm Bay Police Department, ARES and Florida Power and Light manned the four operating positions. The unit was put in place at Bayside High School when the fires started; it was relocated the next day to the US Air Force tracking station that became the new command center, as well as the staging area for trucks and teams from other counties. BEARS-I was used as a self-contained command center around the clock for over five days. - excerpted from the ARRL Letter; information provided by Jan Heise, K4QD, and Dan Fisher, AI4GK

+ A Repeater on the Fire Line in Northern California

Late in 2007, Sunnyvale ARES (Santa Clara County, California) was offered a high-level (3612') 440 MHz repeater. SARES saw this as an opportunity to provide a back-up for its low-level, local 2-meter repeater (K6GL) and to also provide a wide-area resource in time of

emergencies. The location provides coverage of the South San Francisco Bay Area, including peninsula communities, East Bay, Santa Clara County to Gilroy, the Salinas Valley, and Monterey to Santa Cruz. The SARES Repeater Group was formed by the EC and AECs, and the repeater call sign was changed to K6SNY. They didn't realize how soon it would play a role as a wide-area resource.

The "Summit Fire," in neighboring Santa Cruz County, started on May 22. Immediately, K6SNY was linked to the Santa Clara County ARES/RACES 2-meter repeater (AA6BT) to facilitate a county-wide resource net. The linking facilitated communication between the ARES/RACES EOCs for Santa Clara and Santa Cruz Counties. After the Santa Clara County EOC closed for the evening, K6SNY handled logistical traffic for Cal-Fire.

Two days later, overnight, the fire crossed Summit Road, into Santa Clara County and the county EOC was reactivated. The AA6BT/K6SNY link again provided a county-wide resource net. ARES members were advised to monitor for updates. The Santa Clara County EOC was closed again on May 25. By May 28, the fire was 100% contained.

A total of 4,270 acres were burned along with 35 residences and 64 outbuildings. There were 16 injuries. There were 12 cooperating agencies involved, 946 fire personnel, 32 fire crews, 45 engines and various other pieces of support equipment. As of May 30, the estimated cost is $16.1 million. -- Neal Enault, WA6OCP, SARES AEC and PIO

+ NHC Director Joins WX4NHC Annual Test

On May 31, WX4NHC <http://www.wx4nhc.org/>, the Amateur Radio station at the National Hurricane Center (NHC), held their annual Communications Test from 1300-2100 UTC. According to WX4NHC Assistant Coordinator Julio Ripoll, WD4R, this annual test has two purposes: To verify that ham radio equipment will not interfere with any equipment at the NHC, and to ensure proper performance of Amateur Radio equipment at the NHC.

During the test, NHC Director Bill Read, KB5FYA, addressed the Amateur Radio community on the VoIP Hurricane Net and on the Hurricane Watch Net <http://www.wx4nhc.org/Bill-Read-QST.mp3>. Read spoke about the importance of Amateur Radio in hurricane-related disasters and thanked Amateur Radio operators for their support in past hurricanes. He encouraged hams to continue to provide that strong support as WX4NHC enters its 28th year of service and the 2008 Atlantic hurricane season begins. Read made several contacts with Amateur Radio operators during the test.

"We all know how important it is to maintain communications during a hurricane to relay our hurricane warnings to those in the affected area which may have no other means to receive this vital information," Read said. "We are also very appreciative for the

surface reports from those in the storm which add to our database and help our forecasters better visualize what is actually happening at the ground level in real time. As our own ham radio station, WX4NHC, celebrates its 28th year of volunteer service at the National Hurricane Center, we extend our thanks to all ham radio operators that continue to support our mission to help save lives."

WX4NHC made 346 contacts during this event: 291 on HF and 55 on EchoLink/IRLP. They heard from 23 states and US territories, as well as countries including Bermuda, Curacao, Jamaica, Cuba, Honduras, Estonia and Canada.

"The WX4NHC Coordinators and Operators extend their thanks to all ham radio operators that participated in our Annual Station Test," Ripoll said, "and look forward to your continued support during the hurricane season."

+ LETTERS: New E-Mail Software

There is new software entitled JNOS for passing e-mail messages over Amateur Radio during emergencies:
<http://ronhashiro.htohananet.com/am-radio/packet/jnos.html>

Readers can download the program, and try it as noted in the documentation. Configuration is simple: it takes only ten to fifteen minutes editing in your call sign, password, and log-on banners to get started. The beauty of JNOS is the sending and receiving of e-mail messages over the Internet as well as Amateur Radio seamlessly. It can print incoming e-mail messages on a printer unattended, one message to a sheet, just like a fax machine.

JNOS will also take advantage of the ICOM ID-1 in digital data mode, and I'm in the process of testing and documenting that configuration. At some point, I'd like to implement this at Hawaii State CD and Oahu DEM, when a sufficient critical mass has been implemented. -- Ron Hashiro, AH6RH, Honolulu, Hawaii State Civil Defense RACES

+ LETTERS: Red Cross Recruiting Hams in Chicago

[The following was forwarded by Bob Small, K9MUY, Chief, Emergency Management, City of Oak Forest, Illinois <k9muy@...> and serves to enlighten ARES members as an example of Red Cross recruiting efforts. Thanks, Bob. -- ed.]

"Disaster Assessment Opportunity

"I'd like to tell you about an interesting Red Cross activity which may be particularly appealing to Amateur Radio operators and to anyone interested in public safety and public service.

"The American Red Cross of Greater Chicago is recruiting volunteers to join its Disaster Assessment Team. Disaster Assessment is an activity that provides support in the earliest stages of disaster

relief operations. Team members gather, analyze, interpret and report accurate and timely information about the extent of damage and overall impact, weather conditions, and demographics of a disaster-affected community. The team also provides mapping support. This information is reported and processed by various methods including Red Cross and Amateur Radio, conventional telephones, computers, and paper. The Disaster Assessment team is engaged as soon as it is safe within minutes of a major storm or other event occurring. Some members of the team, if they are able, may continue assessment activities for days following the event.

"We think this activity may be particularly appealing to Amateur Radio operators because, as hams, we are committed to public service, we have invested in radio equipment, and for many of us, we have emergency communications training and experience with damage assessment and reporting from our weather spotting activities.

"Please let me explain how this will work. The Disaster Assessment team will be comprised of three types of volunteers depending on the amount of time and scope of involvement one is able to provide. The first two types of volunteers, which we call Core and Affiliated volunteers, upon the chapter obtaining satisfactory background checks, are issued Red Cross identification and are allowed to display the Red Cross signage on their vehicles when conducting field assignments.

"However, unlike core volunteers who choose to be much more involved with the chapter, Affiliated volunteers are used when a disaster happens and are not solicited for additional participation within the chapter. In other words, Affiliated volunteers will be focused on the Disaster Assessment activity.

"The third type of volunteers, which we call External Partners, unlike Core and Affiliated volunteers, are not required to have background checks, but then will not be issued Red Cross credentials, will not be able to display the Red Cross signage on their vehicle while conducting Disaster Assessment activities, and the Red Cross will not assume liability for their service.

"As you can see, there are opportunities for everyone in this important activity. There is some Red Cross, Emergency Management, and weather spotter training required of all three types of team member, which will be provided at no cost to the volunteer. Some of this training is available online and the classroom training will be scheduled at times and locations with consideration for the volunteer schedule.

"In closing, the Greater Chicago chapter serves about 8.5 million people in seven counties covering more than 4,000 square miles, and as a Regional Chapter, lends support to the Northwest Indiana, Grundy County, Kankakee County, and Fox-River Valley chapters. If you are interested in being a core, affiliated, or external partner Disaster

Assessment volunteer, please reply by e-mail to <DisasterAssessment@...> and someone will follow-up with you promptly." /s/ Craig Dieckman, KC9HWK, Volunteer Lead-Disaster Services Technology, Disaster Services, American Red Cross of Greater Chicago <www.chicagoredcross.org>

+ LETTERS: Message Content Needed

Here in Utah we don't have a lot of disasters, but we do spend a lot of time on drills and simulations. My issue is: You tell us a lot about what ham radio units worked with which agencies, but never discussed are the actual contents of messages. It would help our simulations if I could be more aware of the contents of the messages passed by amateurs. If your contributors could keep this need in mind when reporting, that would be a great help to us. -- Jim Cox, W7QIS, Pleasant Grove, Utah <JCW7QIS@...>

+ LETTERS: On Obesity in Hams

[Here are two comments received in response to my editorial item on obesity in the last issue - ed.]

In re your comment in the last issue "Other than the obvious one, an additional benefit of a good diet and exercise is a more professional appearance to served agency officials," good one, Rick. Exercising a key or the push-to-talk switch isn't quite enough. Too many of us are either on the radio or couch potatoing in front of the tube when we're not killing ourselves with our fork or swilling down a few brews. I have seen too many publicity pix with the hams that haven't seen their belt buckles in years. - Gary Britten, W4GNB, Wilmore, Kentucky

There are more pressing problems in ham radio than "fat people." I cannot believe you have gotten into medical subjects at all. Just when our populace got over "classifying" people, you start publishing letters bashing fat people, whose medical problems you have NOT A CLUE! Go pick on smokers now. -- Larry Coppala, K4SFC, Fairdale, Kentucky

+ LETTERS: Satellites in a Doomsday Scenario

In re your comment in the last issue "Satellites may be all you have in a doomsday scenario, and are great ways to improve your operating skill," this statement may not be entirely true. If by a doomsday scenario you mean a nuclear event, the detonation of a single nuclear device or many nuclear devices will create EMPs that will wipe out most solid-state equipment on earth and in space. It was the Russians testing nuclear devices that fried Telstar. - Mike Hemeon, K1MH, NBC Principal Engineer Satellite Systems (retired)

+ LETTERS: United Way Lead for ESF 15 in Palm Beach County

The following report is a new one on me. I checked United Way's Web site and there is no mention of "communications" or a "communications plan." I wonder how Amateur Radio volunteers would play into this arrangement:

"United Way of Palm Beach County [Florida] is the lead agency for 'Emergency Support Function 15 Volunteers and Donations' in Palm Beach County's Comprehensive Emergency Management Plan. That means should a hurricane or other disaster hit Palm Beach County, United Way would coordinate volunteers and donations to assist the County in recovery efforts. Part of United Way's Disaster Volunteer Management includes Operation Step Up - Volunteer Reception Center, or VRCs. The VRCs would open within 72 hours of a disaster and would serve as a central location for the coordination of volunteers assisting in the relief efforts. United Way of Palm Beach County recruits volunteers year-round who would help staff VRCs, especially those volunteers 55 years of age or older. United Way provides VRC operations training including the roles of VRC volunteer staff.

"Here's how a VRC would work: In an instance of disaster, United Way of Palm Beach County would open a VRC and would call registered VRC volunteers to help staff the VRC. Next, the County, other governments and agencies would inform United Way where they need assistance. Then, United Way's VRC would coordinate volunteers and send them to the areas in need."

Do any readers have any insight into this? - Warren Rothberg, W4WR, former New Hampshire Section Manager and New England Division Vice Director <w4wr@...>,

+ LETTERS: Diminished Licensing, Technical Standards

I read with interest the recent opinions about the role of relaxed test standards on the technical competence of the amateur community. As someone who has been away from the hobby for about a decade, and recently became active again on VHF and UHF, I have to observe decline in our effectiveness I've noticed which has little to do with exams. Simply put, we appear to be licensing lots of new hams, but failing them after they get their tickets. I notice this in two major areas.

First, some newcomers appear unable to master the daunting feature sets of even low-end FM transceivers. I've heard ARES volunteers unable to field-program a new frequency, CTCSS tone, or other unexpected setting, not just when using unfamiliar rigs at emergency operations centers, but even when using their own handhelds.

Second, we appear to have many hams operating FM who have extremely low audio levels, don't realize it, and/or don't know what to do about it. It occurs to me that we old-timers who learned AM modes such as SSB on HF probably developed better awareness of ensuring adequate audio levels. Perhaps newer hams accustomed to consumer electronics and "automatic record level" everywhere have never

learned the basics of mic technique and setting proper audio levels.

In the spirit of "bring me solutions, not problems," let me suggest that clubs and ARES groups, where possible, bring back the annual "rig clinics" which were once popular, at which members were invited to bring their rigs, service manuals and little screwdrivers, and a local two-way shop or well-equipped ham brought the equipment necessary to check for frequency accuracy and deviation. When we hold routine training nets, let's be honest with signal reports, and offer them even when they're not requested. If someone checks in with voice audio that's neck-and-neck with his own CTCSS tone, don't tell him he's "loud and clear!"

Consider recording receive audio during a training net, and posting the entire recording in MP3 format on a club or ARES Web site for download. Some of us never get to hear our own received signal, at least not in comparison to other signals during a net on an FM repeater.

During at least some training nets, let's also practice a short-notice, mass migration to another repeater or simplex frequency, odd split, or a change in CTCSS tone, acknowledge everyone who gets there successfully, and follow up with instruction for those who don't.

Finally, if you hold a course to prepare newcomers for the Technician exam, consider adding a session two weeks after the test, and have everyone bring his new handheld. The owner's manuals are obviously not an adequate resource.

In one community along the Oregon coast, 18 new Technicians had gotten licenses and equipment specifically to be ready for an emergency. Just weeks later, their county was virtually cut off for two days by a storm-related break in a fiber-optic cable, and not one of them could figure out how to get a piece of traffic to the outside world. This is not only a sad waste of human resources and expensive gear, but has to be demoralizing to anyone who tried his best to be prepared.

None of this has anything to do with CW proficiency, or knowing your Hartley from your Colpitts. This is simply, "No Ham Left Behind." -- Paul W. Plack, AE4KR, Murray, Utah

+ CORRECTION: AO-51 Frequencies

In the "The View From Flagler County" article last month, the uplink and downlink frequencies for AO-51 are incorrect. The uplink is 145.920 MHz and the downlink is 435.300 MHz. I like the suggestion about adding Satellite Ops to the Emcomm portfolio, you never know when you might need that! -- Jeff Moore, KE7ACY, Deschutes County ARES, Bend, Oregon

+ K1CE For A Final

Ham radio is about collegiality and friendship, and we enjoyed heaping portions on Friday, June 13, when friends and colleagues of retiring Northern Florida Section Manager Rudy Hubbard, WA4PUP, gathered at historic Wakulla Springs lodge to honor him. Hubbard served as SM for 18 years, returned ARES to a place in the state EOC, and worked tirelessly to track Florida operators traveling to meet Katrina communication needs along the Gulf Coast.

ARRL CEO David Sumner, K1ZZ, said it perfectly: "Dear Rudy: Twenty-five years ago, at a point in life when many people are beginning to wind down, you were just getting started in your service to the ARRL Northern Florida Section: as Public Information Officer, then as Section Emergency Coordinator and finally as Section Manager for 18 years. Amateur Radio and the State of Florida have seen many changes over the past quarter-century, but your dedication and your willingness to speak up have been two great constants that have served the ARRL, Amateur Radio, and the public very well.

"Today your colleagues have gathered to pay you well-deserved tribute. As you prepare to transfer the heavy responsibility of Section Manager, please know that admiration for Rudy Hubbard and gratitude for his service extend well beyond the boundaries of Northern Florida. On behalf of the ARRL, its members, officers, directors and staff, thank you."

See you next month! 73, Rick K1CE

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**********Gas prices getting you down? Search AOL Autos for fuel-efficient used cars. (http://autos.aol.com/used?ncid=aolaut00050000000007)

# 505. Storm Week Video

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2008-06-23 18:02:02 UTC
From: Jim Stafford W4QO
Topic: 505  Message: 505

Here is a pretty good YouTUBE vid on Storm Week:

http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=zeKaojX-saU
<http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=zeKaojX-saU>

Of course, it would be from Indiana - go Purdue!

# 506. North Fulton ARES Net, 6/29/2008, 8:30 pm

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2008-06-27 00:25:15 UTC
From: nfares@yahoogroups.com
Topic: 506  Message: 506

Reminder from: nfares Yahoo! Group
http://groups.yahoo.com/group/nfares/cal

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Sunday June 29, 2008
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# 507. North Fulton ARES Net, 6/29/2008, 8:30 pm

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2008-06-29 00:25:18 UTC
From: nfares@yahoogroups.com
Topic: 506  Message: 507

Reminder from: nfares Yahoo! Group
http://groups.yahoo.com/group/nfares/cal

North Fulton ARES Net
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# 508. Fw: North Georgia Chapter this afternoon (10-10)

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2008-06-29 15:26:30 UTC
From: Lee Juckett
Topic: 508  Message: 508

Several people asked me about the North Georgia Chapter of 10-10 International at Field Day on Saturday.  Below is the information about the Sunday afternoon net.

73,
- Lee, AF4IA
10-10 #74583
New South #2028

--- On Sun, 6/22/08, Chaz Cone <chaz@...> wrote:
From: Chaz Cone <chaz@...>
Subject: North Georgia Chapter this afternoon
To:
Date: Sunday, June 22, 2008, 1:08 PM

How about checking into the North Georgia Chapter of
10X  this afternoon at 3:30p EDT?  Too
darned hot outside anyhow!

I'll will be looking for check-ins to the North Georgia Chapter this
afternoon at our  regular time, 1930Z at
28.610Mhz.  When we complete the net, we often QSY to 28.495
to pick up our Technician class members.

We're eager for folks to sign in and qualify for the New South
Award.  You can read all about it at
www.w4gkf.com/10x

On the website you can see a list of members of the North Georgia
chapter; I lost much of the paperwork when changing computers many years
ago (familiar  story?); if you're a member (from 'way back when)
please drop me an email with your appropriate numbers and I'll add you to
the roster.

See you today?

Chaz, W4GKF

Atlanta, GA

10-x#4842

VP#220

Chapter head, North Georgia Chapter

New South #1

# 509. North Fulton County ARES Net Report, June 29, 2008

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2008-06-30 01:16:05 UTC
From: Lee Juckett
Topic: 509  Message: 509

We had 8 check-in's for tonight's North Fulton County ARES net:

1. W4OUC-Tom, Sandy Springs
2. KD9RU-Dave, Milton
3. KD4NKE-Shelia, Sandy Springs Emergency Operations Center
4. N4SEC-Jim, Alpharetta
5. WB4MAK-Mack, Alpharetta
6. KJ4BWO-Dave, Atlanta
7. K4YJI-Bill, East Cobb
8. AF4IA-Lee, Sandy Springs, NCS

Tom reminded us that the next North Fulton County ARES meeting is on July 8 (the second Tuesday) at 7:00 PM at the Sandy Springs City Hall, our new meeting location. Thanks to Shelia KD4NKE for offering to provide talk-in from the Sandy Springs EOC on the 147.060 NFARL repeater. I will upload two maps to the NFARES Yahoo Group: a map to City Hall and a map showing the correct entrance to the building. Also, I will send web links and a reminder email so we all remember where to go on July 8.

Tonight's net concluded at 8:40 PM local time.

Finally, we are looking for a NFARES member to be the net control station for the weekly net on the third Sunday of each month. I can provide the net script and any training you may want/need. If you have a conflict on a particular week, the net control stations "swap" weeks when necessary. Please contact me if you are interested or have questions.

73 to all,
- Lee, AF4IA
Email: af4ia@...
Cell: 404-808-2227

# 510. North Fulton County ARES Meeting, 7/8/2008, 7:00 pm

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2008-07-01 22:57:51 UTC
From: nfares@yahoogroups.com
Topic: 510  Message: 510

Reminder from: nfares Yahoo! Group
http://groups.yahoo.com/group/nfares/cal

North Fulton County ARES Meeting
Tuesday July 8, 2008
7:00 pm - 8:30 pm
(This event repeats every month on the second Tuesday.)
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Location: Sandy Springs City Council Chambers
Street: Morgan Falls Office Park, 7840 Roswell Road Building 500
City State Zip: Sandy Springs, GA 30350

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# 511. North Fulton County ARES Meeting, 7/8/2008, 7:00 pm

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2008-07-03 01:28:01 UTC
From: Lee Juckett
Topic: 511  Message: 511

Here is a map of directions to Sandy Springs City Hall.

And here is a map of the City Hall Building.  Enter where it says "Council Chambers, Municipal Court, & Business Licenses" near the top left of the building.

If you have a GPS, the Lon/Lat coordinates for the correct entrance are:
   N 33 degrees 58.306 seconds
   West 084 degrees 21.610 seconds

See you on July 8th!

73,
- Lee, AF4IA

--- On Tue, 7/1/08, nfares@yahoogroups.com <nfares@yahoogroups.com> wrote:

From: nfares@yahoogroups.com <nfares@yahoogroups.com>
Subject: [nfares] North Fulton County ARES Meeting, 7/8/2008, 7:00 pm
To: nfares@yahoogroups.com
Date: Tuesday, July 1, 2008, 6:57 PM

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Reminder from:

nfares Yahoo! Group

Title:

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Date:

Tuesday July 8, 2008

Time:

7:00 pm - 8:30 pm

Repeats:

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Sandy Springs City Council Chambers

Street:

Morgan Falls Office Park, 7840 Roswell Road Building 500

City State Zip:

Sandy Springs, GA 30350

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# 512. Fw: North Fulton County ARES Net Report, June 29, 2008

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2008-07-03 14:49:29 UTC
From: Lee Juckett
Topic: 512  Message: 512

Thanks to Shelia KD4NKE for volunteering to handle net control duties for the third Sunday of each month.

If anyone else is interested, please let me know - we can always use alternate net control stations!

73 to all,
- Lee, AF4IA

--- On Sun, 6/29/08, Lee Juckett <af4ia@...> wrote:
From: Lee Juckett <af4ia@...>
Subject: North Fulton County ARES Net Report, June 29, 2008
To: "NFARES" <nfares@yahoogroups.com>
Date: Sunday, June 29, 2008, 9:16 PM

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Finally, we are looking for a NFARES member to be the net control station for the weekly net on the third Sunday of each month.  I can provide the net script and any training you may want/need.  If you have a conflict on a particular week, the net control stations "swap" weeks when necessary.  Please contact me if you are interested or have questions.

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# 513. North Fulton ARES Net, 7/6/2008, 8:30 pm

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2008-07-04 00:25:17 UTC
From: nfares@yahoogroups.com
Topic: 513  Message: 513

Reminder from: nfares Yahoo! Group
http://groups.yahoo.com/group/nfares/cal

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# 514. North Fulton County ARES Meeting, 7/8/2008, 7:00 pm

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2008-07-05 22:57:10 UTC
From: nfares@yahoogroups.com
Topic: 510  Message: 514

Reminder from: nfares Yahoo! Group
http://groups.yahoo.com/group/nfares/cal

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# 515. North Fulton ARES Net, 7/6/2008, 8:30 pm

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2008-07-06 00:25:19 UTC
From: nfares@yahoogroups.com
Topic: 513  Message: 515

Reminder from: nfares Yahoo! Group
http://groups.yahoo.com/group/nfares/cal

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# 516. Reminder: North Fulton County ARES Meeting, 7/8/2008, 7:00 pm

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2008-07-06 01:46:11 UTC
From: Lee Juckett
Topic: 516  Message: 516

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See you on July 8th!

73,
- Lee, AF4IA

--- On Sat, 7/5/08, nfares@yahoogroups.com <nfares@yahoogroups.com> wrote:
From: nfares@yahoogroups.com <nfares@yahoogroups.com>
Subject: [nfares] North Fulton County ARES Meeting, 7/8/2008, 7:00 pm
To: nfares@yahoogroups.com
Date: Saturday, July 5, 2008, 6:57 PM

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#yiv1500976017 .divider{width:5px;}
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Reminder from:

nfares Yahoo! Group

Title:

North Fulton County ARES Meeting

Date:

Tuesday July 8, 2008

Time:

7:00 pm
- 8:30 pm

Repeats:

This event repeats every month on the second Tuesday.
Location:

Sandy Springs City Council Chambers
Street:

Morgan Falls Office Park, 7840 Roswell Road Building 500
City State Zip:

Sandy Springs, GA 30350

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# 517. Re: [nfares] Reminder: North Fulton County ARES Meeting, 7/8/2008, 7:00 pm

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2008-07-06 19:11:08 UTC
From: Lee Juckett
Topic: 516  Message: 517

have had no problem accessing the links below.

However, if you cannot get these maps, you have three choices:
1.  Talk-in will be provided by Shelia KD4NKE (thanks, Shelia!)
2.  Look in the "files" section of the NFARES Yahoo Group
3.  Go to sandyspringsga.org and click on the "maps" link on the left side of the page.
The files I sent were downloaded directly from the link "Directions to City Hall/Fire Stations" and "Public Entrances to City Hall."

Please note that there is no option for "do not attend the meeting on July 8."

- Lee, AF4IA

--- On Sun, 7/6/08, Dan McKenzie <ki4ydj@bellsouth.net> wrote:
From: Dan McKenzie <ki4ydj@...>
Subject: Re: [nfares] Reminder:
North Fulton County ARES Meeting, 7/8/2008, 7:00 pm
To: af4ia@...
Date: Sunday, July 6, 2008, 12:42 PM

Lee, Maybe it's just me, but both times you have sent out these
"Directions" links I get "Document Not Found"

I think I know where to go, but your map would have been nice to have.

Thanks, Dan

KI4YDJ

Lee Juckett wrote:

Here is a map of directions to
Sandy Springs City Hall.

And here is a map of the City
Hall Building.  Enter where it says "Council Chambers, Municipal
Court, & Business Licenses" near the top left of the building.

If you have a GPS, the Lon/Lat coordinates for the correct
entrance are:
   N 33 degrees 58.306 seconds
   West 084 degrees 21.610 seconds

See you on July 8th!

73,
- Lee, AF4IA

--- On Sat, 7/5/08, nfares@yahoogroups. com <nfares@yahoogroups. com>
wrote:

From:
nfares@yahoogroups. com <nfares@yahoogroups. com>

Subject: [nfares] North Fulton County ARES Meeting, 7/8/2008, 7:00 pm

To: nfares@yahoogroups. com

Date: Saturday, July 5, 2008, 6:57 PM

Reminder from:

nfares Yahoo! Group

Title:

North Fulton County ARES
Meeting

Date:

Tuesday July 8, 2008

Time:

7:00 pm - 8:30 pm

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# 518. Actual Maps to Sandy Springs City Hall

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2008-07-06 19:16:36 UTC
From: Lee Juckett
Topic: 518  Message: 518
Attachments: 2 described; binary payloads are missing from this source WARC

OK, everyone, I hate to send attachments that clog your inboxes, but the maps are now attached to this email.

If you have a GPS, the Lon/Lat coordinates for the correct
entrance are:
   N 33 degrees 58.306 seconds
   West 084 degrees 21.610 seconds
No excuses for not finding the meeting at 7:00 PM on Tuesday July 8!

- Lee

# 519. Net Report for July 6, 2008

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2008-07-07 01:19:17 UTC
From: Lee Juckett
Topic: 519  Message: 519

We had 15 check-in's for tonight's North Fulton County ARES net:

1.  K4HBI-Mike, Norcross
2.  AF4FO-Susan, Norcross
3.  W4UOC-Tom, Sandy Springs
4.  KI4MDU-Tom, Paulding County
5.  KD4NKE-Shelia, Sandy Springs
6.  K4JYJI-Bill, East Cobb
7.  W4QO-Jim, Roswell
8.  N4SEC-Jim, Alpharetta
9.  K4YJJ-Bill, Sandy Springs
10.  KD9RU-Dave, Milton
11.  W4VRX-Jimmy, Roswell
12.  WB4MAK-Mack, Roswell
13.  KI4GHT-Bob, Alpharetta
14.  KU4MT-Dave, Roswell
15.  AF4IA, Lee, Sandy Springs, Net Control Station

Tom W4UOC reminded everyone of the North Fulton ARES meeting this coming Tuesday night at 7:00 at Sandy Springs City Hall.  This is in the Morgan Falls business park, on Roswell Road just north of Morgan Falls Road.  Shelia KD4NKE has graciously offered to provide talk-in if you have trouble finding the site.

Tom also invited everyone to meet for dinner at Tijuana Joe's, a Mexican restaurant just north of City Hall.

73 to all,
- Lee, AF4IA

# 520. 2M J pole break away

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2008-07-10 19:46:21 UTC
From: Jim Stafford
Topic: 520  Message: 520

KB9VBR has this neat Break Away J-pole I just saw on a QRZ.com ad.

Looks somewhat like the one Tom showed on TUE at the meeting.

http://jpole-antenna.com/products.php#breakaway

Witht the price of copper pipe at over a buck a foot, this would seem to be a very reasonable price. He has many others on his website:

http://jpole-antenna.com/jpole.php

Jim/w4qo

# 521. North Fulton ARES Net, 7/13/2008, 8:30 pm

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2008-07-11 00:25:22 UTC
From: nfares@yahoogroups.com
Topic: 521  Message: 521

Reminder from: nfares Yahoo! Group
http://groups.yahoo.com/group/nfares/cal

North Fulton ARES Net
Sunday July 13, 2008
8:30 pm - 9:30 pm
(This event repeats every week.)
(The next reminder for this event will be sent in 2 days, 4 minutes.)
Location: 147.060 MHz (plus 600kHz) PL 100.0. Backup is 145.470 MHz (minus 600 kHz) PL 100.0

Notes:
Please remember that both repeaters now require a PL tone of 100.0 Hz

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# 522. When Commercial Networks Fail

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2008-07-11 20:00:05 UTC
From: w4uoc@aol.com
Topic: 522  Message: 522

_Click here: PC World - When Networks Fail, Hams to the Rescue_
(http://www.pcworld.com/article/148040/when_networks_fail_hams_to_the_rescue.html)

**********Get the scoop on last night's hottest shows and the live music scene in your area - Check out TourTracker.com!
(http://www.tourtracker.com?NCID=aolmus00050000000112)

# 523. North Fulton ARES Net, 7/13/2008, 8:30 pm

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2008-07-13 00:25:16 UTC
From: nfares@yahoogroups.com
Topic: 521  Message: 523

Reminder from: nfares Yahoo! Group
http://groups.yahoo.com/group/nfares/cal

North Fulton ARES Net
Sunday July 13, 2008
8:30 pm - 9:30 pm
(This event repeats every week.)
Location: 147.060 MHz (plus 600kHz) PL 100.0. Backup is 145.470 MHz (minus 600 kHz) PL 100.0

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# 524. N.F. ARES Net Results 7/13/08

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2008-07-16 01:42:18 UTC
From: Bret Arnold
Topic: 524  Message: 524

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North Fulton ARES Net 7/13/2008
15 Check ins 8:30-8:39 EDT
KI4MDU - TOM
KC4YBO - STEVE
N4SEC - JIM
KD4NKE - SHELIA
KD9RU - DAVE
WB4MAK - MACK
WX4JMS - JOHN
KJ4BWO - DAVE
W4VRX - JIMMY
KJ6ERP - ERIC
AF4FO - SUSAN
K4HBI - MIKE
K4YJI - BILL
KI4GHT - BOB
N4BTA - N4BTA :ncs
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# 525. North Fulton ARES Net, 7/20/2008, 8:30 pm

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2008-07-18 00:25:20 UTC
From: nfares@yahoogroups.com
Topic: 525  Message: 525

Reminder from: nfares Yahoo! Group
http://groups.yahoo.com/group/nfares/cal

North Fulton ARES Net
Sunday July 20, 2008
8:30 pm - 9:30 pm
(This event repeats every week.)
(The next reminder for this event will be sent in 2 days, 4 minutes.)
Location: 147.060 MHz (plus 600kHz) PL 100.0. Backup is 145.470 MHz (minus 600 kHz) PL 100.0

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# 526. ARES E-Letter July 18, 2008

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2008-07-19 13:47:25 UTC
From: w4uoc@aol.com
Topic: 526  Message: 526

The ARES E-Letter
July 18, 2008
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Rick Palm, K1CE, Editor

<http://www.qrz.com/database?callsign=K1CE>,

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ARES reports, other related contributions, editorial questions or
comments: <k1ce@...>;;
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+ ARRL Tells Red Cross of Remaining Background Check Policy Concerns

ARRL President Joel Harrison, W5ZN, has written to Armond T. Mascelli, Vice President for Domestic Disaster response for the American Red Cross (ARC), to identify the ARRL's remaining concerns over the background check policy for ARC partners. Harrison emphasized that the commencement of negotiation of a replacement Statement of Understanding (SOU) between the two organizations should not be further delayed while these concerns are resolved, and that he looked forward to signing a new SOU once additional edits to the background check Disclosure Form and clarifications of the background check Authorization Form are in place for those radio amateurs who volunteer their service to the Red Cross.

Harrison first wrote to Mascelli on November 28, 2007, setting out the ARRL's concerns with the background check procedures recently implemented by the ARC. ARC now requires a background check for amateur radio volunteers seeking to support a Red Cross disaster relief response for more than a seven day period. In the ARRL's view, amateur radio volunteers were being asked to consent to a more intrusive background check than was necessary or appropriate.

Mascelli's reply on May 8, 2008, addressed some of the ARRL's concerns, and Harrison's latest letter to the ARC - sent on June 30, 2008 - recognizes considerable improvement in the forms related to the background check procedures that are linked via the ARC's Web site. However, Harrison also states that analysis of the forms has revealed two continuing problems:

* The Authorization for Background Investigation consent form still contains "some highly equivocal and broad language which, because of its ambiguity, will inevitably discourage substantial numbers of radio amateurs from participating in the background check process." This form was not included with Mascelli's reply and was not seen by

the ARRL until later.

* The "Disclosure Regarding Background Investigation" can still be construed as overly broad, although this can be corrected by fairly simple edits.

Harrison told Mascelli, "We do not want the implementation of these additional changes to further delay the negotiation of the terms of a replacement SOU. A new SOU is, in my view, a critical and urgent matter. Because the old SOU expired on September 16, 2007, the vacuum thereafter has served neither ARRL nor ARC well." ARRL and ARC staff are ready to work on a draft replacement SOU, the text of which will be reviewed by the ARRL's Programs and Services Committee and approved by either the Executive Committee or the Board prior to completion.

Harrison concluded, "We look forward to continuing to provide seamless disaster response communications by Amateur Radio and to enhancing and expanding ARRL's proud partnership with the American Red Cross. I look forward to meeting with you and executing the new SOU once additional edits to the Disclosure Form, and adequate clarifications are included in the Authorization Form that appears on your web site for partner organizations are made, and when the new SOU terms are agreed upon."

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+ IN HIS OWN WORDS: Sacramento Valley SM W6KJ on California Fire Disaster

When we look back on June 2008, we will remember it as a month when Amateur Radio looked good in California. Here in the Sacramento Valley Section, a dedicated group of volunteers worked at Red Cross shelters and stations, supported domestic animal rescue operations, and sought other ways to help their communities.

It started with too little rainfall over the winter. Then early in the month came the hot, dry winds. SEC Richard Cloyd, WO6P, put the Section ARES leadership on Stand By Alert. A careless woodcutting operation apparently sparked a fire that eventually consumed 24,000 acres. At mid-month our wild lands, so full of tinder dry fuel, began to burn. First threatened was the city of Paradise. That emergency lasted several days. A problem for Paradise is the lack of evacuation routes. When it was safe to go home, people did, but with a new appreciation for the need for better evacuation plans.

The high winds were gone, but then we had dry thunderstorms, dropping very little rain but lots of lightning strikes. First we heard of 400, then 800, then over 1000 wild land fires. People in other mountain communities were advised, then directed, to evacuate their homes and seek shelters set up by the Red Cross.

In Butte County, EC Steve Kaps, N6NPN, opened the ARES net on the Golden Empire ARS W6RHC repeater. As with the first fire, it was Chuck Orgovan, KF6YKQ, and Anna Horn, KG6ZOA, of Paradise, who manned the Spring Valley school shelter. The first shelter operation revealed that the coverage of the W6RHC repeater was not good in the shelter area. But, by relaying the communications between Spring Valley and NCS Steve, N6NPN via the Sutter County WD6AXM repeater, we were able to make things work. A better antenna at the shelter seemed to help for a while, but eventually operations shifted entirely to the WD6AXM machine.

Shelters in other areas of the section were being opened, and SEC WO6P relayed that information to me. I informed Red Cross in Yuba City. Within minutes they realized they did not know where and when these other shelters were opening. We then opened the KG6WGQ station at Three Rivers Chapter of the American Red Cross in Yuba City so that we had a better chance of communicating with multiple outlying shelters. The station was to be open when the ARC response group was operating. That meant shifts, so we went to three five-hour shifts per day for a week. At one point, Ken Miller, KF6JRE, volunteered to take a shift in Yuba City from his home in West Sacramento. We were able to pass Red Cross requirements so that opening shelters would send their information to the various people who needed it.

Shift scheduling was handled by Paul Johnson, N6XVL, of Olivehurst, who came up with a list of volunteers to man all the shifts for this week of Red Cross operation. We were in the process of scheduling relief for Butte County operators when, on Friday night, June 27, Red Cross decided to move from Yuba City to Chico to better use the resources they had in place there. At that point, further net operation by ARES was not needed and so was suspended for the weekend.

Fire suppression efforts were making headway, and on Monday morning, June 30, most of the sheltered population was allowed to return home. Tired operators and malfunctioning equipment got a much-needed rest.

On Sunday, June 29, Yuba/Sutter EC Art Craigmill, K6ALC, of Oregon House, heard a fire call on his scanner. The location was nearby so he gathered his equipment and went to check on the situation. He was able to direct traffic for a while to move curious motorists on their way. He heard that a nearby resident was worried so he went to reassure her. The grass fire was being controlled. On his way there he saw another fire. He notified the incident commander, and then took action to stop the spread of this new fire, which was at a home construction site. The home had water pressure and this aided Art in his fire-fighting efforts until the engine company arrived to put it out.

Throughout the Section and beyond, smoke from wild land fires made the air dangerously contaminated with particulate matter. Various satellite imagery and news photos were available to emphasize this point. The air stank of smoke and things burned.

With air quality values as bad as we have seen them in 25 years, many clubs in the section had to cancel their Field Day operations. First to do so was the Nevada County ARC. Not only did they not get to do Field Day, but their site at the Nevada County Fairgrounds was used as a fire fighting staging area. Oroville ARS had many operators involved in the shelter operation, and Bill Cross, K6DYT, was volunteering as an animal shelter worker. Virginia Paschke, KI6COL, also deployed to Butte County from her home in Sutter County to help at the animal shelter. Ginny got her license last year for this very reason. The domestic animal rescue group provides assurance for people who need to evacuate that they can do so without leaving their pets behind. It speeds the evacuation process and keeps people from getting into more dangerous situations.

Finally, Chico's GEARS, and Yuba Sutter's YSARC also decided that the air contamination was too severe for Field Day and they cancelled also. Both clubs had many members who manned ARES shifts during this emergency.

Assistant Section Manager for Youth, Curtis Maccoun, KI6ESK, reported smoky conditions in the Nevada area east of the Mother Lode DX Club Field Day location on Martis Peak with ten operators. Most of the places operating this weekend would see a slight clearing of the thick smoke that plagued more northern locations. It was a reminder that fires remain burning-nearly 2000 as this is written-and that we should all remain ready for the next phase of this emergency. -- Ron Murdock, W6KJ, ARRL Sacramento Valley Section Manager

+ Minnesota Tornadoes Response

The Southwest Minnesota ARES Team responded to a June 11 storm front, which moved through southwest Minnesota bringing wind and two tornadoes. The tornadoes touched down in and around Fulda. The ARES group is comprised of local county ARES teams from Murray, Cottonwood, Nobles, and Jackson counties. Southwest Minnesota District 5 EC Dan Anderson, KD0ASX, was spotting along with nine ARES

members during the severe weather with direct communications to the Murray County Sheriff's department. Provided were real time reports and accurate information on storm events and what was happening in the area. The Sheriff's department commented on how the ARES team was a real service to the community in spotting for severe weather that day.

Two newspapers cited the team, which is SKYWARN trained. Due to its communications and training, the local Murray County Medical Center hospital was able to make decisions on what to do with their patients and securing the hospital from the severe weather. This was done by having one of the nurses on duty (holder of a Technician class license) monitoring team communications on the 2-meter repeater located in Slayton, Minnesota, using her hand-held radio. She stated that the ARES team had provided faster up to date information than the local radio or TV stations from Sioux Falls, South Dakota, could provide. -- Kevin Haney, KC0YKX, NREMT-B, Murray County, Minnesota Emergency Coordinator <http://www.MurrayCountyARES.org>

+ GAREC-2008 Assembly Issues Statement, Congratulates Chinese

The fourth Global Amateur Radio Emergency Communications Conference, GAREC-2008, was held with the 33rd HamRadio exhibition and meeting in Friedrichshafen, Germany, June 26-27, 2008. It was attended by representatives of national IARU member societies and Amateur Radio emergency communications groups from all three IARU Regions.

The group reviewed the results of the GAREC-05, GAREC-06 and GAREC-07 meetings, noting progress made on their recommendations, and also assessed recent experiences with exercises and actual emergency operations. It noted the new MOU between the IARU and the ITU in 2007 (The International Telecommunication Union (ITU), the telecomms-regulatory branch of the UN, and the International Amateur Radio Union (IARU), which is the international NGO whose objective is to protect, promote and advance Amateur and Amateur-Satellite Services, signed the Memorandum of Understanding in Geneva in December 2007). The IARU and ITU have already cooperated on running training courses for both radio amateurs and telecommunications regulators. This agreement paves the way for more training courses across the globe, and the parties will engage in joint projects and activities, sharing information on emergency telecommunications.

The assembly also noted the IARU and the International Federation of Red Cross and Red Crescent Societies (IFRC) agreement of 2008 <http://www.ifrc.org/docs/news/speech08/hp270608.asp>, and the Operational Agreement between the IARU and the United Nations (UN) in force since 1999.

The assembly reviewed the reports on the Simulated Emergency Tests (SET) held in Region 1 in 2006 and 2007 and of the first Global SET held in May 2008, and the reports on recent emergency communications operations, in particular the report from the Chinese Radio Sports

Association (CRSA), and the Declaration of the Global Forum on Effective Use of Telecommunications/ICT for Disaster Management: Saving Lives (Geneva, Switzerland, December 10-12, 2007) <http://www.itu.int/ITU-D/emergencytelecoms/events/global_forum/partnershipstyle2.html>.

The group formally asked the ITU to support the activities of IARU and of countries in the implementation of the emcomm modifications of Article 25 of the international Radio Regulations. (The part of Article 25 concerning Emergency Communications says "Amateur stations may be used for transmitting international communications on behalf of third parties only in case of emergencies or disaster relief. An administration may determine the applicability of this provision to amateur stations under its jurisdiction" (RR 25.3), and "Administrations are encouraged to take the necessary steps to allow amateur stations to prepare for and meet communication needs in support of disaster relief" (RR 25.9A).

GAREC-08 conferees called on all national IARU member societies, including ARRL, and specialized amateur radio emergency communications groups to take action on the following:

* Ensure that their government authorities (like the FCC here in the U.S.) implement the modifications to Article 25 discussed above, in particular the regulations governing third-party-traffic during emergencies and during training for emergency operations.

* Promote the concept of the Center of Activity frequencies for emergency traffic and the recommendation concerning use of the suffix "/D" by stations engaged in emergency traffic or emergency communication exercises.

* To use any available real-time communications channels, including but not limited to Web sites, bulletin boards and DX-clusters to draw the attention of the largest possible number of Amateur Radio operators to on-going emergency communications near the Center of Activity Frequencies, in order to prevent interference with such traffic.

* To include where possible into their contest rules the recommendation that a frequency range of 5 kHz above and below the Center of Activity frequencies adopted by the conferences in the three ITU (IARU) Regions should be kept free of contest traffic.

* To use their contacts with national regulatory authorities to encourage the implementation of the Tampere Convention on the Provision of Telecommunication Resources for Disaster Mitigation and Relief Operations. See <http://www.iaru.org/emergency/tc-hams.html>

* To support the work of the IARU on an international Emergency Communications Handbook and to provide copies of agreements with partners (served agencies) in emergency response as well as copies of

emergency communication guidelines, manuals, and checklists developed for national or local use as inputs to this work.

* To make optimum use of resources available from IARU member societies and specialized groups towards a favorable national regulatory environment.

* To work towards establishing cooperation with the Red Cross and Red Crescent societies.
<http://www.ifrc.org/docs/news/speech08/hp270608.asp>

The assembly also congratulated the Chinese Radio Sports Association (CRSA) on the outstanding contribution of Chinese Amateur Radio operators in support of the humanitarian response to the tragic events of May 2008.

It called upon the IARU Administrative Council and International Secretariat to advise and assist in the work on the IARU Emergency Communications Handbook, and the publication of a leaflet or brochure presenting the role of the Amateur Radio Service in emergency communications.

And finally, the group recommended that annual GAREC conferences should rotate among the three ITU (IARU) Regions and maintain the character of GAREC as an informal meeting among representatives of IARU member societies and of Amateur Radio groups specializing in emergency communications, serving as a forum for the exchange of experience and as an advisory body for the work on emergency communications of the IARU.

+ World Amateur Radio Day 2009 to Showcase EmComm

The Administrative Council (AC) of the IARU held its annual meeting on June 24-25 in Konstanz, Germany and took the following action: "Amateur Radio: Your Resource in Disaster and Emergency Communication" was selected as the theme for the next World Amateur Radio Day, April 18, 2009. [Each year on the anniversary of its founding, April 18, the IARU marks World Amateur Radio Day. On this day next year, the anniversary of its inaugural meeting in Paris, the IARU dedicates World Amateur Radio Day to the use of Amateur Radio as a valuable emcomm resource].

+ Region 2 EMCOR Changes Hands

IARU Region 2 President Reinaldo Leandro, YV5AMH, has appointed Dr Cesar Pio Santos A., HR2P, of San Pedro Sula, Honduras, as IARU Region 2 Emergency Communications Coordinator; Santos will be taking over from Rick Palm, K1CE. According to Leandro, Santos is a well-known emergency expert in the region who helped to provide emergency communications and medical relief in Honduras in the wake of Hurricane Mitch. He remains active as a volunteer in his country's governmental emergency communications institution and as a member of

the Emergency Communications Advisory Group (ECAG) for Area D (Central America) in IARU Region 2.

[It was my pleasure and privilege to work with Dr. Santos, who was one of the finest and most regular contributors to the work of the Region's Emergency Communications Advisory Group. He will serve as an excellent role model and leader for Region 2 emcomm initiatives. - K1CE]

+The NEW Era Begins Now!

A historic document went into effect 11:30 AM on Thursday, July 3, 2008, when Michael M. Cline, State Coordinator, Commonwealth of Virginia Department of Emergency Management (VDEM), A. C. "Mac" McNeer, K4YEF, State RACES Officer, and Virginia ARRL Section Manager (SM) Carl A. Clements, W4CAC, and Section Emergency Coordinator (SEC) Ronald M. Sokol, K4KHZ, signed the Memorandum of Understanding between VDEM and VA Section ARRL at the Virginia Emergency Operations Center in Richmond. "It was a lot of work completed by a lot of people that made this significant event happen," stated SM Clements, "and we will continue to work together with emergency managers across the Commonwealth in support of their emergency communications needs in service to the citizens and guests in Virginia."

SEC Ron Sokol was extremely pleased that the signing of the document has come to fruition. He stated " The restoration of this MOU has taken a succession of ARES Administrations to accomplish. Both Carl and I are pleased to be in leadership at this time to see this MOU to conclusion. We are fortunate to have such viable and flexible VDEM leadership and staff with which to work. A special thanks to Terry Hebert, KG4GLS, of VDEM, for his tireless efforts of assisting in the accomplishment of this task. This document allows ARES/RACES to be as ONE in the best interests of the citizens of the Commonwealth of Virginia." Joe Safranek, K4JJS, PIC, VA Section ARRL

+ LETTERS: Current JNOS Version and Development

I saw the item in the June issue about JNOS and followed the link included: The author's page had available an old version of the program with no links to the current effort. Maiko Langelaar, VE4KLM, has picked up JNOS after version 1.11f and has done a great job of keeping it current. His site for JNOS 2 is <http://www.langelaar.net/projects/jnos2/>, which includes current documentation and installation downloads. JNOS is strongly present in the Michigan state-wide packet network. -- Clark Wierda, N8CBW <n8cbw@...>

+ LETTERS: ESF-15

In re the item in the last issue about ESF-15 in Palm Beach County: Volunteer Reception Centers (VRC) focus on unaffiliated volunteers. These are the people that are not registered nor involved in some

type of established volunteer program.

After a disaster, a large number of volunteers want to help. Some drive across town, while others drive across the country. In Polk County during the 2004 Hurricane Season, our VRC was operational for about nine weeks. -- Paul Womble, K4FB, Polk County (Florida) Emergency Management <pwomble@...>

I was the state chair for Massachusetts VOAD (Voluntary Organizations Active in Disaster) for several years until 2003. MAVOAD was the lead agency for ESF-15. MAVOAD was positioned as a group coordinating the activities of its member agencies, but had no way to actually direct their efforts in carrying out the tasks of ESF-15.

Each member agency recruited, qualified and trained its own volunteers. Each found its own funding, particularly in disasters, and there was little, if any, sharing of resources. There were from time to time cooperative actions between agencies in specific disaster responses.

The MAVOAD roster included local representatives of national and local agencies active in disaster. I also represented ARRL/ARES. Within the MAVOAD structure, disaster responses rarely required a subordinated communications support but we were ready.

I do understand the rationale for each agency to qualify and train its own volunteers, especially now with heightened security. However well-intentioned, volunteers cannot be accepted off the street, especially hams, but even shelter workers.

ESF-15 deals with volunteers and donations, and management of the latter is crucial. Every disaster explodes with material donations that were not requested but offered and/or delivered anyway. Generous individuals believe certain items are "needed" and they just want to know where to deliver them. Manufacturers, distributors and retailers also use the occasion to dump goods regardless of need in the disaster. I suggest looking into the FEMA courses on donation management. For ESF-15 members the value goes well beyond its title. - Bob Salow, WA1IDA, Natick, Massachusetts <wa1ida@...>

[For an understanding of VOADs, see <http://www.nvoad.org>; ARRL is a NVOAD member. For a complete look at all Emergency Support Functions (ESF) under the new National Response Framework, see <http://www.fema.gov/emergency/nrf/> -- ed].

+ LETTERS: No Ham Left Behind

I have to agree with the "No Ham Left Behind" comment in the last issue by Paul W. Plack, AE4KR, Murray, Utah. Over the years I've seen far too many Amateur Radio operators with a holier-than-thou attitude that discourages the new generation of hams. It is long past time that we start supporting one another more. -- Ed Humphries, N5RCK,

Powder Springs, Georgia

+ TRAINING: Git 'R Done!

In its 2007 report to the ARRL Board of Directors, the League's National Emergency Response Planning Committee (NERPC) recommended that several courses be taken by emcomm operators:

* ARRL's ARECC Level 1 <http://www.arrl.org/cep/calendar/>

Description: Introduction to Amateur Radio Emergency Communications. A basic course to raise awareness and provide additional knowledge and tools for any emergency communications volunteer. This course has 23 lesson units, is expected to take approximately 25 hours to complete over an 8-week period. Senior hams are encouraged to participate! Prerequisites: Amateur Radio license. Basic computer, Internet, and email navigational skills are required. Availability: Classes for this course begin once per month. Additional Information: Each lesson consists of text, quiz questions, and Student Activities, which are required for successful completion. Every student is assigned a mentor/instructor to review his/her student activities and guide him/her through the course. This course is a prerequisite to Level 2, EC-002 and Level 3, EC-003, Amateur Radio Emergency Communications courses. Students have the option of printing course information and reading offline. A printed transcript of course material is available as an option and for additional cost. Amateur Radio Emergency Communications Course, ARRL Order No. 8462. Suggested Reference Material: The Emergency Communication Handbook, ARRL Order No. 9388. Non-Member Cost: $75.00 ARRL Member Cost: $45.00

* Red Cross combined course in Adult CPR/First Aid Basics
* Red Cross online Introduction to Disaster Services
See <http://www.redcross.org/flash/course01_v01/> for information on theses courses.

* FEMA IS-100 (Introduction to Incident Command System)
See <http://training.fema.gov/emiweb/is/is100.asp>
* FEMA IS-200 (ICS for Single Resource and Initial Action Incidents)
See <http://training.fema.gov/emiweb/is/is200.asp>
* FEMA IS-700 (National Incident Management System)
See <http://training.fema.gov/emiweb/is/is700.asp>

Except for the first two, all courses are free of charge, and CPR/First Aid may be free to members of the Red Cross. CPR/First Aid is the only course that requires periodic refreshers and the only course which must be taken in person rather than on the Internet. The NERPC decided that medical professionals should be exempted from the CPR/First Aid course requirement. Where FEMA courses exist in more than one current version - aimed at somewhat different audiences - any of the currently-available versions will suffice.

[As a medical professional, I also highly recommend The American Heart Association (AHA) Basic Life Support (BLS), and Advanced Cardiac Life Support (ACLS) courses, both of which I've taken several times over the past few years - K1CE}

If you are real glutton for training, see <http://training.fema.gov/> for many more high-quality courses that will make you an even more valuable volunteer.

+ K1CE For A Final

In the near future, the ARES E-Letter will be changing to an HTML format that will allow us to publish your ARES photos, so please send good quality .jpg files to your editor <k1ce@...>. Keep the size to well under a meg, please! For an idea of what the ARES E-Letter will look like, see the Contest Update e-letter, edited by Ward Silver, N0AX, on the archives at the League's Web site <http://www.arrl.org/contests/update/index.html?issue=2008-07-09>.

See you next month! 73, Rick

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# 527. ARRL A.R.E.S. Letter

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2008-07-19 23:06:56 UTC
From: Jim Stafford
Topic: 527  Message: 527

Some of you may not be aware of this occasional letter from ARRL. Here is the latest edition. Earlier issues are available there. You may also subscribe to it over on your profile page.

http://www.arrl.org/FandES/field/ares-el/index.html?issue=2008-07-18

jim/w4qo

# 528. North Fulton ARES Net, 7/20/2008, 8:30 pm

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2008-07-20 00:25:15 UTC
From: nfares@yahoogroups.com
Topic: 525  Message: 528

Reminder from: nfares Yahoo! Group
http://groups.yahoo.com/group/nfares/cal

North Fulton ARES Net
Sunday July 20, 2008
8:30 pm - 9:30 pm
(This event repeats every week.)
Location: 147.060 MHz (plus 600kHz) PL 100.0. Backup is 145.470 MHz (minus 600 kHz) PL 100.0

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# 529. North Fulton ARES Net, 7/27/2008, 8:30 pm

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2008-07-27 00:25:19 UTC
From: nfares@yahoogroups.com
Topic: 529  Message: 529

Reminder from: nfares Yahoo! Group
http://groups.yahoo.com/group/nfares/cal

North Fulton ARES Net
Sunday July 27, 2008
8:30 pm - 9:30 pm
(This event repeats every week.)
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# 530. North Fulton ARES Net Report - July 27, 2008

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2008-07-28 00:56:04 UTC
From: Lee Juckett
Topic: 530  Message: 530

We had 8 check-in's for this evening's net:

1. N4SEC-Jim, Alpharetta
2. K4YJI-Bill, East Cobb
3. W4VRX-Jimmy, Roswell
4. W4QO-Jim-Roswell
5. KU4MT-Dave, Roswell
6. KD9RU-Dave, Milton
7. KJ4HE-Walt, Marietta
8. AF4IA-Lee, Sandy Springs, NCO

Short net.  Three Jim's. Two Dave's. Three others.

If you got this email (and most of you did, HI HI), remember to set your alarm for 8:30 PM next Sunday night, when your humble NCO will again greet you.

Net concluded at 8:42 PM local time.

73,
- Lee, AF4IA

# 531. Please Help Update the Greater Atlanta Net List

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2008-07-28 01:36:35 UTC
From: mccormick_mack
Topic: 531  Message: 531

Please review the latest Greater Atlanta Net list at
http://public.me.com/mccormick_mack
<http://public.me.com/mccormick_mack> and send any corrections to
mccormick_mack@... <mailto:mccormick_mack@...> .

Thank you in advance for your efforts to keep our Greater Atlanta Net
list updated.

73,

Mack

WB4MAK

# 532. Ellijay Hamfest

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2008-07-30 12:01:06 UTC
From: w4uoc@aol.com
Topic: 532  Message: 532

This is to remind you that the Ellijay Ham Fest, sponsored by the Ellijay Amateur Radio Society (EARS) is coming up on Saturday, August 9, 2007. It's "Biggest Little Ham Fest in Georgia."

This year, for the first time, we will regretfully be charging $5.00 admission to the ham fest. The good news is that this fee includes two tickets, one for our General Prizes including some great ARRL publications, and one ticket for our Grand Prizes which will be drawn for later in the ham fest day. Inside tables are still FREE (limited number) and the tailgate spaces are FREE (including under the Pavilion).

What more can you ask for?

SETUP: Indoor: Friday Aug. 8, 6PM - 9PM; Saturday, Aug. 9, from 6AM
Tailgate and Covered Pavilion: Sat., Aug 9, from 6AM

GENERAL ADMISSION: Gates open 7AM - 2PM

MORNING COFFEE: 50¢ Donation per cup; DONUTS 50¢ Donation EACH (While they last).

LUNCH: Bar-B-Que Lunch will be available on site provided by Georgia Smoke & Spice. Excellent Bar-B-Que!

Upon arrival, we ask that each attendee bring their tickets to the inside registration table. Since you don't have to be present to win our prizes, we'll need your call sign and a contact telephone number. You can obtain additional Grand Prize tickets at the registration table by making a donation to the club. The larger your donation, the more ticket you receive. Ticket donations are as follows: 1 for $1, 4 for $3, 7 for $5, 15 for $10, 25 for $15 or 30 for $20

This year, our prizes include:
4th Prize - Vanco SWR-1 SWR / Field Strength Meter 3rd Prize - WT-5120 Atomic Projection Clock & WX Station 2nd Prize - Yaesu FT60R (Dual Band HT) 1st Prize - Yaesu FT7800R (Dual-Band Mobile)

The ham fest will be held in the Ellijay Lion's Club facility (same as last year) located at 1729 S. Main St (Old Hwy 5 South), Ellijay, GA. We will have signs around town to direct you. Our TALK-IN: 145.170 (-600 kHz; PL 100 Hz)

FREE INDOOR TABLES - (Limited Number)
Reserve on First Come-First Served Basis Contact Sam, k4swu@...,
Phone 706-276-4877 QUESTIONS about the ham fest, contact Sam at the above email address or telephone number.

RV HOOKUPS (limited number), Contact Sam at the above email address or telephone number.

Bring your own tables for tail-gate or outdoor pavilion set up

Amateur Radio License Exams at 11:00 am, Saturday, August 9.

HOPE TO SEE YOU ALL THERE!!!

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(http://www.fanhouse.com/fantasyaffair?ncid=aolspr00050000000020)

# 533. North Fulton ARES Net, 8/3/2008, 8:30 pm

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2008-08-01 00:25:22 UTC
From: nfares@yahoogroups.com
Topic: 533  Message: 533

Reminder from: nfares Yahoo! Group
http://groups.yahoo.com/group/nfares/cal

North Fulton ARES Net
Sunday August 3, 2008
8:30 pm - 9:30 pm
(This event repeats every week.)
(The next reminder for this event will be sent in 2 days, 4 minutes.)
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# 534. North Fulton ARES Net, 8/3/2008, 8:30 pm

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2008-08-03 00:25:19 UTC
From: nfares@yahoogroups.com
Topic: 533  Message: 534

Reminder from: nfares Yahoo! Group
http://groups.yahoo.com/group/nfares/cal

North Fulton ARES Net
Sunday August 3, 2008
8:30 pm - 9:30 pm
(This event repeats every week.)
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# 535. Greater Atlanta Net List

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2008-08-04 21:28:20 UTC
From: mccormick_mack
Topic: 535  Message: 535

I've updated the Greater Atlanta Net List. The latest version can always be downloaded at http://public.me.com/mccormick_mack <http://public.me.com/mccormick_mack> . Thank you to everyone who sent me updates.

73,

Mack

WB4MAK

# 536. North Fulton County ARES Meeting, 8/12/2008, 7:00 pm

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2008-08-05 22:57:54 UTC
From: nfares@yahoogroups.com
Topic: 536  Message: 536

Reminder from: nfares Yahoo! Group
http://groups.yahoo.com/group/nfares/cal

North Fulton County ARES Meeting
Tuesday August 12, 2008
7:00 pm - 8:30 pm
(This event repeats every month on the second Tuesday.)
(The next reminder for this event will be sent in 4 days, 2 minutes.)
Location: Sandy Springs City Council Chambers
Street: Morgan Falls Office Park, 7840 Roswell Road Building 500
City State Zip: Sandy Springs, GA 30350

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# 537. North Fulton ARES Net, 8/10/2008, 8:30 pm

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2008-08-08 00:25:22 UTC
From: nfares@yahoogroups.com
Topic: 537  Message: 537

Reminder from: nfares Yahoo! Group
http://groups.yahoo.com/group/nfares/cal

North Fulton ARES Net
Sunday August 10, 2008
8:30 pm - 9:30 pm
(This event repeats every week.)
(The next reminder for this event will be sent in 2 days, 4 minutes.)
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# 538. North Fulton County ARES Meeting, 8/12/2008, 7:00 pm

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2008-08-09 22:57:06 UTC
From: nfares@yahoogroups.com
Topic: 536  Message: 538

Reminder from: nfares Yahoo! Group
http://groups.yahoo.com/group/nfares/cal

North Fulton County ARES Meeting
Tuesday August 12, 2008
7:00 pm - 8:30 pm
(This event repeats every month on the second Tuesday.)
Location: Sandy Springs City Council Chambers
Street: Morgan Falls Office Park, 7840 Roswell Road Building 500
City State Zip: Sandy Springs, GA 30350

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# 539. North Fulton ARES Net, 8/10/2008, 8:30 pm

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2008-08-10 00:25:20 UTC
From: nfares@yahoogroups.com
Topic: 537  Message: 539

Reminder from: nfares Yahoo! Group
http://groups.yahoo.com/group/nfares/cal

North Fulton ARES Net
Sunday August 10, 2008
8:30 pm - 9:30 pm
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# 540. North Fulton ARES Net Report, August 19, 2008

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2008-08-11 01:09:12 UTC
From: Lee Juckett
Topic: 540  Message: 540

We had 7 check-in's during tonight's NFARES net:

1. W4VRX-Jimmy
2. K4YJI-Bill
3. KD4NKE-Shelia
4. N4SEC-Jim
5. KJ4BWO-Dave
6. WB4MAK-Mack
7. AF4IA-Lee, NCS

Announcements:

1.  Our next NFARES meeting is this coming Tuesday, August 12 at 7:00 PM in the Sandy Springs City Council Chambers.  The location is in the Morgan Falls office park at 7840 Morgan Falls Road, Sandy Springs, GA, which is just north of the intersection of Morgan Falls Road and Roswell Road.  If you are coming south, it is on the right just past Tijuana Joe's and the QT service station.

If you have a GPS receiver, set it to N 33 degrees 58.306 seconds by W 084 degrees 21.610 seconds.

Shelia, KD4NKE, has graciously offered to provide talk-in on the 147.060 NFARL repeater for those of you who have not yet visited our new meeting location.

Several of us will meet for dinner at 6:00 PM at Tijuana Joe's, which is just north of the meeting location on Roswell Road.

2.  Mack WB4MAK reminded us that the next North Fulton Amateur Radio League meeting will be at 7:30 PM on Tuesday August 19 at the brand new location at the Masonic Lodge at 194 Milton Avenue in Alpharetta.  This location is across the street from the old Milton High School in Alpharetta.

The net concluded at 8:41 PM local time.

73,
- Lee, AF4IA

# 541. Check out BBC NEWS | UK | England | Morse code alive and well

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2008-08-13 11:45:30 UTC
From: w4uoc@aol.com
Topic: 541  Message: 541
Attachments: 1 described; binary payloads are missing from this source WARC

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_Click here: BBC NEWS | UK | England | Morse code alive and well_
(http://news.bbc.co.uk/2/hi/uk_news/england/7544147.stm)

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Looking for a car that's sporty, fun and fits in your budget? _Read reviews
on AOL Autos_
(http://autos.aol.com/cars-BMW-128-2008/expert-review?ncid=aolaut00050000000017) .

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Read reviews on AOL Autos.
(http://autos.aol.com/cars-BMW-128-2008/expert-review?ncid=aolaut00050000000017 )

# 542. Posting a message to the NFARES Yahoo Group

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2008-08-13 23:06:30 UTC
From: Lee Juckett
Topic: 542  Message: 542

Shelia, as I mentioned last night, the best approach is to post your list of net check-ins on the Yahoo Group.

To do so, you need to send your email from your mindspring account, because that is what you registered on the Yahoo Group.

Sent the email to "nfares@yahoogroups.com" and that's it!  You should receive a copy from the group in a few minutes, unless you subscribe to a daily digest rather than individual emails.

Too easy!

73,
- Lee

# 543. NFARL eNEWS 2008-08

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2008-08-14 03:00:44 UTC
From: N4CLA2
Topic: 543  Message: 543

Good morning / afternoon / evening Ladies and Gentlemen,

Your copy of the NFARL eNEWS for April 2008 is NO LONGER attached to this email in PDF format. It is now available on the NFARL web site.

You can hot link to the eNEWS directly http://www.nfarl.org/enews/eNEWS_2008-08.pdf or

you can go to the NFARL web site http://www.nfarl.org/eNewsIndex.html

Don't forget the meeting August 19, 2008 @ 7:30 PM. That is the third Tuesday!

ALSO do not forget that we are NOT going to be at the Fire Station as in previous meetings. We will be meeting at our NEW location which is located at the

Masonic Lodge
194 Milton Avenue
Alpharetta, Georgia

Click http://tinyurl.com/5t7swd to see a map showing the location, and http://www.nfarl.org/masonicLodge.html to see Google's picture of the building.

This will be a very interesting meeting presented by Darrell Krueger on RF in the Railroad industry

Bring a friend and this time NO CHAIRS needed.

# 544. North Fulton ARES Net, 8/17/2008, 8:30 pm

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2008-08-15 00:25:32 UTC
From: nfares@yahoogroups.com
Topic: 544  Message: 544

Reminder from: nfares Yahoo! Group
http://groups.yahoo.com/group/nfares/cal

North Fulton ARES Net
Sunday August 17, 2008
8:30 pm - 9:30 pm
(This event repeats every week.)
(The next reminder for this event will be sent in 2 days, 4 minutes.)
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# 545. North Fulton ARES Net, 8/17/2008, 8:30 pm

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2008-08-17 00:25:13 UTC
From: nfares@yahoogroups.com
Topic: 544  Message: 545

Reminder from: nfares Yahoo! Group
http://groups.yahoo.com/group/nfares/cal

North Fulton ARES Net
Sunday August 17, 2008
8:30 pm - 9:30 pm
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# 546. North Fulton ARES Net Report, August 17, 2008

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2008-08-18 01:13:01 UTC
From: Lee Juckett
Topic: 546  Message: 546

We had 12 check in's for tonight's NFARES weekly net:
1. W4UOC, Tom
2. W4VRX, Jimmy
3. K4YJI, Bill
4. N4SEC, Jim
5. KD4NKE, Shelia
6. KU4MT, Dave
7. KD9RU, Dave
8. KI4GHT, Bob
9. N4CLA, Fred
10. W4QO, Jim
11. KI4QLF, Jason
12. AF4IA, Lee - NCS

W4UOC Tom asked us all to help recruit additional members.  Now that we are working effectively with so many North Fulton communities, we need additional operators to support any emergency situation.

KI4QLF Jason asked for ham radio volunteers to help with the upcoming 10K Classic. Volunteers get many perks for their service at this public service event.  For more information, you may call 770-424-9995 or go to http://www.wc4rav.org

The net closed at 8:47 pm local time.

73 to all,
- Lee, AF4IA

# 547. NFARL HOT FLASH email

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2008-08-19 00:07:08 UTC
From: N4CLA2
Topic: 547  Message: 547

NFARL Meeting at NEW location - 7:30PM

Don't forget that our meeting tomorrow Tuesday, August 19,
will be at our new location:

The Masonic Lodge Hall, 194 Milton Ave, Alpharetta
This is across from the old MILTON High School location.
Click here for map:

http://tinyurl.com/5t7swd

DO NOT bring a chair, we have plenty! And easy parking too!

DO come early (open: 6:45 PM) and enjoy hospitality and refreshments.

DO bring a book for the library and a DOOR PRIZE.

DO bring a SHOW and TELL item to show off, if you wish.

Check this link:

http://groups.yahoo.com/group/nfarl/message/3549

Check the website for more info:

http://nfarl.org/meetings.html

Dinner?? Alpha Soda (5:45 PM) - 11760 Haynes Bridge Road.
Alpharetta.

Talk in - 145.47 MHz PL 100

See you there.

W4QO/JIM

# 548. Public Service Volunteer Opportunities

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2008-08-20 03:16:28 UTC
From: Lee Juckett
Topic: 548  Message: 548

As I mentioned at the NFARL meeting tonight, there are several public service opportunites coming up.  Below are the details that were included in the handout I distributed.

73,
- Lee, AF4IA

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NFARL Volunteer Opportunities

September 1 (Labor Day) – US 10K Classic
· Hams provide course marshals, logistics support, and communications.
· Assignments include start line, 6 aid stations, 9 key intersections, medical operations, crisis management center, traffic management center, shuttle services, and finish line.
· Volunteers receive free T-shirt, snacks, and admission to White Water.
· Report at 5:30 am at the Advance Auto Parts store, 111 Cobb Parkway, Marietta. Talk-in on 145.490 PL 67.0
· For more information and to sign up, call 770-424-9995, email events@..., or go to www.events.wc4rav.org

October 17-18 and 24-25 – Chattahoochee Nature Center “Halloween Hikes”
· Hams provide communications and logistics support for this CNC fundraiser.
· Groups of families walk along a lighted trail and visit stations where costumed volunteers describe life as a box turtle, water droplet, black widow spider, and other creatures.  This is a great evening for your kids and grandkids also!
· Volunteers get free pizza and snacks after the hikes.  Attend all 4 hikes and get a T-shirt.
· Report at 6:30 pm, hikes begin at 7:00 pm and end at about 10 pm.
· More info at www.chattnaturecenter.com and click on “upcoming events.”
· Contact Charles Turner at k0czr@bellsouth.net to volunteer.

November 1 – Lawrenceville Hamfest:  NFARL Club Table
· Promote our great club at one of the South’s best hamfests
· Work a 2-hour shift at the NFARL club table
· More details and sign-up’s to follow

# 549. North Fulton ARES Net, 8/24/2008, 8:30 pm

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2008-08-22 00:25:30 UTC
From: nfares@yahoogroups.com
Topic: 549  Message: 549

Reminder from: nfares Yahoo! Group
http://groups.yahoo.com/group/nfares/cal

North Fulton ARES Net
Sunday August 24, 2008
8:30 pm - 9:30 pm
(This event repeats every week.)
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# 550. North Fulton ARES Net, 8/24/2008, 8:30 pm

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2008-08-24 00:25:10 UTC
From: nfares@yahoogroups.com
Topic: 549  Message: 550

Reminder from: nfares Yahoo! Group
http://groups.yahoo.com/group/nfares/cal

North Fulton ARES Net
Sunday August 24, 2008
8:30 pm - 9:30 pm
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# 551. nfares net report 8/25/08

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2008-08-25 17:50:36 UTC
From: tom burkhart
Topic: 551  Message: 551

We had a total of 10 checkins, and the net closed at 8:40

W4UOC TOM
KI4GHT ROBERT
N4ZAZ RANDY
KD4NDE SHEILA
WB4MAK MACK
WX4JMS JOHN
KJ4GAM JOHN RELAY
AF4IA LEE RELAY
N4SEC JIM RELAY
KI4MDU TOM NCS

# 552. North Fulton ARES Net, 8/31/2008, 8:30 pm

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2008-08-29 00:25:24 UTC
From: nfares@yahoogroups.com
Topic: 552  Message: 552

Reminder from: nfares Yahoo! Group
http://groups.yahoo.com/group/nfares/cal

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# 553. Upcoming SkyWarn Class in Lawrenceville

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2008-08-29 01:39:18 UTC
From: Lee Juckett
Topic: 553  Message: 553

This was recently posted on the Atlanta Radio Club Yahoo Group site.

73,
- Lee, AF4IA

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Gwinnett County will be hosting a free SKYWARN Spotter class on Monday, September 22 from 7:00 p.m. - 9:00 p.m. You will be taught how to spot severe weather, classify it and report it to the National Weather Service via amateur radio or telephone. Details are attached.

We all remember the recent surprise tornado in Atlanta
earlier this year. The scars from it can still be seen on the Westin
Hotel downtown. Many windows that were blown out are still boarded up.

One lesson we should learn from that event is that the weather service
can't always spot severe weather in time to warn the public. That's
where the 230,000 U.S. SKYWARN spotters come in. They add eyes and ears
to the arsenal of tools the NWS currently employs. After all, radar
can't see everywhere.

We can't do anything about the weather but we can work together to spot severe weather and get the word out.

See you there.

Summary

SKYWARN Class

September 22, 2008

7:00PM – 9:00PM

Georgia Gwinnett College

1000 University Center Ln.

Lawrenceville, GA 30043

RSVP (ASAP) to:

Kathy Wilson

Gwinnett County Emergency Management Agency

770-513-5227

Kathy.Wilson@ gwinnettcounty. com

# 554. NFARL Supplier of Service and email changing today

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2008-08-29 14:58:52 UTC
From: N4CLA2
Topic: 554  Message: 554

This is the day that we, NFARL, are moving our WWW.NFARL.ORG (http://WWW.NFARL.ORG) and NFARL email to our NEW supplier of service. Some of you have NFARL.ORG forwards to your "REAL" email addresses. NOTHING should really change from YOUR perspective. We are no longer going to be using GoDaddy as our web host or email supplier.

We chose to do this on this holiday weekend because of the low usage and impact.

Please clear your CACHE so that you can start fresh.

This process will start some time after 12:00 local time. With this move, you may see a 24 - 48 hour delay on your email receiving service or possibly some kind of message indicating an error while acquiring our web page.

Have a wonderful holiday.

Fred Moore
N4CLA

# 555. Gustav Deployment

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2008-08-30 12:51:12 UTC
From: w4uoc@aol.com
Topic: 555  Message: 555

As we attempt to coordinate any deployment from GA into the Gulf states following the impending storms, please note the following message from SCOTT ROYLE, KK4Z, our esteemed SEC:

"I am collecting names of hams that are willing to deploy to Gustav if needed. I have already been in contact with the LA SEC. One thing I want to stress is that more than likely hams self deploying will not be welcome unless requested from the affected area and dispatched by us. Hams do not have to be a member of the ARRL to participate, we are just the coordinating agency. Anyone who would like to volunteer please send me an e-mail at kk4z@... and include their capabilities, FEMA courses, length of stay, etc. Please be advised that length of stay could be 3-14 days. Thank you for all you do."

Again, PLEASE, don't anyone "self-deploy". If assistance is needed, the SEC from the affected area will be in touch with Scott. Deploying into any stricken area unless specifically requested to do so may cause more problems than it solves. Wait.... if you are needed, we'll let you know.

(Assuming, that is, that you let US know that you're available.) Scott is compiling that list of deployable operators now. Help us stay one step ahead.

**********It's only a deal if it's where you want to go. Find your travel deal here.
(http://information.travel.aol.com/deals?ncid=aoltrv00050000000047)

# 556. North Fulton ARES Net, 8/31/2008, 8:30 pm

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2008-08-31 00:25:16 UTC
From: nfares@yahoogroups.com
Topic: 552  Message: 556

Reminder from: nfares Yahoo! Group
http://groups.yahoo.com/group/nfares/cal

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# 557. Gustav update

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2008-08-31 02:45:13 UTC
From: w4uoc@aol.com
Topic: 557  Message: 557

Greetings, All.

Gustav is shaping up to be a very unpleasant fellow, and GA may receive a large influx of evacuees. With that in mind, our SEC SCOTT ROYLE, KK4Z, provides the following message:

I received a call today from the Red Cross possibly needing communications assistance from ARES. While no specific assignments have been made, the Red Cross is expecting from 1,000 to 10,000 evacuees in the state of Georgia. The Red Cross at this time is requesting that ARES units throughout the state be put on standby to support local emergency shelters. Assignments will be made through myself or Susan to the county EC's. Unless you are aready affliated with a Red Cross Chapter. Service could include long haul and short haul communications. kk4z@...

Until next time (and at this rate, that could be an hour from now...) this is AF4FO, signing clear. Take care of yourselves. And each other.
73, Susan

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# 558. Hurricane frequencies

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2008-08-31 15:55:06 UTC
From: tom burkhart
Topic: 558  Message: 558

A good list of frequencies that may be used during hurricanes (or other disasters) can be found at http://hurricanefrequencies.com/

Some of the frequencies listed may not be accurate, but are very close, and some of the frequencies are listed with the wrong side band (states LSB when it should be USB, or vise versa)

Tom
KI4MDU

# 559. GUSTOV SUPPORT UPDATE

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2008-08-31 18:27:54 UTC
From: tom burkhart
Topic: 559  Message: 559

The Skywarn net has been activated to support red cross shelters here in georgia.

# 560. Streaming audio from la ema office

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2008-08-31 21:18:17 UTC
From: tom burkhart
Topic: 560  Message: 560

Streaming audio from Louisiana EMA
http://www.radioreference.com:8000/nola.mp3.m3u

# 561. Hurricane Frequencies Weather Net Storm

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2008-08-31 21:29:52 UTC
From: w4uoc@aol.com
Topic: 561  Message: 561

_Click here: Hurricane Frequencies Weather Net Storm Hunter! Amateur Ham Radio - Mods - FCC - Help - Shortwave - HF - FRS - APR_ (http://w4rfd.com/hf_weather_nets.html)

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# 562. Gustov support opportunities

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2008-09-01 00:52:41 UTC
From: tom burkhart
Topic: 562  Message: 562

Volunteers are needed to staff the Red Cross facility in atlanta on monroe street, both overnight this evening and for the next few days. If you are available please contact Steve Garrison at n4seg@...

Tom
KI4MDU

# 584. North Fulton ARES Net, 9/14/2008, 8:30 pm

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2008-09-12 00:25:33 UTC
From: nfares@yahoogroups.com
Topic: 584  Message: 584

Reminder from: nfares Yahoo! Group
http://groups.yahoo.com/group/nfares/cal

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# 585. ares support request

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2008-09-12 00:52:17 UTC
From: tom burkhart
Topic: 585  Message: 585

>
> Greetings, All.
> >
> > With hurricane Ike coming closer to making a U.S. landfall, we've
> > received a request for some local assistance. The following message is
> > from our SEC SCOTT ROYLE, KK4Z:
> >
> > "The North American Mission Board Disaster Operations Center (Like GA
> > Baptist Disaster Relief) has a need for 2 General Class or above
> > amateur radio operators for their Alpharetta location in support of
> > emergency communications for Hurricane Ike. This will be a day time
> > position 0800 to 1800 lcl and may begin as soon as this coming Sunday
> > 09/14/2008. Modes could include HF, Echolink, MARS, Winlink, and
> > D-STAR. Those interested in helping out please contact Jim Hadder
> > KE4ZX at jehadder@... or phone 404-444-9844. This is a great
> > opportunity for GA ARES to support emergency communications for
> > Hurricane Ike. Thanks and 73 Scott Royle KK4Z, GA ARES SEC."
> >
> > Thank you, all. The more of you who volunteer, the shorter the shifts
> > will be...
> >
> > Until next time, this is AF4FO, signing clear. Take care of yourselves.
> > And each other. 73, Susan
> >
> > +++
> > No trees were killed in the sending of this message. However, a large
> > number of electrons were terribly inconvenienced.
> > +++
> >
> > ---------------------------------------------------------------------
> > ARRL Georgia Section
> > Section Manager: Susan K. Swiderski, AF4FO
> > af4fo@...
> > ---------------------------------------------------------------------
> > This message is being sent to you via the ARRL Members Only Web site.
> > If you do not want to receive further messages, go to the site at:
> > http://www.arrl.org/members-only/memdata.html?modify=1
> > Log in with your username and password and change your email options.
> > Unchecking the "News and information from your Division Director and
> > Section Manager" box will prevent messages such as this one from
> > being sent to you.
> > -- webmaster@...
> >
>

# 586. hurricane ike audio and video links

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2008-09-12 18:55:48 UTC
From: tom burkhart
Topic: 586  Message: 586

A combined (police fire and ems) audio feed from galveston is available at

http://tx.scanamerica.us/playlists/tx/all/scanner2f-1221245235.asx

Live video streaming is available at http://www.myfoxhoustonlive.com/

# 587. North Fulton ARES Net, 9/14/2008, 8:30 pm

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2008-09-14 00:25:19 UTC
From: nfares@yahoogroups.com
Topic: 584  Message: 587

Reminder from: nfares Yahoo! Group
http://groups.yahoo.com/group/nfares/cal

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# 588. Net Report - North Fulton ARES, Sept 14, 2008

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2008-09-15 00:52:09 UTC
From: Lee Juckett
Topic: 588  Message: 588

We had 14 check-in's for tonight's NFARES net:

1. W4UOC, Tom - EC North Fulton County
2. KI4GHT, Bob
3. KI4MDU, Tom
4. K4YJI, Bill
5. N4SEC, Jim
6. KD4NKE, Shelia
7. KD9RU, Dave
8. KR4MM, Brian
9. KJ4CJX, Cary
10. WB4MAK, Mack
11. KJ4DYL, Gary
12. WX4JMS, John
13. W4QO, Jim (late check-in)
14. AF4IA, Lee-NCS

73 to all,
- Lee, AF4IA

# 589. North American Mission Board - Disaster Relief efforts.

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2008-09-18 11:38:56 UTC
From: w4uoc@aol.com
Topic: 589  Message: 589

Several members of the North Fulton Amateur Radio Emergency Service (NFARES) have been assisting with the communications efforts of the North American Mission Board and their efforts for the disaster recovery efforts for Texas and Louisiana areas effected by hurricane IKE! The attached link will give you a glimpse of the recent activities of this group. If you are interested in helping with the communications operations now or in the future please let me know.

_http://www.namb.net/_ (http://www.namb.net/)

Currently we have been helping to operate the following communications positions at the Alpharetta headquarters site: HF, VHF, UHF, Echolink, Winlink/Airmail and Dstar. The Disaster Operations Center ( DOC) is operational and will be activated for the next several days to weeks.

It has been suggested that NFARES should become more involved with this organization in order to provide trained local amateur radio operators to help operate the headquarters communications center thus re leaving other NAMB amateurs to be deployed into the disaster areas. The NAMB headquarters is located just south of the intersection of Old Milton and Peachtree Parkway in Alpharetta, GA. The NAMB organization currently has an MOC with the Amateur Radio Emergency Service (ARES). Additional training will be provided by the NAMB for continued future involvement with this organization.

We will discuss formalizing our future involvement and training requirements to affiliate with this effort during future NFARES nets and upcoming NFARES meeting. Our net meets every Sunday evening at 8:30 p.m. on 147.06 +600 with a sub audible tone of 100hz.

If you have any interest in helping please contact me via email or telephone.

Considering the fact that the location of the NAMB headquarters is in the area covered by our NFARES group, it seems to me to be a logical organization we should support along with our community public safety and hospital efforts. I hope you will agree!

Thomas E. Koch - W4UOC
Emergency Coordinator, North Fulton Amateur Radio Emergency Service (NFARES)
8170 Habersham Waters Road
Sandy Springs, GA 30350
404-314-6109

**********Pssst...Have you heard the news? There's a new fashion blog, plus the latest fall trends and hair styles at StyleList.com. (http://www.stylelist.com/trends?ncid=aolsty00050000000014)

# 590. North Fulton ARES Net, 9/21/2008, 8:30 pm

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2008-09-19 00:25:37 UTC
From: nfares@yahoogroups.com
Topic: 590  Message: 590

Reminder from: nfares Yahoo! Group
http://groups.yahoo.com/group/nfares/cal

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# 591. Upcoming Ham Activities and Training

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2008-09-20 23:15:43 UTC
From: Lee Juckett
Topic: 591  Message: 591

Below is the information I discussed at last week's NFARL meeting.

- Lee, AF4IA

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Skywarn Spotter Class on  Monday, Sept 22 from 7- 9 pm at Georgia Gwinnett College in Lawrenceville.  Contact: Kathy Wilson (770) 513-5227 Kathy.Wilson@ gwinnettcounty. com

Halloween Hikes on Oct 17-18 and 24-25 at Chattachoochee Nature Center .  Report at 6:30 PM; hikes from 7-10 pm.  Contact: Charles Turner k0czr@...

NFARL Club Table at Alford Memorial Radio Club Hamfest on Saturday November 1 from 8 am – 4 pm in Lawrenceville.  Sign up for a 2-hour shift.  Contact Lee Juckett af4ia@...  I'll be passing around the sign-up sheet again at the September NFARL meeting.

# 592. North Fulton ARES Net, 9/21/2008, 8:30 pm

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2008-09-21 00:25:16 UTC
From: nfares@yahoogroups.com
Topic: 590  Message: 592

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# 593. North American Mission Board - Disaster Relief efforts - UPDATE

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2008-09-21 13:07:09 UTC
From: w4uoc@aol.com
Topic: 593 Message: 593

UPDATE INFORMATION AND REQUEST AS OF SEPT 21, 2008

WE NEED SOME HELP AT THE NORTH AMERICAN MISSION BOARD HEADQUARTERS WITH OPERATORS FOR THIS EFFORT FOR THE NEXT SEVERAL DAYS! IF YOU CAN HELP PLEASE CONTACT ME ON MY CELL 404-314-6109. I WILL BE TAKING THE SHIFT FROM 8:00 A.M. TO 2:00 P.M. MONDAY, WEDNESDAY AND THURSDAY IF YOU WANT TO COME BY TO VISIT THE DISASTER OPERATING CENTER AND FAMILIARIZE YOURSELF WITH THE COMMUNICATIIONS SET-UP. ALTHOUGH HURRICANE IKE HAS PASSED THRU THE EFFECTED AREA THE DISASTER RELIEF EFFORT WILL BE ONGOING FOR QUITE SOME TIME AND THIS IS WHEN SUPPORT FOR THE EFFORT IS MOST CRITICAL!

TOM - W4UOC

North American Mission Board - Disaster Relief efforts.

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# 595. North American Mission Board, NA4MB will be standing down

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2008-09-24 19:15:54 UTC
From: w4uoc@aol.com
Topic: 595  Message: 595

To All:

This is to advise that effective today at 5:30 PM Eastern Time that the radio station at the North American Mission Board, NA4MB will be standing down it operations relating to Hurricanes Gustav and Ike.

Thanks are extended to all who helped man this station from almost continually from August 31 until today September 24. Special thanks are in order for Jim Hadder, KE4ZX, Southbears Net Manager who coordinated the majority of the operation at NA4MB for this activation and to Jim Wauford, WA4REV, who assisted him in tis task. Thanks are also in order to Tom Koch, W4UOC, EC for the North Fulton ARRL ARES Group for supplying additional operators for the NA4MB station. Thanks are also in order to Stu Carter, Chief, Army MARS and Army MARS (through an MOU with them) for supplying us two MARS teams deploying to Louisiana in the early days of Gustav. Thanks to Dennis Dura, K2DCD, ARRL's Emergency Communications Manager and the SM's and SEC's for GA, LA and TX for providing us with additional resources in their respective states during this event. A very special thanks to all communicators, no matter what role you provided during this activation. If it were not for you, the communicators on the ground, our mission would not be possible.

My personal observation of things that worked well and things that did not work well. In my opinion the thing that worked best in areas that did not have good internet and cell phone coverage were Winlink Airmail on both the amateur and the MARS side. This medium worked flawlessly and Airmail messages were transmitted via HF radio when voice communications were not possible because of extremely poor propagation. Echolink worked very well as did D-Star. We were able to communicate directly with units in Texas through the D-Star Gateway through the KI4SBA repeater in Cumming, GA. Satellite internet service also worked well for those that have this technology. What did not work well at all was voice communications from the affected area to NA4MB due to very poor HF propagation. These are my observations. I am asking for your input as to what you observed during this event that can possibly be done different the next time to improve our overall operation and response as communicators.

If you can send your AAR (After Action Report) to me, _w4tl@..._ (mailto:w4tl@...) and Jim Hadder , _jehadder@..._ (mailto:jehadder@...) it will be greatly appreciated. This will help us take your input and "fine tune" our operations to an even higher level.

Thank you for a job well done and your continued support of the Southern Baptist Disaster Relief Ministry and Southbears.

In HIS Name,

Terry Jones, W4TL
National Communications Coordinator

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# 596. North Fulton ARES Net, 9/28/2008, 8:30 pm

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2008-09-26 00:25:28 UTC
From: nfares@yahoogroups.com
Topic: 596  Message: 596

Reminder from: nfares Yahoo! Group
http://groups.yahoo.com/group/nfares/cal

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# 597. ARES E-Letter, Sept 2008

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2008-09-27 10:19:48 UTC
From: w4uoc@aol.com
Topic: 597  Message: 597

The ARES E-Letter
September 26, 2008
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Rick Palm, K1CE, Editor

<http://www.qrz.com/database?callsign=K1CE>,

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ARES reports, other related contributions, editorial questions or
comments: <k1ce@...>;;
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+ The View from Flagler County

Hurricane Ike devastated Galveston, Texas, the site of the notorious disaster in 1900, as well as points north. Massive evacuations took place, and ARES was prepared for a major communications effort. I monitored the Hurricane Watch Net on 14.325 MHz. NCS W7GOX was looking for reports from stations along the Texas Gulf coast. For a comprehensive, current look at storm-related amateur operations, see the new issue of the ARRL Letter at:
<http://www.arrl.org/arrlletter/08/0919/>.

At the present time, all staffing requests have been met, and Sections have been asked to stand-down and thank all those that identified themselves as available. ARES volunteers around the country should continue to monitor tropical events, as the season does not end for two more months. Any updates on volunteer needs will be made known to the Section Managers and Section Emergency Coordinators and posted to the ARRL's Volunteer Web page at:
<http://www.arrl.org/gustav/vol.html>

According to Louisiana SM Gary Stratton, K5GLS, activity in his state status post Hurricane Gustav has wound down to only sparse local support at the city and parish level. Louisiana VOAD members have asked for no assistance. A few Louisiana ARES members are still supporting the Texas Emergency Net, and South Texas ARES officials will likely be asking for relief support for those who have been working since Ike came inland. Volunteers are supplying private equipment for mostly VHF operation in the Houston/Galveston and the southeast Texas areas of Orange, Beaumont, and Port Arthur. Louisiana SEC Jim Coleman, AI5B, has been in charge of the Louisiana effort, working with STX officials.

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It has been a rough and tumble season so far, and we're only half way through it. In observing trends this season, one of the enhancements that struck me was the better coordination of possible movement of ARES volunteers to affected areas from other counties and sections. This was evident during Northern Florida's response to T.S. Fay, and continues on with the Gustav and now, Ike, situations. The coordination efforts of ARRL and its leadership officials across the pan-Gulf region is to be commended, and will likely be the topic of post-season debriefings in the months to come.

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For Hurricane Gustav, Northern Florida was "Alerted." SM Paul Eakin, KJ4G, met with the State EOC team, who was concerned about south Florida. Eakin offered his ARES assets to neighboring ARRL sections to the south. Five Amateur Radio operators were available to the state tracking system from their homes to assist with all requests for Amateur Radio services. The idea was to expedite responses to served agencies and all the county EOCs throughout the state. This Tallahassee (TLH) "Gateway" team was established to operate these stations 24/7 as needed. The gateway system is per the request of the Florida state EOC, the principle served agency of Florida ARES. The TLH gateway stations were provided to assist any EOC or served agency who could not contact, or remain in contact by commercial or any other means with, the State EOC.

Eakin was invited once again to be posted at the EOC. He had D-STAR and APRS communications capability, for stations to post info to the EOC. The state EOC also had the Southeastern Digital Area Network (SEDAN) packet system up and running, as another communications tool. Four W2K stations were also up.

Eakin cited the ARRL HQ-coordinated conference calls as "a great idea for us in the hot zones to learn the status of the overall event." It was through these conference calls that Eakin was able to set up a relay backup system with the Mississippi section for mutual assistance.

It seems we are in a new era of ARES communications that emphasizes cross-Sectional coordination and cooperation for mutual assistance, and a more proactive HQ role.

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+ T.S. Fay Response

T.S. Fay spent seven days in Florida. Every county was impacted in some way. Fay entered the state four times during her visit. Cost to government agencies so far is more than $11,000,000. Eleven deaths occurred. ARES skills were tested, and operations were assessed to make improvements and to be ready for the next one.

After action reports are still being solicited and written to document the number of amateurs participating, hours worked, types of assignments, actions performed by amateurs that were above and beyond the call of duty, communication modes used other than voice and any other items highlighting Amateur Radio. Reports should also contain information pertaining to other volunteers who were involved: REACT, SKYWARN, SAR, K9, and so forth, to bring about a comprehensive communications picture.

Northern Florida Section Manager Paul Eakin, KJ4G applauded ARES amateurs for a job well done: "It was quite evident that teamwork was involved to get assignments done. Many put in long hours, bought expensive fuel, and lost sleep in the performance of duties. Public officials have noticed what ham radio is all about. I especially commend those amateurs who volunteered to be deployed to the Crown district on short notice. Thanks also go to Susan Swiderski, AF4FO, Georgia SM, who provided amateurs for possible deployment into northwestern Florida."

+ ARRL Sets up E-mail Addresses for Hurricanes, Tropical Storms

In an effort to streamline hurricane support operations at ARRL Headquarters, the League has set up two e-mail addresses for hams to pose questions or relay non-emergent information to HQ Staff relating to hurricane or named tropical storm events. If you need to communicate with ARRL HQ regarding these storms, please use <hurricane@...> or <hurricane@...>. While these e-mail addresses are not monitored on a 24/7 basis, they are monitored during each storm's descent on the US, as well as throughout the hurricane season.

+ Hurricane Gustav Mutual Aid ARES Volunteer Protocol

As Hurricane Gustav hit southeast Louisiana, the ARES response was well-coordinated on an inter-Sectional basis. Throughout the storm

week, ARRL coordinated conference calls among key ARES officials to foster communication and expedite any requests for assistance.

As Amateur Radio operators prepared for Hurricane Gustav, the ARRL deployed complete radio stations comprised of industry-donated Amateur Radio equipment, thanks to the generous contributions of ARRL members to the Ham Aid Fund. Created in 2005 to assist with the response to Hurricane Katrina, the Ham Aid Fund is designated to finance Amateur Radio equipment needed for disaster response. In preparation for Hurricane Gustav, ARRL received requests for radio equipment from Louisiana and Texas. The shipping costs for this equipment were covered by the Ham Aid Fund.

The storm event and response are well-documented in the ARRL Letter, so will not be revisited here. Please see <http://www.arrl.org/arrlletter/08/0905/>. What will be covered here is the method of coordination of volunteers used by ARRL Headquarters staff, a vast improvement over the past. In coordination with the Sections in the Gulf Coast area, certain protocols were to be used to request and accept ARES volunteers. They will likely be used for further storms this season, with possible modifications as we go along:

1. Interested volunteers should make their availability known to their home Section Manager and Section Emergency Coordinator.

2. The impacted Section(s) and ARRL HQ will post staffing requests to the SM, SEC and the storm Volunteer web page. A brief, specific description of what is requested will be listed.

3. SMs and SECs that have volunteers that are available will contact the requesting Section point of contact (POC) listed in the request.

4. The requesting Section POC will determine the viability of the resource offering and have the final decision on acceptance.

5. Once the request has been filled, a new posting to both e-mail lists and the web page will be made.

6. Specific reporting details will be provided by the Section POC.

7. Requesting Sections will utilize the closest ARES resources first.

8. ARES volunteers not cleared by the requesting POC will not be accepted or allowed entry into the disaster area.

ARES assets that may be requested by National VOAD members (served organizations) will be processed through ARRL HQ by Dennis Dura, K2DCD.

As additional details become available, and/or the protocol is altered, changes will be posted to the SM and SEC list, and here. See also the Volunteer Web page at: <http://www.arrl.org/gustav/vol.html>

+ New FEMA Training Course Essential: ESF #2 Communications

An apparently new FEMA on-line course covers the Emergency Support Function (ESF) #2 "Communications" of the National Response Framework (NRF). It is essential that all amateur emcomm operators understand all ESFs, but particularly ESF #2. All ESFs are central to the operations of any EOC. See <http://training.fema.gov/EMIWeb/IS/IS802.asp>.

The NRF presents the guiding principles that enable all response partners to prepare for and provide a unified national response to disasters and emergencies. It establishes a comprehensive, national, all-hazards approach to domestic incident response. The Framework defines the principles, roles, and structures that organize how we respond as a nation. It builds upon the National Incident Management System (NIMS)<http://www.fema.gov/emergency/nims/index.shtm>, which provides a consistent template for managing incidents. Information on the National Response Framework including Documents, Annexes, References and Briefings/Trainings can be accessed from the resource center <http://www.fema.gov/emergency/nrf/> -- Thanks to Eagle-Eye David Coursey, N5FDL, EC San Joaquin County, California

+ Red Cross Policy Re Health and Welfare Traffic Clarified

This statement is from Keith Robertory, Disaster Service Technology Manager, American Red Cross, regarding Amateur Radio's role in Health and Welfare Traffic and the American Red Cross.

"There has recently been some posting on Amateur Radio discussion groups on the Internet that is carrying false or misleading information. The Red Cross does not have a policy against amateur radio participating in passing health and welfare messages. In fact, we recognize the importance of amateur radio in being a vital method for people to get registered.

"The American Red Cross welcomes the support of Amateur Radio Operators in connecting friends and family members together through our health and welfare programs. The grassroots, independent nature of Amateur Radio Operators in communities around the country make them well suited for this task.

"General welfare messages are processed through the Red Cross Safe and Well Web site. This site allows people to register their status, which can be checked by friends and family who search by your name, address or phone number. A quick look at the Web site <http://disastersafe.redcross.org> will show how both the registration process and search are done.

"As few as two hams can set up an effective registration process. A ham located in the disaster zone can use any mode to transmit the basic Safe and Well registration information to another ham located outside the disaster area who would enter the information on the Web site. This quick ad-hoc setup doesn't rely on any affiliations and

can be established by a call out to another ham who can help.

"The Red Cross also processes welfare inquiry messages that contain specific medical information. These contain more sensitive and personally identifiable information at the same time that the Red Cross keeps confidential to respect client privacy. We are researching if and how these messages can be passed across open frequencies, and what federal restrictions (such as HIPPA) may impact how this is done. Thank you. -- Keith Robertory, Disaster Service Technology Manager, American Red Cross, KG4UIR"

+ California's Hospital Disaster Support Communications Service Update

The venerable Hospital Disaster Support Communications Service (HDSCS) of Orange county, California, members are recouping from the Disneyland Half Marathon on August 31. The medical support for this event with 13,500 runners, was St. Joseph Hospital located in Orange. Because of its specialty of supporting hospitals, HDSCS has supported the medical communications for this event for two years. HDSCS provided 22 communicators who shadowed key staff for St. Joseph, provided comms from all the medical tents, were the communicators for the bicycle medics, stood by at key water stations, and were in the Disneyland command center. By 10:30 AM well over 500 runners had been attended to and treated in the 30 bed Main Medical Tent and reunion areas. HDSCS communicators were lauded for the organized network, their understanding of the medical environment, and the ability to get messages through quickly.

As part of ongoing training, HDSCS members participated in field trips to learn about emergency department and trauma center functions as well as going through the various intensive care areas. It was invaluable for communicators who might have to back up communications from those most critical areas of the hospital.

HDSCS participated in several single hospital drills so far this year. Most recently, it responded to Mission Hospital Regional Medical Center when a failure of a UPS caused a phone outage in one of the buildings on their campus. Communicators were on site for about 4 1/2 hours assisting with message relays from one building to others. Little did they know that it was a warm up for the earthquake the next day.

HDSCS staffed three full days at the Orange County Fair Amateur Radio booth, allowing scouts to send simulated emergency messages from a simulated Hospital Command Center at a Scout-O-Rama. HDSCS has also been at the EMS Disaster Fair. It was a great opportunity to explain how the group functions in time of phone outages, and area wide disasters.

HDSCS boasts 10 members that have now achieved the Certified Hospital Communicator. For more info, see the HDSCS Web site. -- April Moell,

WA6OPS, ARES Emergency Coordinator, Hospital Disaster Support Communications System, Orange County, California <emcom4hosp@...>, <http://www.hdscs.org>

+ Boise, Idaho Fire Response

August 25 -- The South West Idaho ARES team activated the emergency net in response to a four-alarm fire in southeast Boise. The net ops were in place to pass information traffic compiled from eyewitness accounts, if needed, and local news reporting. Brian Adams, W7CVS, served as net control. Fifty homes were evacuated, with Red Cross on scene to provide assistance and support. The event was managed under the Incident Command System, with the Incident Commander installed at the Simplot soccer field complex.

Lessons Learned: Adams said "this was an example of how quickly local resources can be overwhelmed. All of Boise Fire Department was called in and numerous Boise Police were on scene. Other Fire and Law Enforcement agencies were called in from as far away as Payette, Gem, and Elmore Counties to cover areas not covered by units working the SE Boise Fire. Adams concluded, "We need to be ready at any moment to respond as requested by our public safety partners. Having the Emergency Net active with Amateurs standing by was a useful resource for information for the local Amateur Radio community. Thanks to all who checked into the Net and were ready to respond. The time for training, coordination, and knowledge of how to respond and effectively support our served agencies is BEFORE an incident like this so that our team and capabilities are known and we can effectively serve our serviced agencies - which is why Southwest Idaho ARES exists." -- Chuck Robertson, KX7ID, <kx7id@...>, <http://www.idahoares.org>

+ Department of Homeland Security Interoperability Manual, New National Emergency Communications Plan

From the U.S. Department of Homeland Security (DHS) Office of Emergency Communications (OEC)-- "The National Interoperability Field Operations Guide (NIFOG) is a collection of technical reference material for radio technicians responsible for radios that will be used in disaster response applications. The NIFOG includes information from the National Interoperability Frequency Guide (NIFG), the instructions for use of the NIFG, and other reference material; formatted as a pocket-sized guide for radio technicians to carry with them. If you are not familiar with interoperability and mutual aid communications, start with the "How to Use the National Interoperability Field Operations Guide" section. We encourage you to program as many of these interoperability channels in your radios as possible. Even if geographic restrictions on some channels preclude their use in your home area, you may have the opportunity to help in a distant state where the restrictions do not apply. Maximize your flexibility." For a copy of the manual, see:

<http://www.npstc.org/documents/NIFOG%20v1.2%204-14-2008.pdf> --
Thanks, Mark Conklin, N7XYO, Assistant SEC, Oklahoma

DHS has also recently released the National Emergency Communications Plan (NECP) to address gaps and determine solutions so that emergency response personnel at all levels of government and across all disciplines can communicate as needed, on demand, and as authorized. The NECP is the nation's first strategic plan to improve emergency response communications, and complements overarching homeland security and emergency communications legislation, strategies and initiatives. More on the National Emergency Communications Plan: <http://www.dhs.gov/xnews/releases/pr_1217534334567.shtm> and <http://www.dhs.gov/xnews/releases/pr_1217529182375.shtm>. Thanks -- Les Rayburn, N1LF, Shelby County, Alabama EC

+ LETTERS: ARES Groups Should Publish Repeater Frequencies for Googling

I was sent by my job down to Ft. Lauderdale [Florida] on the evening of August 18, as Fay was about to make landfall in Collier County. It was a bit of a wild ride down Alligator Alley, but I made it to Ft. Lauderdale well ahead of the worst of the storm. At the hotel, I attempted to find the local ARES repeater to check in to and monitor. Oddly enough, despite much Googling, I was unable to find out which repeater covered the area. I would suggest that all ARES/RACES/SKYWARN groups have a list of the repeaters that they use on-line somewhere so that not only their members have it handy, but travelers to the area can find it as well. -- Joe Tomasone, AB2M, Pinellas County (Florida) EC, and Assistant SEC, West Central Florida Section

+ Jack Sovik, KB8WPZ, New SEC for Ohio

The DEC for District Five, Ohio, Jack Sovik, KB8WPZ, has become SEC, effective September 1, Section Manager Joe Phillips, K8QOE, has announced. Sovik succeeds Frank Piper, KI8GW, of Pickerington.

SM Phillips said Sovik was selected after a process in which eight applicants applied and three were given personal interviews. "During his tenure as DEC, Jack demonstrated great people skills he also uses in his work for the Youngstown Vindicator newspaper. It was obvious in the interview that he was the strongest candidate to continue the job of enriching the talent in our ARES administration that SEC Piper had started."

Piper said "Jack has been a great supporter of the ARES program in the Ohio Section, and was a key player in projects such as the state emergency plan OSERP revision, the Ohio Section EC guidelines, and the reorganization of the ARES Districts." In addition, "Jack's drive for professionalism in ARES, and his abilities to work with people will give him the advantage to push the Ohio Section ARES to a greater level. I am extremely proud of Jack and wish him well in his

new role as SEC," Piper added.

Sovik, 58, attended Youngstown State University, majoring in Advertising/Public Relations. He was first licensed as KB8WPZ in 1995, earning his Extra class in 2000. He has held various positions including District Emergency Coordinator for District 5, and Assistant Emergency Coordinator for Mahoning County, and has taken the ARRL EMCOMM classes 1-3 and FEMA classes IS 100; IS 200; IS 546; IS 700; and IS 800. He is currently Vice President of the Mahoning Valley Amateur Radio Association.

+ Coaxial Antenna for EmComm

There are many antennas that may be purchased or constructed and carried in your emcomm kit. Small dipoles, J-Poles and many other antennas that can be rolled-up, placed in a zip-lock type bag and stowed in your kit. But what about the all but forgotten coaxial antenna?

The coaxial antenna is basically a quarter-wave piece of 52 Ohm coax. (RG8X or RG174 are my cables of choice). Construction for a two meter coaxial antenna follows:

1. Remove 19 inches of the outer jacket from a four foot or long piece of coaxial cable.
2. Carefully remove about 18 inches of the exposed shield. The shield will be used as a sleeve.
3. Slide the shield (removed in the above step) up the coax from the far end to the point where the jacket begins and the one inch of shield remains.
4. Using a relatively low Wattage soldering iron, tin the top of the sleeve.
5. Carefully fold the one inch of shield over the top of the sleeve.
6. Using the low Wattage soldering iron, solder the shield the top of the sleeve.
7. Check all work. What you should see is eighteen inches of dielectric along with the center conductor and eighteen inches of sleeve with any length of coax after the sleeve.
8. Check for shorts and opens with an Ohm meter.
9. Add the coax connector of your choice to the end of the length of coax.
10. Check for shorts and opens again.
11. Carefully affix a loop of string or a plastic wire tie to the top of antenna using a good quality tape or heat shrink. The whole antenna can be covered with heat shrink. You may utilize the extra one inch of wire at the top by stripping of the dielectric from the top and soldering the wire into a loop. The extra one inch must be removed or utilized so as not to be part of the antenna.
12. The antenna can now be hanged from the support of your choice and when finished, it can be stowed very easily.

Some additional thoughts:

Coaxial antennas are quite useful above 30 meters. However, they become physically unwieldy below 30 meters. This type of antenna does have a lower angle of radiation than the popular J-Pole with the added bonus of some slight gain.

If the numbers look familiar, that is because we are dealing with quarter-wavelength sections. The upper portion is a quarter-wavelength and the lower (sleeve) is a quarter-wavelength. - Jay Musikar, AF2C, District EC, East-Central District, Northern Florida Section

+ EmComm Briefs:

* ARRL Emergency Communications Level 3 Online Course to be Revised: New enrollments in the online Level 3 course will be suspended effective October 1 to allow us to update the course curricula. We expect the updated course to be available in the first quarter of 2009.

* New HF Digital Protocol to Debut at September Conference: WINMOR, an HF digital protocol designed for use with the Winlink 2000 network, will be unveiled at the upcoming ARRL/TAPR Digital Communications Conference in Chicago September 26-28.

* ARRL and Citizen Corps Assist Schools with NOAA Emergency Radios: ARRL and Citizen Corps are teaming up to offer assistance to local school districts in setting up and registering their NOAA Weather All Hazard Public Alert Radio.

+ October 4-5: Participate in SET

The ARRL Simulated Emergency Test is a nationwide exercise in emergency communications, administered by ARRL Field Organization Leaders including Emergency Coordinators, District Emergency Coordinators, Section Emergency Coordinators and Net Managers. Many other Section Leaders like the Section Manager and the Section Traffic Manager may have a hand in planning the exercises and/or reviewing the results. Amateur Radio Emergency Service (ARES), National Traffic System (NTS), Radio Amateur Civil Emergency Service (RACES) and other public-service oriented groups can be involved. The SET weekend gives communicators the opportunity to focus on the emergency-communications capability within your community while interacting with NTS nets. Although the main SET weekend this year is October 4 -5, local and section-wide exercises may be held throughout the fall season.

How to Join the SET:

To participate in this year's emergency test, contact your local ARRL emergency coordinator or net manager to find out the details. ARRL Sections, ARES teams and nets may conduct their exercises anytime during September through December. If you don't know who to call, please touch base with your ARRL Section Manager for assistance. See

page 16 of QST for contact information or check the ARRL Web page. The URL to start with is <http://www.arrl.org/sections/>. From there, you'll find links to ARRL section home pages with names and contact information for your Section Leaders including the Section Emergency Coordinator and Section Traffic Manager. Whether you're a new licensee or an experienced radio amateur, the SET is a golden opportunity to learn or practice useful skills in traffic handling, net operation and emergency communications protocols and management.

Purpose of SET:

--> To find out the strengths and weaknesses of ARES, NTS, RACES and other groups in providing emergency communications.
--> To provide a public demonstration--to served agencies such as the American Red Cross, the emergency management agency and through the news media--of the value to the public that Amateur Radio provides, particularly in time of need.
--> To help radio amateurs gain experience in communications using standard procedures and a variety of modes under simulated-emergency conditions.

Format:

The scoring format reflects broad objectives and encourages use of digital modes for handling high-volume traffic and point-to-point Welfare reports out of the affected simulated- disaster area. Participants will find SET an opportunity to strengthen the VHF-HF link at the local level, thereby ensuring that ARES and NTS are working in concert. The SET will give all levels of NTS the chance to handle exercise-related traffic. The guidelines also recognize tactical traffic on behalf of served agencies.

Test messages should carry the word "TEST" before the precedence; that is, "Test Priority" on phone and "TEST P" on cw. The text of such messages should also begin with the words "TEST MESSAGE."

Links to SET reporting forms and the EC Annual Report may be found at <http://www.arrl.org/FandES/field/forms/>. You may e-mail your SET summaries to ARRL Headquarters via <sewald@...>. If you mail them to ARRL via the postal service, the address is: ARRL Headquarters, 225 Main Street, Newington, CT 06111-1494. January 30, 2009, is the receipt deadline.

Preparation is Important:

Steps for the Emergency Coordinator

--> Sign up all available amateurs in the area under your jurisdiction and work them into your SET plans.
--> Call a meeting of all ARES members and prospective members to briefly outline (no details!) SET activities, and give general instructions. Do not divulge the exact time or nature of the test to

them at this time. This should come as a surprise. Take this opportunity to register new ARES members and get up-to-date information on others. Hold an on-the-air meeting if it's not possible to meet in person.
--> Contact served agencies and explain the intent and overall purpose of the SET. Offer to send test messages to other branches of their agencies, and invite officials to your ARES meetings and SET operating sites.
--> Contact officials of any adjacent communities having no active amateurs and offer to provide representation in amateur networks for them as well.
--> Arrange publicity in consultation with an ARRL Public Information Officer in local newspapers and radio/TV stations by preparing an announcement and/or inviting the press to observe your group's SET operation.
--> Set up liaison with one or more NTS local/section nets (if you don't already have liaison) so you will have an outlet for all messages out of the local area.
--> Formulate your plans around a simulated disaster. Possible "plots" include: a flood, a serious fire, an ice storm, a missing person, a serious accident (automobile, bus, aircraft, for examples), a broken gas line, and so forth.
--> Elaborate on the situation by developing a scenario, but please be realistic.

During the SET:

--> Announce the emergency situation. Activate the emergency net. Dispatch mobiles to served agencies.
--> Have designated stations originate messages on behalf of served agencies.
--> Test messages may be sent simulating requests for supplies. Simulated emergency messages (just like real emergency messages) should be signed by an authorized official.
--> Emphasize tactical communications for served agencies.
--> As warranted by traffic loads, have liaison stations on hand to receive traffic on the local net and relay to your section net. You should also be sure that there is a representative on each session of the section net to receive traffic going to the local area.
--> Operate at least one session (or substantial segment of a session) of the local net on emergency-power only basis. Or, if a repeater is on emergency power, allow only emergency-powered stations to operate through the repeater for a certain time period.

After the SET:

An important post-SET activity is a critique session to discuss the test results. All ARES (and RACES) members should be invited to the meeting to review good points and weaknesses apparent in the drill. Emphasize ways to improve procedures, techniques, and coordination with all groups involved. Report your group's effort using the

appropriate forms and include any photos, clippings and other items of interest.

The Role of NTS:

The main function of the National Traffic System in an emergency situation is to tie together all of the various local activities and to provide a means by which all traffic destined outside of a local area, section or region can be systematically relayed to the addressee.

Normal NTS routing should be followed. A valid exception is the handling of emergency traffic that should be routed as rapidly and

efficiently as possible, bypassing various levels of nets when delivery can be expedited. Another exception is when one station is loaded down with traffic for one region or section. At the discretion of the Net Control Station (NCS), the station may be directed to bypass a normal channel and go directly to a lower (or higher) echelon net.

The interface between NTS and ARES lies in the liaison function between local nets and other NTS nets, particularly at the section level. Responsibility for representation of the local network on the section net lies with the local net manager who may or may not be the EC. Although we usually think of ARES members being the representatives in section nets, it is equally valid to expect NTS personnel to act as liaison to local nets.

At least one net session or substantial segment of a session should be conducted on emergency power. Plan a surprise session or two. Advise the NCS just before net time. If NCS is unable to operate on emergency power, then someone else must be net control. Only stations operating on emergency power may report in during this time.

Summary:

One of the first steps on the way to a successful SET is to try to get as many people involved as possible, and especially new hams. In a real emergency, we find amateurs with all sorts of varied interests coming out of the woodwork. Let's get them involved in SET so they will know more about how emergency communications should be handled. Promote SET on nets and repeaters, and sign up new, enthusiastic radio amateurs. Many of those offering to help will be inexperienced in public-service activities. It's up to you to explain what's going on to them, and provide them with useful roles. They may like it so much that they become a permanent fixture in your ARES or NTS group. For a review of last year's nationwide Simulated Emergency Test, read the article in July, 2008, QST. Thanks to your efforts, the public service tradition in Amateur Radio continues!

+ K1CE For A Final

For current information on ARES and other storm-related issues, always check the League's Web page: <http://www.arrl.org/>. It is updated on a daily basis.

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Please send reports of your ARES activations and drills to <k1ce@...> for consideration for publication in this newsletter. It will give your people some national-level exposure, and readers a chance to learn from your activity.

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Finally, thanks to Jeff Sabatini, KI6BCX, of Redland Hills, California, for sending me a "California Emergency Kit," consisting of two packages of "Lieutenant Blender's Margarita In A Bag," a can of Spam, and a package of fine cigars! It proved to be a lifeline during the dark days of Tropical Storm Fay . . . See you next month! 73, Rick K1CE

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# 598. North Fulton ARES Net, 9/28/2008, 8:30 pm

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2008-09-28 00:25:13 UTC
From: nfares@yahoogroups.com
Topic: 596  Message: 598

Reminder from: nfares Yahoo! Group
http://groups.yahoo.com/group/nfares/cal

North Fulton ARES Net
Sunday September 28, 2008
8:30 pm - 9:30 pm
(This event repeats every week.)
Location: 147.060 MHz (plus 600kHz) PL 100.0. Backup is 145.470 MHz (minus 600 kHz) PL 100.0

Notes:
Please remember that both repeaters now require a PL tone of 100.0 Hz

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# 599. net control needed for tonight

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2008-09-28 19:03:38 UTC
From: tom burkhart
Topic: 599  Message: 599

Sorry for the late notice, but i will be unable to call the ares net tonight

Tom
ki4mdu

# 600. ARES NET QNI for Sept.28

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2008-09-29 00:53:00 UTC
From: Jim Stafford
Topic: 600  Message: 600

ARES NET 9.28.2008

W4UOC - EC NF
K4YJI - Bill
W4VRX - Jimmy
WX4JMS - John
KJ4GAM - John
W4QO - Jim (NCS)
Announcement: W4UOC spoke of plans to have NF ARES visit the NAMB Disaster Recovery Center in Alpharetta at a future date.

Net closed at 8:45 local time

# 601. North Fulton ARES Net, 10/5/2008, 8:30 pm

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2008-10-03 00:25:38 UTC
From: nfares@yahoogroups.com
Topic: 601  Message: 601

Reminder from: nfares Yahoo! Group
http://groups.yahoo.com/group/nfares/cal

North Fulton ARES Net
Sunday October 5, 2008
8:30 pm - 9:30 pm
(This event repeats every week.)
(The next reminder for this event will be sent in 2 days, 4 minutes.)
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# 602. North Fulton ARES Net, 10/5/2008, 8:30 pm

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2008-10-05 00:25:31 UTC
From: nfares@yahoogroups.com
Topic: 601  Message: 602

Reminder from: nfares Yahoo! Group
http://groups.yahoo.com/group/nfares/cal

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# 603. North Fulton ARES Net Report: Oct 5, 2008

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2008-10-06 00:47:04 UTC
From: Lee Juckett
Topic: 603  Message: 603

This evening we had 11 check-ins to the North Fulton ARES net:
1. W4UOC, Tom
2. N4SEC, Jim
3. K4YJI, Bill
4. KD4NKE, Shelia
5. KD9RU, Dave
6. W4QO, Jim
7. N4CUS, John
8. WB4MAK, Mack
9. KJ4HE, Walt
10. W4VRX, Jimmy
11. AF4IA, Lee - Net Control Station

The net closed at 8:42 PM local time.

73,
- Lee, AF4IA

# 604. North Fulton County ARES Meeting, 10/14/2008, 7:00 pm

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2008-10-07 22:59:14 UTC
From: nfares@yahoogroups.com
Topic: 604  Message: 604

Reminder from: nfares Yahoo! Group
http://groups.yahoo.com/group/nfares/cal

North Fulton County ARES Meeting
Tuesday October 14, 2008
7:00 pm - 8:30 pm
(This event repeats every month on the second Tuesday.)
(The next reminder for this event will be sent in 4 days.)
Location: Sandy Springs City Council Chambers
Street: Morgan Falls Office Park, 7840 Roswell Road Building 500
City State Zip: Sandy Springs, GA 30350

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# 605. Fw: Halloween Hikes at Chattahoochee Nature Center

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2008-10-08 00:58:49 UTC
From: Lee Juckett
Topic: 605  Message: 605
Attachments: 1 described; binary payloads are missing from this source WARC

I mentioned this ham public service event at our last NFARL club meeting.  The Halloween Hikes are a major fund raiser for the Chattahoochee Nature Center, and are a fun amateur radio opportunity as well.

Please contact Charles Turner at k0czr@... if you are able to help out.

73,
- Lee, AF4IA

--- On Mon, 10/6/08, k0czr@... <k0czr@bellsouth.net> wrote:

From: k0czr@... <k0czr@...>
Subject:
To:
Date: Monday, October 6, 2008, 3:35 PM

Hi Radio Volunteers,
   This is my second call for volunteers for the Halloween Hikes this year. If you haven't contacted me before I am leaving tomorrow morning for Nebraska for a week.  I will be returning on the 14th which is only three days before  the first HH night. I need to let them know how many cars to expect to reserve parking for your cars. If you have contacted me in the past after the last message ignore this message.
   Remember to mention if you have your volunteer badges I gave out at previous events.
   Hope to see you at the Halloween Hikes events. 73's Charles Turner

See Attachment:
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k0czr@...

# 606. 2008 The Weather Channel Atlanta Marathon/Half Marathon - Thursday, November 27, 2008

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2008-10-08 14:50:13 UTC
From: David Ziskind, KE4QLH
Topic: 606  Message: 606

Hello,

Can you spare a few hours on Thanksgiving Day to volunteer as a ham radio operator for the Atlanta Marathon and Half Marathon?

- Thursday, November 27, 2008
- Volunteer assignments vary in length. Maximum commitment is 6am-1pm, but most assignments are shorter.
- We need hams to shadow key people, in the pace cars, and along the course.

Please sign up online here:
<http://www.doitsports.com/volunteer2/info.tcl?job_id=24976808>

For more information on the event, please visit <http://www.atlantatrackclub.org/>.

Thank you in advance for volunteering, and please pass this along to anyone else who might be interested.

73,
David Ziskind, KE4QLH
ke4qlh@...
404-966-6864

# 607. North Fulton ARES Net, 10/12/2008, 8:30 pm

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2008-10-10 00:25:33 UTC
From: nfares@yahoogroups.com
Topic: 607  Message: 607

Reminder from: nfares Yahoo! Group
http://groups.yahoo.com/group/nfares/cal

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# 608. North Fulton ARES Meeting Schedule and Agenda Items

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2008-10-10 20:43:01 UTC
From: w4uoc@aol.com
Topic: 608  Message: 608

The next NFARES meeting will be held at the Sandy Springs City Council Chambers, Building 500 in the Morgan Falls Office Park next Tuesday, Oct 14th starting at 7:00 p.m. We will monitor the NFARES repeater 147.06 - 600 100hz if you need directions.

Our agenda for this meeting will include presentation of our "Missions" and training activities for the coming year.

1. Provide a cadre of NFARES members to operate the Disaster Communications facility at the Baptist North American Mission Board, in Alpharetta, GA as needed.

2. Provide communications for a Fulton County CERT drill scheduled for late January at a location to be disclosed later. It will include a Saturday refresher training program for CERT teams and a major CERT drill at an undisclosed site on Sunday. Our ARES group will provide tactical communications for the CERT drill operations command structure. This is being coordinated by the Alpharetta CERT group advisor Lt. Gary Robinson, The Atlanta Fire Department and the CERT organization based in unincorporated Fulton County.

3. Future NFARES meeting will include hands on training on the various communications modes that we will be supporting at the Baptist North American Mission Board DOC.

A. Echolink - December 2008
B. Winlink - January 2009
C. Dstar/DV Dongle - Feb 2009

(Bring a wireless laptop to sessions A, B, C, down load Echolink and Winlink software before coming to these sessions if you have a laptop.)

If you have any questions feel free to contact me.

73

Tom Koch - W4UOC
_w4uoc@..._ (mailto:w4uoc@...)
_www.members.aol.com/w4uoc_ (http://www.members.aol.com/w4uoc)
404-314-6109

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# 609. North Fulton County ARES Meeting, 10/14/2008, 7:00 pm

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2008-10-11 22:55:26 UTC
From: nfares@yahoogroups.com
Topic: 604  Message: 609

Reminder from: nfares Yahoo! Group
http://groups.yahoo.com/group/nfares/cal

North Fulton County ARES Meeting
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# 610. North Fulton ARES Net, 10/12/2008, 8:30 pm

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2008-10-12 00:25:31 UTC
From: nfares@yahoogroups.com
Topic: 607  Message: 610

Reminder from: nfares Yahoo! Group
http://groups.yahoo.com/group/nfares/cal

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# 611. Sunday Night Net 10/12/08 Checkins

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2008-10-13 01:00:39 UTC
From: mccormick_mack
Topic: 611  Message: 611

We had 11 check ins for the net tonight.

Wx4jms john

K4yji bill

W4qo jim

Kj4ecm aaron

N7qpp joe

Kj4he walt

Kj4gam john

Kj4hck Dianne

W4cng steve

Kc4ybo steve

Wb4mak mack

# 612. North Fulton ARES Net, 10/19/2008, 8:30 pm

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2008-10-17 00:25:31 UTC
From: nfares@yahoogroups.com
Topic: 612  Message: 612

Reminder from: nfares Yahoo! Group
http://groups.yahoo.com/group/nfares/cal

North Fulton ARES Net
Sunday October 19, 2008
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# 613. North Fulton ARES Net, 10/19/2008, 8:30 pm

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2008-10-19 00:25:29 UTC
From: nfares@yahoogroups.com
Topic: 612  Message: 613

Reminder from: nfares Yahoo! Group
http://groups.yahoo.com/group/nfares/cal

North Fulton ARES Net
Sunday October 19, 2008
8:30 pm - 9:30 pm
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# 614. ARES FEMA and ARRL Recommended Training Courses

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2008-10-19 13:06:18 UTC
From: w4uoc@aol.com
Topic: 614  Message: 614

If you haven't looked at the independent study programs of FEMA's Emergency Management Institute lately, do yourself a favor and click on:
<http://training.fema.gov/IS/> Many new courses have been added, and a few of the classic original courses have been revised. Some of the newer courses that struck me as significant for ARES members include:

IS-102 Deployment Basics for FEMA Response Partners (New 9/9/2008)
IS-802 Emergency Support Functions (ESF) #2 - Communications (New 8/6/2008)
IS-775 EOC Management and Operations (New 8/6/2008)
IS-100.a Introduction to Incident Command System (Revised 7/28/2008)
IS-200.a ICS for Single Resources and Initial Action Incidents (Revised 7/28/2008)
IS-809 Emergency Support Function (ESF) #9 - Search and Rescue (5/21/2008)
IS-808 Emergency Support Function (ESF) #8 - Public Health and Medical Services (4/11/2008)
IS-800.B National Response Framework, An Introduction (2/4/2008)

FEMA's Independent Study Program offers courses that support the nine mission areas identified by the National Preparedness Goal: Incident Management, Operational Planning, Disaster Logistics, Emergency Communications, Service to Disaster Victims, Continuity Programs, Public Disaster Communications, Integrated Preparedness, and Hazard Mitigation.

Education in all of these should be ARES training goals. Here is what Dennis Dura, K2DCD, ARRL Emergency Preparedness and Response Manager, recently told the nation's Section Managers in re the ESF#2 Communications course: "Many of you may already be aware of this course (IS-802), or have taken it. It is a relatively new FEMA on-line independent study course that presents the concepts of Emergency Support Function #2-Communications. For those that have heard my presentations around the country, I strongly encourage integrating ARES in the local, county, regional or state government emergency operations plans, of which ESF #2 is a part. This presents us a variety of mission options, not beholding to any one specific group, and we become more aligned with the emergency management structure. The course will take approximately 30 minutes to complete."

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# 615. North Fulton ARES Net, 10/19/2008

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2008-10-20 01:03:07 UTC
From: Lee Juckett
Topic: 615  Message: 615

We had 14 check-in's to tonight's North Fulton ARES net:
1. W4UOC, Tom
2. W4VRX, Jimmy
3. WX4JMS, John
4. N4SEC, Jim
5. W4QO, Jim
6. KD9RU, Dave
7. KD4NKE, Shelia
8. WB4MAK, Mack
9. KR4MM, Brian
10. KJ4CJX, Carey
11. N4JDO, Marty
12. KJ4HCB, Paul
13. KJ4HCA, Lionel
14. AF4IA, Lee - Net Control Station

The net closed at 8:52 PM local time.

This email is distributed through the NFARES Yahoo Group, but some of the check-in stations may not subscribe to this group. If you know someone who wishes to subscribe, please have them send an email message to:
nfares-subscribe@yahoogroups.com

73 to all,
- Lee, AF4IA

# 616. North Fulton ARES Net, 10/26/2008, 8:30 pm

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2008-10-24 00:25:34 UTC
From: nfares@yahoogroups.com
Topic: 616  Message: 616

Reminder from: nfares Yahoo! Group
http://groups.yahoo.com/group/nfares/cal

North Fulton ARES Net
Sunday October 26, 2008
8:30 pm - 9:30 pm
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# 617. North Fulton ARES Net, 10/26/2008, 8:30 pm

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2008-10-26 00:25:13 UTC
From: nfares@yahoogroups.com
Topic: 616  Message: 617

Reminder from: nfares Yahoo! Group
http://groups.yahoo.com/group/nfares/cal

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Sunday October 26, 2008
8:30 pm - 9:30 pm
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# 618. nfares net report

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2008-10-27 01:13:09 UTC
From: tom burkhart
Topic: 618  Message: 618

We had 10 checkins, and the net closed at 8:39

W4VXR JIMMY
AF4IA LEE
N4SEC JIM
KD9RU DAVE
KD4NKE SHELIA
WX4JMS JOHN
KJ4GAM JOHN
KJ4HCK IAN
WB4MAK MACK
AJ4LW TOM (NCS)

# 619. North Fulton ARES Net, 11/2/2008, 8:30 pm

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2008-10-31 01:25:28 UTC
From: nfares@yahoogroups.com
Topic: 619  Message: 619

Reminder from: nfares Yahoo! Group
http://groups.yahoo.com/group/nfares/cal

North Fulton ARES Net
Sunday November 2, 2008
8:30 pm - 9:30 pm
(This event repeats every week.)
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# 620. North Fulton ARES Net, 11/2/2008, 8:30 pm

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2008-11-02 01:25:17 UTC
From: nfares@yahoogroups.com
Topic: 619  Message: 620

Reminder from: nfares Yahoo! Group
http://groups.yahoo.com/group/nfares/cal

North Fulton ARES Net
Sunday November 2, 2008
8:30 pm - 9:30 pm
(This event repeats every week.)
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# 621. North Fulton ARES Weekly Net Report

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2008-11-03 01:53:42 UTC
From: Lee Juckett
Topic: 621  Message: 621

We had 11 check-in's for tonight's North Fulton ARES net:

1. AF4FO, Susan
2. K4HBI, Mike
3. W4CNG, Steve
4. N4SEC, Jim
5. AJ4LW, Tom
6. KD9RU, Dave
7. KD4NKE, Shelia
8. WB4MAK, Mack
9. W4UOC, Tom
10. K3WNL, John
11. AF4IA, Lee-Net Control Station

Our next NFARES meeting is scheduled on Veteran's Day, November 11. However, the Sandy Springs City Hall is closed for the holiday, so another location is being pursued. Please look for more information via email or on next Sunday night's net.

73 to all,
- Lee, AF4IA

# 623. North Fulton ARES meeting date change!

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2008-11-06 01:02:09 UTC
From: w4uoc@aol.com
Topic: 623  Message: 623

Due to some potential conflicts with the Sandy Springs City planning meetings needs for more room, we are changing the meeting dates to the second Wednesday of each month at the same location, Building 500, Sandy Springs office center, city council chambers at the Morgan Falls Office Complex. This is just north of the intersection of Roswell Road and Morgan Falls. We will monitor the ARES repeater, 147.06+ 100Hz for talk-in directions if needed.

The meeting starts at 7:00 p.m.with some meeting for dinner next door (Tijuana Joe's) at 5:45 p.m.

The program for the meeting will include training and hands on practice with Winlink, Echolink, D-star and D-star using the DV dongle. Bring a laptop computer if you have one and we will load Winlink and Echolink for you if needed.

We could use some additional experienced "trainers" to assist with the hands-on training. If you can help please let me know. We will have a WiFi connection available for the meeting.

We hope to see you next WEDNESDAY November 12th.

We will also be discussing our groups support for a Fulton County CERT, simulated disaster drill scheduled for January 24-25, 2009.

I am also supporting a Sandy Springs Disaster Drill scheduled for tomorrow, November 6th. This drill scenario is based on a medical helicopter crash off Dunwooy Place near GA-400. I have alerted a few of our members to monitor the ARES repeater tomorrow for possible traffic in support of this drill.

Tom Koch - W4UOC
EC North Fulton Amateur Radio Emergency Services (ARES)
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# 624. North Fulton ARES Net, 11/9/2008, 8:30 pm

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2008-11-07 01:25:34 UTC
From: nfares@yahoogroups.com
Topic: 624  Message: 624

Reminder from: nfares Yahoo! Group
http://groups.yahoo.com/group/nfares/cal

North Fulton ARES Net
Sunday November 9, 2008
8:30 pm - 9:30 pm
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# 626. North Fulton ARES Net, 11/9/2008, 8:30 pm

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2008-11-09 01:25:28 UTC
From: nfares@yahoogroups.com
Topic: 624  Message: 626

Reminder from: nfares Yahoo! Group
http://groups.yahoo.com/group/nfares/cal

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Sunday November 9, 2008
8:30 pm - 9:30 pm
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# 628. NFARES Net Results 11/09/2008

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2008-11-10 04:09:11 UTC
From: Shelia Staton
Topic: 628  Message: 628

November 9, 2008 ARES Net

There were 9 check-ins this evening:

AF4FO Susan
K4HBI Mike
W4UOC Tom
W4CNG Steve
KD9RU Dave
N4CUS John
W4QO Jim
WB4MAK Mack
KD4NKE Shelia (Net Control)

The next monthly meeting of the North Fulton Amateur Radio Emergency Services group will be Wednesday, November 12th at the City of Sandy Springs Council Chambers (7840 Roswell Road, Building 500, Sandy Springs, GA 30350). The meeting will begin at 7:00 p.m.

A group will be meeting at Tijuana Joes (just north of Sandy Springs City Hall on Roswell Road) at 5:45 for dinner. Anyone who is interested is cordially invited.

The net was concluded at 8:50 p.m. Thank you to all who participated.

Respectfully submitted,

Shelia Staton
KD4NKE

# 629. WinLink/AirMail software download site

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2008-11-10 20:14:40 UTC
From: w4uoc@aol.com
Topic: 629  Message: 629

During the Nov 12th. NFARES hands-on training sessions, one of the work stations will be set up for training on WinLink/AirMail. If you want to download the software go to _http://www.winlink.org/_ (http://www.winlink.org/) and download and install WinLink 2000. Also be sure to register on the site so you can use the WinLink/AirMail site after you have completed the training sessions.

EchoLink will also be one of the training centers. To download the EchoLink software go to _http://www.echolink.org/_ (http://www.echolink.org/) . You will also need to register on the EchoLink system to be able to access that system after completing the training session.

We will also have training on the use of D-star equipment for voice and slow speed data transmissions using D-rats as well as accessing D-star utilizing the DVdongle.

If you download any of the above mentioned software onto a laptop, bring it to the training session.

We hope to see you there. Remember the meeting starts at 7:00 p.m. at the Sandy Springs City Complex just north of the intersection of Morgan Falls and Roswell Road in the Morgan Falls Office Complex, Building 500. Some will be meeting at Tijuana Joe's just north of the complex for dinner prior to the meeting most arriving about 5:30 p.m.

Tom Koch - W4UOC
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# 630. Nov 12 NFARES meeting.

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2008-11-10 21:48:21 UTC
From: w4uoc@aol.com
Topic: 630  Message: 630

Thank you for offering to help with the NFARES training sessions during our meeting scheduled for Nov 12th at the Sandy Springs City office complex, starting at 7:00 p.m.

I believe you have volunteered for the following hands on training sessions.

1. W4CNG - Steve Echolink and you will bring your laptop with a Internet connect card.

2. WB4MAK - Mac DVdongle with laptop and calling card.

3. W4UOC - Tom WinLink will have laptop with WiFi connection

4. N4SEC - Jim will bring the WiFi wireless router and calling card for connection

5. W4UOC - Tom will demonstrate Dstar and Drats and will bring ID-800 and antenna

I have remote stations standing by to accept our test traffic on all modes.

Let me know if there are any changes, etc.

Tom Koch - W4UOC
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# 631. North Fulton County ARES Meeting, 11/12/2008, 7:00 pm

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2008-11-12 00:00:47 UTC
From: nfares@yahoogroups.com
Topic: 631  Message: 631

Reminder from: nfares Yahoo! Group
http://groups.yahoo.com/group/nfares/cal

North Fulton County ARES Meeting
Wednesday November 12, 2008
7:00 pm - 8:30 pm
Location: Sandy Springs City Council Chambers
Street: Morgan Falls Office Park, 7840 Roswell Road Building 500
City State Zip: Sandy Springs, GA 30350

Notes:
This month is Winlink, Echolink, and D-Star training. Bring a laptop if you would like software.

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# 632. Fw: Christmas Parade

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2008-11-13 12:39:54 UTC
From: Lee Juckett
Topic: 632  Message: 632

This is a fun event that really needs communicators to help pull the pieces of the parade together and keep it flowing.

Please reply to Tim Rosing at kc4elv@...  If you have any questions about the event, I'd be glad to answer them.

73,
- Lee, AF4IA

--- On Wed, 11/12/08, KC4ELV <kc4elv@...> wrote:

From: KC4ELV <kc4elv@...>
Subject: Christmas Parade
Date: Wednesday, November 12, 2008, 10:26 PM

Its time to ask for support for radio operators for the Dec 6th Childrens Health Care of Atlanta Christmas Parade. Please spread the word and let me know if you can help. details will follow as they develop. Hours are 8am to 12p. Please excuse me if I included you in this mailing and I may have you on my contacts list for another reason.
Tim KC4ELV

# 633. North Fulton ARES Net, 11/16/2008, 8:30 pm

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2008-11-14 01:25:22 UTC
From: nfares@yahoogroups.com
Topic: 633  Message: 633

Reminder from: nfares Yahoo! Group
http://groups.yahoo.com/group/nfares/cal

North Fulton ARES Net
Sunday November 16, 2008
8:30 pm - 9:30 pm
(This event repeats every week.)
(The next reminder for this event will be sent in 2 days, 4 minutes.)
Location: 147.060 MHz (plus 600kHz) PL 100.0. Backup is 145.470 MHz (minus 600 kHz) PL 100.0

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# 634. North Fulton ARES Net, 11/16/2008, 8:30 pm

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2008-11-16 01:25:26 UTC
From: nfares@yahoogroups.com
Topic: 633  Message: 634

Reminder from: nfares Yahoo! Group
http://groups.yahoo.com/group/nfares/cal

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# 635. North Fulton County ARES Net Report, Nov 16, 2008

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2008-11-17 01:53:08 UTC
From: Lee Juckett
Topic: 635  Message: 635

We had 14 check-in's for tonight's NFARES net:
1. AF4FO, Susan
2. K4HBI, Mike
3. W4UOC, Tom
4. K4YJI, Bill
5. N4SEC, Jim
6. WB4MAK, Mack
7. W4QO, Jim
8. W4VRX, Jimmy
9. KD9RU, Dave
10. KD4NKE, Shelia
11. KJ4BWO, Dave
12. N4JDO, Marti
13. KI4SGU, Jorge-Luis
14. AF4IA, Lee (Net Control Station)

The net closed at 8:44 pm local time.

73,
- Lee, AF4IA

# 636. North Fulton ARES Net, 11/23/2008, 8:30 pm

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2008-11-21 01:25:27 UTC
From: nfares@yahoogroups.com
Topic: 636  Message: 636

Reminder from: nfares Yahoo! Group
http://groups.yahoo.com/group/nfares/cal

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# 637. North Fulton ARES Net, 11/23/2008, 8:30 pm

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2008-11-23 01:25:27 UTC
From: nfares@yahoogroups.com
Topic: 636  Message: 637

Reminder from: nfares Yahoo! Group
http://groups.yahoo.com/group/nfares/cal

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# 638. Sunday Night Net, November 23, 2008

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2008-11-24 01:50:50 UTC
From: mccormick_mack
Topic: 638  Message: 638

For tonight's net we had nine check-ins:

wx4jms john marrietta
w4vrx jimmy roswell
k4yji bill east cobb
n4sec jim alpharetta
kd9ru dave milton
kd4nke shelia sandy springs
k4wip paul
kj4dyl gary north fulton county
wb4mak mack milton

next meeting is the second Wednesday, December 10th

# 639. North Fulton ARES Net, 11/30/2008, 8:30 pm

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2008-11-28 01:25:24 UTC
From: nfares@yahoogroups.com
Topic: 639  Message: 639

Reminder from: nfares Yahoo! Group
http://groups.yahoo.com/group/nfares/cal

North Fulton ARES Net
Sunday November 30, 2008
8:30 pm - 9:30 pm
(This event repeats every week.)
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# 640. North Fulton ARES Net, 11/30/2008, 8:30 pm

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2008-11-30 01:25:26 UTC
From: nfares@yahoogroups.com
Topic: 639  Message: 640

Reminder from: nfares Yahoo! Group
http://groups.yahoo.com/group/nfares/cal

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Sunday November 30, 2008
8:30 pm - 9:30 pm
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# 641. North Fulton County ARES Net Report November 30, 2008

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2008-12-01 01:44:55 UTC
From: Lee Juckett
Topic: 641  Message: 641

We had 10 check-in's for tonight's North Fulton ARES net:

1.  N4SEC, Jim
2.  W4UOC, Tom
3.  K4YJI, Bill
4.  WB4MAK, Mack
5.  N4CLA, Fred
6.  K4HBI, Mike
7.  AF4FO, Susan
8.  N4JDO, Marty
9.  KJ4HCB, Paul
10.  AF4IA, Lee, NCS

The net closed at 8:40 PM local time.

73,
- Lee, AF4IA

# 642. North Fulton ARES Net, 12/7/2008, 8:30 pm

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2008-12-05 01:25:29 UTC
From: nfares@yahoogroups.com
Topic: 642  Message: 642

Reminder from: nfares Yahoo! Group
http://groups.yahoo.com/group/nfares/cal

North Fulton ARES Net
Sunday December 7, 2008
8:30 pm - 9:30 pm
(This event repeats every week.)
(The next reminder for this event will be sent in 2 days, 4 minutes.)
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# 643. North Fulton ARES Net, 12/7/2008, 8:30 pm

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2008-12-07 01:25:20 UTC
From: nfares@yahoogroups.com
Topic: 642  Message: 643

Reminder from: nfares Yahoo! Group
http://groups.yahoo.com/group/nfares/cal

North Fulton ARES Net
Sunday December 7, 2008
8:30 pm - 9:30 pm
(This event repeats every week.)
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# 644. NFARES Packet Winlink Installation

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2008-12-07 22:45:24 UTC
From: w4uoc@aol.com
Topic: 644  Message: 644

I have set up a Winlink station for use of the North Fulton Amateur Radio Emergency Service.
We can now accept Winlink/Airmail check-ins for our Sunday evening Net within 12 hours of the regular net time which is 8:30 p.m. every Sunday evening. The net normally meets on 147.060+ MHz with a 100 Hz tone.

You can also connect and leave a message via packet radio on the frequency of 145.030 MHz (simplex) by connecting either directly on that frequency to w4uoc-1 my Packet Bulletin Board System or via the Lawrenceville digipeater (LAW)! (w4uoc-1 via LAW)

Winlink or email check-ins will be accepted up to 12 hours prior to the normal net time.

If you need or want additional training on utilizing Winlink via packet radio you are welcome to visit my QTH for additional training or help in setting up your own packet station.

Tom Koch - EC, North Fulton Amateur Radio Emergency Service
404-314-6109

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# 645. No December NFARES Meeting

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2008-12-07 23:04:12 UTC
From: w4uoc@aol.com
Topic: 645  Message: 645

Despite the bulletin announcement, there will not be a NFARES meeting on December 10th as previously announced.

Tom Koch - W4UOC
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# 646. North Fulton ARES Net, 12/7/2008

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2008-12-08 02:01:12 UTC
From: Lee Juckett
Topic: 646  Message: 646

We had 12 check-in's for tonight's North Fulton ARES net:

1. AF4FO, Susan-Georgia Section Manager
2. K4HBI, Mike-Official Observer Coordinator
3. W4UOC, Tom-EC North Fulton County
4. N4SEC, Jim
5. KD4NKE, Shelia
6. N4JDO, Marty
7. N7QPP, Joe
8. W4QO, Jim (via WinLink to W4UOC)
9. KJ4HCB, Paul
10. KJ4DYL, Gary
11. KJ4HMS, John
12. AF4IA, Lee-NCS

Tom noted that there will be no North Fulton ARES meeting in December, regardless of any announcements from the Yahoo! Group.

Also, he is now accepting check-in's via WinLink up to 12 hours before the weekly net. Send your message via WinLink to w4uoc@... or w4uoc@... or w4uoc@....  Jim W4QO checked in via WinLink this evening.

Finally, Tom advised that Shelia KD4NKE has graciously accepted the responsibility of handling our monthly report.

The net closed at 8:42 PM local time.

73 to all,
- Lee, AF4IA

# 647. North Fulton ARES Net, 12/14/2008, 8:30 pm

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2008-12-12 01:25:27 UTC
From: nfares@yahoogroups.com
Topic: 647  Message: 647

Reminder from: nfares Yahoo! Group
http://groups.yahoo.com/group/nfares/cal

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Sunday December 14, 2008
8:30 pm - 9:30 pm
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# 648. North Fulton ARES Net, 12/14/2008, 8:30 pm

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2008-12-14 01:25:22 UTC
From: nfares@yahoogroups.com
Topic: 647  Message: 648

Reminder from: nfares Yahoo! Group
http://groups.yahoo.com/group/nfares/cal

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# 649. Fwd: NFARES - Emory Johns Creek Hosp - Drill week of Dec 14--19

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2008-12-15 01:42:15 UTC
From: w4uoc@aol.com
Topic: 649  Message: 649

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From: W4UOC@...
To: w4uoc@...
Sent: 12/14/2008 8:32:20 P.M. Eastern Standard Time
Subj: NFARES - Emory Johns Creek Hosp - Drill week of Dec 14--19

We have been asked to participate in a Emergency Preparedness Drill with Emory Johns Creek Hospital sometime this week to provide test communications links between the administration of the hospital and our NFARES group. Please advise if you would be willing to participate in this brief drill probably lasting for less than an hour, during the day, probably later in the week. You can participate in this drill with either your base or mobile equipment.
After the drill date and time is published
I will alert you to the drill details via email and then on the day of the drill we will do all communications on the 147.06 + 100Hz repeater.

If you have any questions please direct them to me via email to w4uoc@... or via phone to my cell 404-314-6109

Tom Koch - W4UOC
EC North Fulton Amateur Radio Emergency Service

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# 650. North Fulton ARES Net Report, December 14, 2008

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2008-12-15 01:47:54 UTC
From: Lee Juckett
Topic: 650  Message: 650

We had 10 check-in's to tonight's NFARES net:

1.  W4UOC, Tom
2.  N4SEC, Jim
3.  K4YJI, Bill
4.  KD9RU, Dave
5.  W4QO, Jim
6.  KD4NKE, Shelia
7.  KJ4HMF, John
8.  N4ZAZ, Randy
9.  N4TOL, John
10.  AF4IA, Lee-NCS

Tom's announcement regarding the upcoming emergency preparedness drill has already been posted to the NFARL and NFARES Yahoo! Groups.

73,
- Lee, AF4IA

# 651. Emory Johns Creek Hospital - Drill Update

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2008-12-15 20:04:21 UTC
From: w4uoc@aol.com
Topic: 651  Message: 651

I spoke with David Caldwell the Plant Operations Manager for Emory Johns Creek Hospital and it appears that the Emergency Preparedness Exercise/Drill will be held next Monday, December 22nd starting around 9:30 a.m. I will send out via email more details as they become available. We can also review the various aspects of the drill on the Sunday NFARES net on 147.06 +600 with 100Hz tone starting at 8:30 p.m.

Message previously sent

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links between the administration of the hospital and our NFARES group. Please
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# 652. Emory Johns Creek Hospital Simulated Tornado Drill

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2008-12-17 14:30:49 UTC
From: w4uoc@aol.com
Topic: 652  Message: 652

The Emory Johns Creek Hospital, Simulated Tornado Drill/SET will be next Monday, December 22nd starting at 9:00 a.m. We will start the drill on the NFARES repeater, 147.06 +600 with a 100Hz tone. The drill will simulate a tornado passing thru the North Fulton and Forsyth County areas. The drill will start with a check in of any and all participating stations regardless if they are NFARES or any other ARES members followed by accepting check ins from non ARES active members.

We will start with a net control preamble similar to the normal NFARES procedures. After the normal check in we will simulate having the repeater shut down and move the net to 146.520 simplex and then call each station that previously checked into the net on the repeater to see what the coverage might be only on simplex. For those of you new to the use of simplex, remember that there is no negative or positive offset used on the simplex frequency.

Remember, to check in under either duplex or simplex you first say " This is" un key to make sure the frequency is clear, and if so, say " Your call, phonetically and with your name and location". Following the roll call check in your station will be called for you to report your precise location such as your address including city and/or mobile location such as a street intersection or GPS coordinates.

For any that have D-Star radios we will also have a similar roll call using the KI4SBA port B digital repeater at the same time.

We will plot the location of all participating stations on a map to better understand the coverage we have using both the repeater, simplex and D-Star modes.

I would assume that this Simulated Emergency Test will take approximately one hour.

We are looking forward to your participation in this event.

73

Tom Koch - W4UOC
Emergency Coordinator - North Fulton Amateur Radio Emergency Service
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# 653. Emory Johns Creek Hospital Simulated Tornado Drill

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2008-12-17 15:10:45 UTC
From: w4uoc@aol.com
Topic: 652  Message: 653

Another update on the Emory Johns Creek Hospital Drill.
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Try to use emergency power for your check in if possible. We will be simulating a Tornado, wide spread wind damage with potential commercial power disruptions. Report during your initial check in if you are on emergency power. We will ask for your detailed position report following the completion of all initial check-ins, giving those on emergency power priority.

In a message dated 12/17/2008 9:32:21 A.M. Eastern Standard Time, w4uoc@... writes:

The Emory Johns Creek Hospital, Simulated Tornado Drill/SET will be next Monday, December 22nd starting at 9:00 a.m. We will start the drill on the NFARES repeater, 147.06 +600 with a 100Hz tone. The drill will simulate a tornado passing thru the North Fulton and Forsyth County areas. The drill will start with a check in of any and all participating stations regardless if they are NFARES or any other ARES members followed by accepting check ins from non ARES active members.

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Save energy. Save the planet.

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Gmail, and Yahoo Mail. Try it now.
(http://www.aol.com/?optin=new-dp&icid=aolcom40vanity&ncid=emlcntaolcom00000025)

# 654. North Fulton ARES Net, 12/21/2008, 8:30 pm

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2008-12-19 01:25:29 UTC
From: nfares@yahoogroups.com
Topic: 654  Message: 654

Reminder from: nfares Yahoo! Group
http://groups.yahoo.com/group/nfares/cal

North Fulton ARES Net
Sunday December 21, 2008
8:30 pm - 9:30 pm
(This event repeats every week.)
(The next reminder for this event will be sent in 2 days, 4 minutes.)
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# 655. North Fulton ARES Net, 12/21/2008, 8:30 pm

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2008-12-21 01:25:21 UTC
From: nfares@yahoogroups.com
Topic: 654  Message: 655

Reminder from: nfares Yahoo! Group
http://groups.yahoo.com/group/nfares/cal

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# 656. Net Report for 12/21/2008 NFARES Net

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2008-12-22 03:35:49 UTC
From: Shelia Staton
Topic: 656  Message: 656

There were 9 check-ins for the Sunday, 12/21/2008 NFARES Net:

N4SEC - Jim
AF4IA - Lee
KD9RU - Dave
KI4TBD - Erwin
KJ4HFF - John
KI4DSO - George
W4QO - Jim
WB4MAK - Mack
KD4NKE - Shelia (Net Control)

The net concluded at 8:43 p.m. Thank you to all who participated.

Have a safe and happy holiday!

Shelia
KD4NKE

# 657. North Fulton ARES Net, 12/28/2008, 8:30 pm

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2008-12-26 01:25:22 UTC
From: nfares@yahoogroups.com
Topic: 657  Message: 657

Reminder from: nfares Yahoo! Group
http://groups.yahoo.com/group/nfares/cal

North Fulton ARES Net
Sunday December 28, 2008
8:30 pm - 9:30 pm
(This event repeats every week.)
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# 658. SKN Straight Key Night is coming up !

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2008-12-27 21:40:48 UTC
From: w4uoc@aol.com
Topic: 658  Message: 658

You guys over 50 might remember some of this.

h_ttp://www.youtube.com/watch?v=GariPuyCiCo_
(http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=GariPuyCiCo)

Hope you all had a great Holiday Season.

Tom Koch - W4UOC

**********One site keeps you connected to all your email: AOL Mail,
Gmail, and Yahoo Mail. Try it now.
(http://www.aol.com/?optin=new-dp&icid=aolcom40vanity&ncid=emlcntaolcom00000025)

# 659. North Fulton ARES Net, 12/28/2008, 8:30 pm

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2008-12-28 01:25:19 UTC
From: nfares@yahoogroups.com
Topic: 657  Message: 659

Reminder from: nfares Yahoo! Group
http://groups.yahoo.com/group/nfares/cal

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# 660. Net Report for the 12/28/2008 NFARES Net

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2008-12-29 02:22:35 UTC
From: Shelia Staton
Topic: 660  Message: 660

There were 12 check-ins for the Sunday, 12/28/2008, NFARES Net:

W4CNG - Steve
K4YJI - Bob
KI4GHT - Bob
WB4MAK - Mack
KD9RU - Dave
K4YJJ - Bill
W4QO - Jim
KJ4HCV - Paul
N4CLA - Fred
KJ4DYL - Gary
WX4JMS - John
KD4NKE - Shelia (Net Control)

The net concluded at 8:45 p.m. Thank you to all who participated.

Have a happy and safe New Year!

Shelia
KD4NKE

# 661. Way to go Tom and NF ARES...

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2008-12-31 00:04:14 UTC
From: Jim Stafford
Topic: 661  Message: 661

This is from Susan's latest GA NEWSletter:

** NORTH FULTON ARES--- Members of this group participated in an emergency drill with Emory Johns Creek Hospital on December 22. With additional support from other ARES groups, there was a total of 20 participants, who used both VHF and D-Star during the exercise.

If you do not get her newsletter, it's available online. Go to the NFARL website and lower right corner is a map of GA, click on it and then GA Section on my mind. For this month, just go here:

http://www.arrl-ga.org/gsomm/gaomm0109.html

# 662. North Fulton ARES Net, 1/4/2009, 8:30 pm

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2009-01-02 01:25:27 UTC
From: nfares@yahoogroups.com
Topic: 662  Message: 662

Reminder from: nfares Yahoo! Group
http://groups.yahoo.com/group/nfares/cal

North Fulton ARES Net
Sunday January 4, 2009
8:30 pm - 9:30 pm
(This event repeats every week.)
(The next reminder for this event will be sent in 2 days, 4 minutes.)
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# 663. North Fulton ARES Net, 1/4/2009, 8:30 pm

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2009-01-04 01:25:24 UTC
From: nfares@yahoogroups.com
Topic: 662  Message: 663

Reminder from: nfares Yahoo! Group
http://groups.yahoo.com/group/nfares/cal

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Sunday January 4, 2009
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# 664. North Fulton County ARES Net Reprt, 1/4/09

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2009-01-05 01:58:29 UTC
From: Lee Juckett
Topic: 664  Message: 664

We had 8 check-in's for tonight's North Fulton County ARES net:

1. W4UOC, Tom-EC for North Fulton County
2. N4JDO, Marty
3. KD4NKE, Shelia
4. WB4MAK, Mack
5. KI4GHT, Bob
6. KJ4HCD, Paul
7. N4SEC, Jim
8. AF4IA, Lee-NCS

There were several comments about the repeater this evening. Please remember that a PL tone of 100.0 Hertz is required to access both the 147.060 machine we use for the NFARES net as well as for our back-up repeater of 145.470. We normally use the 147.060 repeater because it has emergency power, making it available for us regardless of commercial power availability in case of an emergency in our area. If you are having difficulty programming your radio for these repeaters, please reply by email and one of us will try to help you resolve the issue.

The net closed at 8:45 pm local time.

73,
- Lee, AF4IA

# 665. Severe Weather on Tues 1/06 Wed 1/07

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2009-01-05 14:49:42 UTC
From: John Sibley, WX4JMS
Topic: 665  Message: 665

If you have anything outside you need to secure, severe weather is expected Tuesday into Wednesday. Now is the time to prepare before tomorrow's storms.
John de WX4JMS

# 666. January 14, 2009 North Fulton Amateur Radio Emergency Service (NFARES)

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2009-01-07 21:23:29 UTC
From: w4uoc@aol.com
Topic: 666  Message: 666
Attachments: 1 described; binary payloads are missing from this source WARC

The January 14, 2009 NFARES meeting will be held at the ESI University' WebEOC Training Center instead of the Sandy Springs City Council Chambers. We will have a presentation by Laurie Wood Business Unit Manager, of the ESI University to educate us as to the capabilities and operations of a state of the art Emergency Operating Center. Laurie is also an amateur and member of the Forsyth County ARES organization.

(http://www.esi911.com/home/index.php?option=com_content&task=view&id=132)

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Coming from the West on Roswell Road, turn East on Dunwoody Place NE and turn into the office complex at 8601, just west of the Roberts Drive intersection.

Suite 126 is on the East side of the complex adjacent to GA-400

The office complex is across Dunwoody Place from the Coca Cola distribution center.

We will provide talk-in on the 147.06 repeater if you need driving directions.

Those interested in having dinner before the meeting you are welcome to join us at Tijuana Joe's just North of the Sandy Springs City Council offices just North of the intersection of Roswell Road and Morgan Falls and then caravan to the ESi University at 6:30. I would suggest we try to meet for dinner no later than 5:30 in order to have time get to the ESi University site.

If you have any questions feel free to call me at 404-314-6109.

Tom Koch - W4UOC
EC, North Fulton Amateur Radio Emergency Service

**********New year...new news. Be the first to know what is making headlines. (http://www.aol.com/?ncid=emlcntaolcom00000026)

# 667. North Fulton ARES Net, 1/11/2009, 8:30 pm

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2009-01-09 01:25:09 UTC
From: nfares@yahoogroups.com
Topic: 667  Message: 667

Reminder from: nfares Yahoo! Group
http://groups.yahoo.com/group/nfares/cal

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# 668. January 14, 2009 NFARES meeting - 7:00 P.M.

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2009-01-09 21:05:21 UTC
From: w4uoc@aol.com
Topic: 668  Message: 668
Attachments: 1 described; binary payloads are missing from this source WARC

THIS IS A SECOND ANNOUNCEMENT ABOUT THE JANUARY 14TH NFARES MEETING!
SINCE SPACE MAY BE LIMITED, PLEASE RESPOND, WITH YOUR INDICATION, IF YOU
PLAN TO ATTEND. RESPOND VIA EMAIL TO _W4UOC@..._ (mailto:W4UOC@...)

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EC, North Fulton Amateur Radio Emergency Service

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# 669. North Fulton ARES Net, 1/11/2009, 8:30 pm

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2009-01-11 01:25:10 UTC
From: nfares@yahoogroups.com
Topic: 667  Message: 669

Reminder from: nfares Yahoo! Group
http://groups.yahoo.com/group/nfares/cal

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# 670. North Fulton County ARES Meeting, 1/14/2009, 7:00 pm

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2009-01-14 00:02:02 UTC
From: nfares@yahoogroups.com
Topic: 670  Message: 670

Reminder from: nfares Yahoo! Group
http://groups.yahoo.com/group/nfares/cal

North Fulton County ARES Meeting
Wednesday January 14, 2009
7:00 pm - 8:30 pm
(This event repeats every month on the second Wednesday.)
Location: Sandy Springs City Council Chambers
Street: Morgan Falls Office Park, 7840 Roswell Road Building 500
City State Zip: Sandy Springs, GA 30350

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# 671. North Fulton ARES Net, 1/18/2009, 8:30 pm

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2009-01-16 01:25:34 UTC
From: nfares@yahoogroups.com
Topic: 671  Message: 671

Reminder from: nfares Yahoo! Group
http://groups.yahoo.com/group/nfares/cal

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Sunday January 18, 2009
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# 672. North Fulton ARES Net, 1/18/2009, 8:30 pm

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2009-01-18 01:25:33 UTC
From: nfares@yahoogroups.com
Topic: 671  Message: 672

Reminder from: nfares Yahoo! Group
http://groups.yahoo.com/group/nfares/cal

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# 673. ATTENTION!

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2009-01-18 13:19:25 UTC
From: Jim Stafford
Topic: 673  Message: 673

In the future, please address Shelia as GENERAL STATON!

Yes, KD4NKE passed her General exam yesterday and congratulations are in order.

OK, as you were!

jim/w4qo

# 674. For Sale Tentec Paragon

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2009-01-18 22:13:39 UTC
From: w4uoc@aol.com
Topic: 674  Message: 674

I have two TenTec Paragon HF, 100 watt output, transceivers for sale that I have acquired from estates. Each includes the matching power supply/speaker and microphone. $800.00. Both have been checked out at Tentec and can be seen and operated at my QTH if you are interested. They have all stock filters and are in excellent cosmetic and operating condition. Contact, Tom Koch - W4UOC, 8170 Habersham Waters Road, Sandy Springs, GA 30350 404-314-6109 or via email _W4UOC@..._ (mailto:W4UOC@...)

**********A Good Credit Score is 700 or Above. See yours in just 2 easy steps!
(http://pr.atwola.com/promoclk/100000075x1215855013x1201028747/aol?redir=http://www.freecreditreport.com/pm/default.aspx?sc=668072%26hmpgID=62%26bcd=DecemailfooterNO62)

# 675. Net Report for the 01/18/2009 NFARES Net

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2009-01-19 02:21:55 UTC
From: Shelia Staton
Topic: 675  Message: 675

There were 13 check-ins for the Sunday, 1/18/2009, NFARES Net:

AF4FO Susan
K4HBI Mike
W4UOC Tom
W4CNG Steve
W4QO Jim
K4YJI Bill
AF4IA Lee
WB4MAK Mack
N4SEC Jim
KD9RU Dave
N4CUS John
KJ4DYL Gary
KD4NKE Shelia (Net Control)

Mack (WB4MAK) reminded everyone of the Technet on 145.47 on Monday evening at 8:30 and of the Club's monthly meeting at the Alpharetta Masonic Lodge at 7:30 p.m. on Tuesday, January 20th.

The net concluded at 8:40 p.m.

Thanks to all of you for participating.

Shelia
KD4NKE

# 676. February 11th.NFARES Meeting - Program

Yahoo group: nfares
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From: w4uoc@aol.com
Topic: 676  Message: 676

Jim Stafford, W4QO, will present the program during the February 11th. (Wednesday) NFARES meeting which will be held at the Sandy Springs, City Council Chambers. The meeting will start at 7:00 p.m. The city council chambers are located in Building 500 of the Morgan Falls Office Complex, just North of the intersection of Roswell Road and Morgan Falls in Sandy Springs. If you have any questions pertaining to this meeting or about ARES in general feel free to contact me at _w4uoc@..._ (mailto:w4uoc@...) or at 404-314-6109.

Tom Koch - W4UOC
Emergency Coordinator - North Fulton Amateur Radio Emergency Service (NFARES)

Basic Traffic Handling Techniques

In this seminar, you will learn (or relearn) the following:

1. How to structure a RadioGram
2. How to use HX and other shortcuts
3. How to pass a message and deal with errors
4. How to check into a net and net procedures
5. How to act as NCS and using tactical callsigns
6. How to move traffic efficiently using multiple frequencies.

You should bring a handheld (if you have one) programmed for the following frequencies: 147.06 (+), 145.47 (-), 444.475 (+), 443.150 (+), 145.41 (-), and 146.49 (simplex) if possible. Put PL100 on all channels even though it is not required on some. Do not worry if you do not or can't remember how to program these frequencies! Bring a pencil or two - paper and message forms will be provided.
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# 677. The ARES E-Letter for January 21, 2009

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January 21, 2009
Editor: _Rick Palm, K1CE_ (mailto:k1ce@...)

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(http://www.arrl.org/nladclick.php?n=ae&i=2009-01-21&t=t)
The View from Flagler County .....
A new year, and a new look for the ARES E-Letter! We hope you will find value added in this new html edition, with photos, graphics and tables. For readers who prefer the _text-only version_ (mip://02866440/FandES/field/ares-el/about.html#plaintext) , each message contains both a plain-text version and an
HTML version. Your e-mail program can select the one to display.
Astute readers will also observe that there are ads. The revenue generated by these advertisements offsets the expense of producing this newsletter and more: It goes to supporting the significant ARRL initiatives in the Amateur Radio emcomm arena, including the ARES program, publications and planning, and a dedicated support staff in Newington. In other words, ad revenue goes to a good cause. And, of course, the ads may be of special interest to emcomm operators.

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It has been a quiet holiday season for Flagler ARES, but our meeting was held this past Tuesday night at the Flagler firehouse (too late for a report in this issue) to kick off 2009, with only five months before hurricane season.


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ARES Docket
Marion County, Oregon ARES (MCARES) took part in a semi-annual, state-wide all digital Simulated Emergency Test (SET) on November 15, 2008. After a major winter storm in December 2007, ARES volunteers using HF digital modes were the only means of communication with the Oregon coast. Oregon's governor, Ted Kulongoski, was so impressed with this operation that he appropriated money for ARES digital stations to be setup in all thirty-six counties. Oregon ARES has developed a plan for semi-annual digital SETs to test this equipment and train members. In addition to county emergency operations, MCARES members meet and train with the ARES unit at the Oregon Office of Emergency Management also in Salem and provide support for the HF station at the governor's command post. -- _Bill Wylie, KE7EPY_ (mailto:bnpwylie@...) , MCARES PIO, Salem, Oregon
Massachusetts and New Hampshire, December 11 -- The major ice storm that hit New England resulted in Amateur Radio operators responding to calls for assistance from various served agencies. Eastern Massachusetts SEC Rob Macedo, KD1CY, reported almost 400,000 customers in Massachusetts lost power. Western Massachusetts SEC John Ruggerio, N2YHK, said his ARES units responded to local EOCs. A team in Gardner provided communications for the local hospital and EOC, with message traffic on prescription fills and other priority, but non-emergency traffic, being fulfilled. Eastern Massachusetts ARESMAT supported the operation. Massachusetts State RACES Radio Officer Tom Kinahan, N1CPE, and his team supported the State EOC.
New Hampshire ASEC David Colter, WA1ZCN, said his people supported two shelters and EOCs. The Milford animal shelter was also supported for rescue efforts.
Giles County (Tennessee) ARES and Tennessee MARS organizations participated in a hurricane drill October 3, 2008 that simulated a total loss of communications state-wide. The Ardmore MARS station and the Pulaski ARES group established a command center at Hillside Hospital, dispatching mobile radio units to the Giles County High School and airport. Message traffic included simulated damage reports, medical/injury reports, and vital statistics to the state EMA EOC in Nashville. -- _Bill Hand_ (mailto:KI4WNH@...) , AAR4DX, KI4WNH, Public Affairs Officer, Tennessee Army MARS, Ardmore, Tennessee
Hams Are The Eyes Of NOAA Near Reno, Nevada -- On Friday, December 19, a major winter storm hit the area bringing with it hurricane force winds to high

elevations, such as Virginia Peak, located northeast of Reno near Pyramid Lake. Gusts of over 140 miles per hour battered the mountain, damaging sensitive electronic weather gear, including the NEXRAD radar system used by the National Weather Service office located in Reno. A _link_ (http://www.wrh.noaa.gov/rev/current/KRGXDomeFailure.pdf) is available for viewing the damage.

Fortunately, Northwest Nevada has an active SKYWARN program. With the demise of the radar system, NWS Reno asked spotters to assist by providing real-time weather information via Amateur Radio. Dee Arnold, KA7LOZ, took reports at the amateur station, WX7RNO at the NWS Reno office. Arnold said, "We [were] their eyes until the radar site could be accessed and repaired." Spotters were able to file reports on the Wide Area Data Club's (WADG) high level linked system, which covers a good portion of both northern Nevada and north central California. Amateur Radio operators have also been providing highway information over mountain passes during the recent flurry of early winter storms. Thanks to WADG for use of their repeater system. -- _Don Carlson, KQ6FM_ (mailto:kq6fm@...) , Nevada Section Emergency Coordinator/ Public Information Coordinator; RACES Radio Officer; Member, ARRL Public Relations Committee

NIMS Changes Noted

According to a _press release_ (http://www.fema.gov/pdf/emergency/nims/NIMSPressRelease.pdf) , last month the U.S. Department of Homeland Security's (DHS)

FEMA released a revised National Incident Management System (NIMS)--the national standard for incident management. NIMS establishes standardized incident management processes, protocols, and procedures that all federal, state, tribal and local responders will use to coordinate and conduct response actions. See the FEMA _Fact Sheet_ (http://www.fema.gov/pdf/emergency/nims/NIMSFactSheet.pdf) , _What's New_ (http://www.fema.gov/pdf/emergency/nims/NIMSWhatsNew.pdf) , and _FAQs_ (http://www.fema.gov/pdf/emergency/nims/NIMSFAQs.pdf) .

According to DHS, it has clarified "existing NIMS concepts, better incorporating preparedness and planning and improving the overall readability of the document. The revised document also differentiates between the purposes of NIMS and the National Response Framework (NRF) by identifying how NIMS provides the action template for the management of incidents, while the NRF provides the policy structure and mechanisms for national-level policy for incident management." -- Thanks, Les Rayburn, N1LF, via the Emergency-Management Group at Yahoo.com

The updated National Incident Management System (NIMS) _course_ (http://training.fema.gov/emiweb/is/is700a.asp) is now available. - Dennis Dura, K2DCD, ARRL Emergency Preparedness and Response Manager

Southeastern D-STAR Net A Success

The Southeastern D-STAR Weather Net was created using the D-STAR digital voice and data technology to allow amateurs to link systems and communicate across the southeastern US, an area prone to severe weather conditions. With the rapidly growing number of D-STAR users and repeaters across the Southeast, the ability to use these systems to communicate across the wide area and support emergency communications has been created.

Alabama was an early leader with a statewide deployment of D-STAR repeaters. Georgia is creating a statewide network of D-STAR repeaters using the

television towers of Georgia Public Broadcasting. South Carolina plans to overlay their existing statewide network of analog repeaters with D-STAR repeaters. Many areas of Florida are already covered with D-STAR systems.
The weekly net allows training in net communications over a wide area digital network of linked repeaters. Check-ins are facilitated using the "quick key" format. Since call signs are automatically included with each D-STAR transmission, users simply key for one second to send their call. Net Control sees all call signs and recognizes each station.
The net was used during last summer's hurricane season linking several EOCs across the southeast. During the winter "off season" for severe weather, a short program is being presented every other week during the net on topics such as repeater linking and the D-RATS data software. Each week, 35 to 40 stations on 17 to 25 repeaters across the southeast check into the weekly net. The net takes place each Sunday evening beginning at 9:00 pm ET, 8:00 pm CT. D-STAR users should check with their local D-STAR repeater operators to see if they participate in the net. _More info_ (http://www.dstarinfo.com/Nets/SEWXNet.html) or contact _John Davis_ (mailto:wb4qdx@arrl.net) . -- John A. Davis, WB4QDX, District Emergency Coordinator - GPB, Georgia Section ARES

New Madrid Fault Report Link

[Last month's item had a busted link on the New Madrid Fault report. Here is the item and a better link - ed.] The U.S. DHS/FEMA has just released a comprehensive new report on the threat and it contains a wealth of information for those who may be planning exercises. The _complete report_ (https://www.ideals.uiuc.edu/handle/2142/8971) is a large PDF file, but well worth the download time.
(http://www.arrl.org/nladclick.php?n=ae&t=i&i=2009-01-21&p=0)

San Diego Quantifies Amateur EmComms in Antenna Defense Bid

Former ARRL Directors Fried Heyn, WA6WZO, and Art Goddard, W6XD, report a fine joint San Diego (California) DX Club and ARES effort to quantify the value of amateur emcomms to the city. The documentation is in defense of amateur antenna interests: _Amateur Radio Public Service Benefits to the City of San Diego_ (http://kkn.net/n6aa/sdgbenefits/AR-CityofSD-01%2001%2009b%20_2_0.pdf) , January 2009. Every reader should look at this document; it is a superb effort that could be emulated in other parts of the country. It's something we should be doing all of the time. A National-level effort is also to be initiated, per Goddard. -- Thanks, WA6WZO and W6XD

Erie (PA) Red Cross ARA Antennas on Cell Tower

The Erie Red Cross Amateur Radio Association (W3ERC) of Pennsylvania enhances American Red Cross (ARC) volunteer activity via Amateur Radio and provides a cadre of trained ARC communicators for local and national emergency communications. Thanks to a new Verizon Cell Tower, new antennas are up: In addition to a pair of 2-meter Verticals and a 440 MHz Vertical at the 50 foot level, a Cushcraft A4S tri-band Yagi sits snugly atop the cell tower at the 110' mark. All have enhanced our repeater and HF coverage, and thus our emcomm capabilities. -- _Dan Miller, K3UFG_ (mailto:dmiller@...) , Assistant Director, Emergency Services, Greater Erie County Red Cross Chapter

Letters: New Madrid Fault Prep

See the _Tennessee Emergency Management Agency_ (http://www.tnema.org/) Web site, and scroll down to the second article, on Tennessee, Kentucky, and

other efforts to prepare for a New Madrid Fault casualty event. Not only have we participated in professional exercises sponsored by our State emergency management agencies, we have also involved the _Central United States Earthquake Consortium_ (http://www.cusec.org/) (CUSEC), and the TRI-MARS services in many recent exercises that provide an excellent example of complete interoperability among the affected States, especially Tennessee and Kentucky, their many affected counties, and the various communications services involved. In Tennessee alone, during the last ARRL SET, we had our first state-wide interoperable SET involving TEMA, MARS and ARES in more than 32 separate counties. As a result, Amateur Radio and MARS are now viewed differently by TEMA as seen in the article TEMA staff add Amateur Radio Capabilities, which is a preparation for obtaining individual MARS call signs for TEMA executives and staff. Among those receiving their amateur licenses were the Director of Logistics, and the Director of Operations and Response. TEMA continues to provide training for its volunteer forces to make them a viable component in potential major casualty events. What is so gratifying is that this is "catching" in other State EOCs as well. - Steve Waterman, K4CJX, AAA9AC [K4CJX is the _Winlink 2000_ (http://www.winlink.org/) network administrator, and a member of the Winlink Development Team.]

Letters: New Oregon State RACES/ARES Plan

I just read the latest ARES E-Letter and saw the short piece by my friend and fellow EC, Mark Perrin, N7MQ in Lane County, Oregon in which he gives a reference to the Lane County ARES frequency plan. I work closely with Mark because I'm the EC in coastal West Lane County, which is separated from Lane County itself by the Oregon coast range (and a tunnel). Although Mark and I are in the same county, the Florence area has a separate ARES/RACES group because of our potential isolation.

I wanted to add that the Oregon Section has done a good job in compiling a state _ARES/RACES communications plan_ (http://www.arrloregon.org/e107_files/downloads/Final_Plan.pdf) . It was first issued in January, 2008, and will be updated annually with local information and frequency data provided by the county ECs. -- _Walt Zandi, K1WZ_ (mailto:pazward@...) , EC West Lane County, Florence, Oregon

Letters: More on Repeater Frequency Availability

On the subject of repeater frequency availability discussed in the last issue, Robert King, W5LVB, had a good idea in having the state and/or local EMA's get repeater info from the ARES/RACES coordinators and then posting it on the EMA's Web site.

There is currently a federal grant-funded project known as CASM (Communications Asset Survey and Mapping) that catalogs all public safety frequencies, tower and repeater locations, base stations, number of mobile and portable radios in each agency, and what frequencies are programmed in them. All of this information is being entered into an Internet-accessible database maintained by DOD. The focus of this project is for each state to develop a Tactical Interoperability Communications Plan, so that if agencies have to leave the "comfort zone" of their own communications systems to provide mutual aid elsewhere, they know before they go what frequencies (if any) they have in common with the jurisdiction they are going to help. In today's world of software-driven radios, it is easier than ever for an agency to program their radios to

include frequencies for adjacent counties, state-wide mutual aid, etc, sometimes even "on-the-fly."
The site's mapping function displays repeaters, towers, and types of communications systems as icons on a map of the state, and includes basic data on the system such as: repeater or simplex, tower site lat/long, frequency band (VHF/UHF/800), analog or digital, conventional or trunked, wideband or P25.
As this project expands, the plan is to include data on communications systems used by mass transit, public schools, public works, highway maintenance, and ARES/RACES.
Some states are further along than others in this endeavor (Michigan, I'm proud to say, is one of the leaders), so the data is still in varying stages of completeness. And, for obvious reasons, the Web site is restricted to authorized users only. This will, however, put information on ARES/RACES resources in the hands of state and local emergency management officials, who can in turn make the Amateur Radio information more readily available at the local volunteer level.-- _William Troskey, N8VEI_ (mailto:wftroskey@...) ,
Calhoun County, Michigan CASM Data Collection/Entry
(http://www.arrl.org/nladclick.php?n=ae&t=i&i=2009-01-21&p=1)
Letters: The Importance of "Sig-Files"
The recent ARRL Earthquake Drill of December 18, 2008 identified a number of problems with our outdated, manual "phone tree" notification system here in Alabama. Not only had we been remiss at not moving to an automated, rapid notification system years ago, but a great deal of our contact information for District Emergency Coordinators and Emergency Coordinators was out of date.
In desperation, I began searching through literally hundreds of e-mails that I have organized into folders on my computer, sorted by District and then county. This helped some, but in many cases, I would have dozens of past communications from an ARES leader, signed with only a first name and call sign. Not much help there.
If you're involved in ARES, it's vital that we take a cue from emergency management professionals and automatically include a "signature file" with each message we send. This way, in an emergency, all that is needed is to find one your past e-mails and retrieve the information from there. Most e-mail software such as Outlook, Outlook Express, Mac Mail, Eudora, G-Mail, Hotmail, etc. all allow for this in the "settings" section.
One of our local EC's, Matt Teal, KI4LPS, provided the best example that I've yet seen. I include it here as an example of what kind of information you should include:
Matt Teal, KI4LPS
Cherokee Co. ARES Emergency Coordinator
Cherokee EMA Volunteer, EMA 8
ALERT Member
Cherokee Co. Rescue Squad Member, RS 39
##### Hwy. 411 North
Centre, AL 35960
Home: 256-###-7800
Cell: 256-###-1596
Email: _ki4lps@..._ (http:
//webmail.cfl.rr.com/do/mail/message/mailto?to=ki4lps@...)
Email to Cell text: _2565571596@..._

(http://webmail.cfl.rr.com/do/mail/message/mailto?to=2565571596@...)
Some things to note in Matt's sig file are the following:
1. He avoids turning it into a "brag file." We don't need to know all your titles, or how many FEMA courses you've completed. Save that for when your brother-in-law visits.
2. He includes a mailing address, and all telephone numbers where he can be reached. If you have a FAX machine, be sure to include that here. FAX is often a great way to get through.
3. Most cell phones can receive short SMS Text Messages sent from other phones, or in the form of an e-mail message. If you're not sure what that is, consult your carrier for assistance. SMS text is a great way to notify all your volunteers at one time, just by sending a single e-mail.
Sending SMS through email is easy. If you can be reminded through email, you can now be reminded through SMS. I have email reminders sent to me for everything. If you know the correct email address, you can also send these messages to your cellular phone. Here are the email addresses for the six most popular cellular phone carriers:
T-Mobile: phonenumber@...
Virgin Mobile: phonenumber@...
Cingular: phonenumber@...
Sprint: phonenumber@...
Verizon: phonenumber@...
Nextel: phonenumber@...
If you don't have a sig-file, please consider adding one. Who knows, it might make all the difference in a future drill or real world event. -- Les Rayburn, N1LF, Alabama Section Emergency Coordinator; NCS-SHARES NCS-047
National Hurricane Conference in Austin, April 6-10; Amateur Radio Meetings Planned
The _National Hurricane Conference_ (http://www.hurricanemeeting.com/) is scheduled for the week of April 6, 2009, in Austin, Texas. The primary goal of the National Hurricane Conference is to improve hurricane preparedness, response, recovery and mitigation in order to save lives and property in the United States and the tropical islands of the Caribbean and Pacific. In addition, the conference serves as a national forum for federal, state and local officials to exchange ideas and recommend new policies to improve Emergency Management.
Dennis Dura, K2DCD, ARRL Emergency Preparedness and Response Manager, was successful in getting Amateur Radio on the conference docket at three times. This is a first for Amateur Radio's involvement with the NHC. On Tuesday, April 7, from 1330-1700, the topic is "Amateur Radio Training," that will address events of 2008 and improvements for 2009. Multiple presentations are expected to include _WX4NHC_ (http://www.wx4nhc.org/) -The National Hurricane Center, _Hurricane Watch Net_ (http://www.hwn.org/) , _VoIPWX Net_ (http://www.voipwx.net/) and _IRESC_ (http://www.iresc.org/) , among others. On Wednesday, April 8, at 0930-1030, is "Situational Awareness and Disaster Intelligence, Non-Traditional Roles for Amateur Radio Resources for Emergency Management." Following is a 1030-1200 "Amateur Radio Rap Session," an open forum, and continuation of the previous two days' topics and anything conference attendees want to bring up. Both of these sessions are geared to the emergency management community so they can learn about the mission capabilities amateur radio has to

offer. The Tuesday session is free to all radio amateurs-no registration is required. The Wednesday sessions and the rest of the conference are included in the conference fee and there are no discounts.
100th Anniversary of Rescue at Sea by Wireless - Special Event
The weekend of January 23, and the summer of 2009 promise to be filled with events commemorating the _first large scale rescue in open sea_ (http://www.jackbinns.org/) coordinated by wireless. Special Event stations, museum exhibits, and commemorative publications are planned. Special event station hosts include: Scunthorpe Steel Amateur Radio Club, Scunthorpe, UK, GB5CQD; _Lizard Marconi Wireless Station_ (http://www.lizardwireless.org/) , The Lizard, Cornwall, UK (GB100MSC); Chelmsford Amateur Radio Society, Chelmsford, UK (_GB0MWT_ (http://www.g0mwt.org.uk/) ); and the Marconi Radio Club W1AA of Massachusetts, which will take part in the Jack Binns special event with two stations representing the SS Republic (call sign MKC) as W1AA/MKC and the SS Baltic (call sign BC) as W1AA/BC. The two stations plan to be on the amateur bands on January 23 from 0001Z to 0400Z and on January 24 from1200Z to 2000Z; SSB and CW modes. References: _Marconi Radio Club W1AA_ (http://www.anything-it.biz/roass/roars.html) , _Early Radio History CQD_ (http://earlyradiohistory.us/CQD.htm) , _Early Radio History 1909._ (http://earlyradiohistory.us/1909rep.htm) -- _Bob "Whitey" Doherty, K1VV_ (mailto:k1vv@...) , President,
Marconi Radio Club, W1AA
Northern California: EMCOMM University March 14
All amateurs are invited to attend EMCOMM U, a one-day emergency communications workshop sponsored by _San Joaquin County (CA) ARES_ (http://www.sjares.org/) . It will be held on Saturday, March 14 in Stockton, at a new county-owned meeting facility. The three-track program features sessions on emerging technology for emergency communication, how to organize and manage volunteer groups, and improving emergency response and operations. There will be sessions on emergency uses of D-STAR and packet, as well as discussion of real world traffic handling, how to develop better exercises, how to operate more effectively during emergencies and other topics.
The Emcomm Show-and-Tell invites amateurs to bring emergency vehicles, response kits, and other items to show and demonstrate for attendees. Registration is limited to 100 people. The $25 workshop fee includes lunch and a $5 donation to the San Joaquin County Chapter of the American Red Cross. _For more information_ (http://www.emcommu.com/) , or send e-mail to the _organizer_ (mailto:n5fdl@...) .
Spreading Goodwill, Building Relationships in South Carolina

Michaela Woodward presents a Christmas Day gift of Moravian-style coffee cake to Orange County EMT Amy Turner.
Hillsborough, SC--The Orange County Radio Amateurs (OCRA) recognized the workers of several Orange County agencies with a Christmas Day gift of freshly baked Moravian-style coffee cakes. Staff on duty at the Orange County Sheriff's Department, the Orange County EOC, and the Hillsborough Fire and Police Departments, were surprised late Christmas morning when OCRA President Raymond Woodward, K3VSA, and his family presented them with the cakes, which were baked by Dewey's Salem Bakery of Winston-Salem.
Woodward said "we cannot do enough to thank these people who are working,

protecting all of us on Christmas day when the rest of us are safe at home relaxing with our families." "We ham operators know what it's like to do emergency service, because we supply radio communications when the normal means of communication go down, so we just wanted them to know that their service to the community is appreciated."
Alabama Hospital Project to Add Amateur Radio Capability

Alabama SM Jay Isbell, KA4KUN, in front of hospital van.
Alabama Section Manager Jay Isbell, KA4KUN, announced at the 2008 Montgomery Hamfest a project four years in the making: 108 hospitals across the state will soon add new state-of-the art, Amateur Radio communications equipment to enhance their emergency communications programs. The Alabama Hospital Association, the Alabama State Department of Public Health and Alabama representatives of the ARRL obtained a grant for $500,000 to add the radio equipment. Each hospital will have two radios, an HF radio and a VHF/UHF D-STAR equipped radio. -- Greg Sarratt, W4OZK, ARRL Southeastern Division Director
K1CE For a Final

K1CE at the podium, National Hurricane Center, Miami, Florida.
I joined the Emergency-Management forum at Yahoo, which is moderated by a long-time contributor to this newsletter, Lloyd Colston, KC5FM, of Mayes County Emergency Management, Pryor, Oklahoma. It looks good so far, and I'll provide some feedback in the next issue.

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Nunzio Addabo, W4VYD, of Tucson, Arizona, sent me a signed copy of his book _Ham Radio Heroes,_ (http://www.hamheros.com/) published last year. It is a compendium of stories from throughout Amateur Radio's history, and I'm looking forward to reading it. There are more than one hundred episodes. Thanks, Nunz!
See you next month! 73, Rick K1CE
(http://www.arrl.org/nladclick.php?n=ae&i=2009-01-21&t=r&p=0)
(http://www.arrl.org/nladclick.php?n=ae&i=2009-01-21&t=r&p=1)
(http://www.arrl.org/nladclick.php?n=ae&i=2009-01-21&t=r&p=2)
(http://www.arrl.org/nladclick.php?n=ae&i=2009-01-21&t=r&p=3)
(http://www.arrl.org/nladclick.php?n=ae&i=2009-01-21&t=r&p=4)

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**********A Good Credit Score is 700 or Above. See yours in just 2 easy steps!
(http://pr.atwola.com/promoclk/100000075x1215855013x1201028747/aol?redir=http://www.freecreditreport.com/pm/default.aspx?sc=668072%26hmpgID=62%26bcd=DecemailfooterNO62)

# 678. Antenna Restrictions ?

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2009-01-22 14:12:37 UTC
From: w4uoc@aol.com
Topic: 678  Message: 678

Check out this antenna that will be used on the upcoming 160 Meter World Wide CW contest.

_http://www.radioarcala.com/nbspStation/TowersandAntennas/Tower7/tabid/358/Default.aspx_ (http://www.radioarcala.com/nbspStation/TowersandAntennas/Tower7/tabid/358/Default.aspx)

Look at the specs under the antenna picture.

**********A Good Credit Score is 700 or Above. See yours in just 2 easy steps! (http://pr.atwola.com/promoclk/100000075x1215855013x1201028747/aol?redir=http://www.freecreditreport.com/pm/default.aspx?sc=668072%26hmpgID=62%26bcd=DecemailfooterNO62)

# 679. North Fulton ARES Net, 1/25/2009, 8:30 pm

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2009-01-23 01:25:37 UTC
From: nfares@yahoogroups.com
Topic: 679  Message: 679

Reminder from: nfares Yahoo! Group
http://groups.yahoo.com/group/nfares/cal

North Fulton ARES Net
Sunday January 25, 2009
8:30 pm - 9:30 pm
(This event repeats every week.)
(The next reminder for this event will be sent in 2 days, 4 minutes.)
Location: 147.060 MHz (plus 600kHz) PL 100.0. Backup is 145.470 MHz (minus 600 kHz) PL 100.0

Notes:
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# 680. North Fulton ARES Net, 1/25/2009, 8:30 pm

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2009-01-25 01:25:20 UTC
From: nfares@yahoogroups.com
Topic: 679  Message: 680

Reminder from: nfares Yahoo! Group
http://groups.yahoo.com/group/nfares/cal

North Fulton ARES Net
Sunday January 25, 2009
8:30 pm - 9:30 pm
(This event repeats every week.)
Location: 147.060 MHz (plus 600kHz) PL 100.0. Backup is 145.470 MHz (minus 600 kHz) PL 100.0

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# 681. Severe Weather Awareness Week

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2009-01-16 01:21:29 UTC
From: John Sibley, WX4JMS
Topic: 681  Message: 681

From Gwinnett County.

Kathy.Wilson@... wrote:
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> ATTENTION:
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>
> SKYWARN / ARES MEMBERS
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> ?SEVERE WEATHER AWARENESS WEEK?
>
> FEBRUARY 1-7
>
> 2009
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>
> Governor Sonny Perdue has made a statewide proclamation for Storm
> Awareness Week scheduled for February 1^st through the 7^th .
> Information and programs are to be provided throughout each of the 7
> days including a statewide ?Tornado Drill? on Wednesday February 4^th .
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>
> Your weather awareness skills will certainly be appreciated as we
> approach the upcoming Severe Weather Season. It?s been awhile since you
> all met and with the last Spotter Class, there are many new members
> anxious to serve. Gwinnett EMA is here to assist you in any way
> possible by offering locations for meetings and providing any added
> training that may become available. I encourage both groups to work
> together in helping expedite your roles as Spotters.
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>
> The last few years Gwinnett County has experienced severe drought
> conditions and for the most part high pressure has dominated, keeping
> our weather somewhat tranquil. Unfortunately for many other areas of
> the U.S. the opposite has occurred with weather spawning tornadoes,
> hurricanes, and flooding.

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>
> Bottom Line: Weather is subject to change as we all know and this
> season could be significantly different than what we?ve experienced in
> recent years. It?s my hope that each of you will continue your
> membership and maintain your weather observation skills.
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>
> Gwinnett EMA continues to pursue a strong program of preparedness for
> any natural or man made disaster that may occur. We cannot succeed
> without the support of groups like SKWARN, ARES, and CERT. Volunteer
> groups are always of the utmost importance during a disaster.
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> We thank you for your participation and hope that each of you will
> continue to be supportive in 2009
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> February 1, 2009 Family Preparedness Day
>
> February 2, 2009 NOAA Weather Radio
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> February 3, 2009 Thunderstorm Safety
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> February 4, 2009 Tornado Safety (including a statewide drill)
>
> February 5, 2009 Lightning Safety
>
> February 6, 2009 Flooding
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> February 7, 2009 Volunteer / Spotter Day
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# 682. Why can't Roswell hear me?

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2009-01-26 01:38:14 UTC
From: John Sibley, WX4JMS
Topic: 682  Message: 682

Why can't the Roswell repeater hear me? I went up to 50 watts and I still can't get in. I can get into Sweat Mtn just fine.
John de WX4JMS

# 683. North Fulton ARES Net Report and Meeting Day Change!

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2009-01-26 02:16:56 UTC
From: Lee Juckett
Topic: 683  Message: 683

We had 11 check-in's for tonight's NFARES weekly net:

1.  AF4FO, Susan
2.  K4HBI, Mike
3.  W4UOC, Tom
4.  W4CNG, Steve
5.  K4YJI, Bill
6.  N4SEC, Jim
7.  KD9RU, Dave
8.  W4QO, Jim
9.  KJ4HMF, John
10.  WX4JMS, John
11.  AF4IA, Lee-NCS

Tom W4UOC asked for comments regarding moving our monthly meeting back to the second Tuesday, since there is no longer a conflict at Sandy Springs City Hall.  The net participants indicated their agreement with moving back to Tuesdays, and there were no objections.

Therefore, the next meeting of the North Fulton ARES will be on Tuesday February 10 at 7:00 PM.  I have changed the NFARES Yahoo! Group's home page as well as the Yahoo! Group calendar so that it will send out reminders that indicate the second Tuesday as the meeting date.

Jim N4SEC reported a successful CERT (Community Emergency Response Team) drill yesterday and today.  The drill was held in South Fulton County and Steve KC4YBO also participated.

The net closed at 8:53 PM local time.

73,
- Lee, AF4IA

# 684. CERT Drill

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2009-01-26 11:08:38 UTC
From: Jim_Paine
Topic: 684  Message: 684

NFARES members participated in a Multi-Jurisdictional CERT (Community Emergency Response Team) Drill on January 24 and 25, 2009. The exercise was a mock drill of the aftermath of a tornado in Fulton County. Local resources have been depleted and have a delayed response time. The CERT members were to conduct a size up of the area, organize a plan, perform search and rescue and triage. The drill was held at the Fulton County Public Training Center on Merk Road (Off of Camp Creek Parkway).

NFARES participated by providing communications instruction and support. Tom Koch, W4UOC, prepared a PowerPoint presentation for training CERT participants on the use of hand-held radios and operating procedures. CERT members used GMRS/FRS UHF radios for the drill. The course was presented by Jim Paine, N4SEC, to five classes on Saturday. The drill was Sunday where Steve Knittel, KC4YBO, served as net control and communications coordinator with N4SEC's assistance.

Although the net control function turned out not to be our traditional format, the participants and organizers were appreciative of NFARES assistance and involvement. More discussion can be at our next meeting February 10.

Submitted by Jim Paine N4SEC

# 685. Upcoming Skywarn Classes

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2009-01-26 02:29:11 UTC
From: John Sibley, WX4JMS
Topic: 685  Message: 685

http://www.srh.noaa.gov/ffc/html/sched.shtml
February 2009...

* Henry County
February 10, 2009 at 9 p.m. and 7 p.m.
Henry County EMA Office
100 Henry Pkwy.
McDonough 30253
P.O.C. Donnie Reece (770) 288-7869 or
dreece@...

* Floyd County
February 17, 2009 at 7 p.m.
Floyd County
The Forum
Rome, GA 30162
P.O.C. Tim Herrington (706) 236-5004
herringtont@...

* Carroll County
February 18, 2009 at 6:30 p.m.
501 Old Newnan Rd.
Carrollton 30117
P.O.C. Tim Padgett (770) 830-5882

* Emanuel County
February 19, 2009 at 7 p.m.
Location: TBA
P.O.C. Bob Herz (912) 293-3296 or
uvalda8@...

* Barrow County
February 23, 2009 at 7 p.m.
Location: TBA
P.O.C. Eddie Gilbert (706) 654-2500 or
egilbert@...

# 686. North Fulton ARES Net, 2/1/2009, 8:30 pm

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2009-01-30 01:25:42 UTC
From: nfares@yahoogroups.com
Topic: 686  Message: 686

Reminder from: nfares Yahoo! Group
http://groups.yahoo.com/group/nfares/cal

North Fulton ARES Net
Sunday February 1, 2009
8:30 pm - 9:30 pm
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# 687. Handheld radios for sale

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2009-01-30 18:17:59 UTC
From: w4uoc@aol.com
Topic: 687  Message: 687

Patrick, (_w4vzb@..._ (mailto:w4vzb@...) ) has the
following radios for sale. If you are interested in any of these contact him at
his email address.

2-Yaesu VX-170 open 138.0-174.0 in box new $110.00--(Open for 2m mars).
1-Kenwood TH-K2AT with rapid charger $125.00 used.
1-Kenwood TH-D7A(G) with E-battery $225.00 used.
1-Alinco DJ-296 $125.00 used

Tom Koch - W4UOC
**********From Wall Street to Main Street and everywhere in between, stay
up-to-date with the latest news. (http://aol.com?ncid=emlcntaolcom00000023)

# 688. Ga Severe Weather Awareness Week

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2009-01-31 13:15:42 UTC
From: w4uoc@aol.com
Topic: 688  Message: 688

This coming week is Severe Weather Awareness Week, with a statewide tornado drill scheduled for Wednesday the 4th, at 9AM-ish. Local ARES groups are encouraged to hold a SkyWarn net, and to appoint a liaison to report the number of check-ins to the HF net on 3.975MHz. NOTE: In the event of actual severe weather on Wednesday, the exercise will be postponed until Friday morning.

I will activate the 147.06 NFARES net Wednesday morning at 9:00 a.m to take check-ins and report the outcome to the GA ARES network on 3.975 MHz.

Hopefully we will have Emory Johns Creek and Northside Hospitals and the Emergency Operating Centers (EOCs) also available to check-in Wednesday morning. If possible I would ask Shelia KD4NKE (Sandy Springs EOC), Dave Caldwell (Emory Johns Creek EOC) John Burdge K3WNL (Northside Hospital EOC), Jim Paine N4SEC (Alpharetta Fire station 1 or 4) and Steve KB4YBO (Roswell 911 Center) to contact those facilities and request permission to activate those installations for the 9:00 a.m.Severe Weather net.

We will discuss this further on the Sunday evening NFARES net!

Tom Koch - W4UOC
EC North Fulton Amateur Radio Emergency Service

**********From Wall Street to Main Street and everywhere in between, stay up-to-date with the latest news. (http://aol.com?ncid=emlcntaolcom00000023)

# 689. North Fulton ARES Net, 2/1/2009, 8:30 pm

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2009-02-01 01:25:21 UTC
From: nfares@yahoogroups.com
Topic: 686  Message: 689

Reminder from: nfares Yahoo! Group
http://groups.yahoo.com/group/nfares/cal

North Fulton ARES Net
Sunday February 1, 2009
8:30 pm - 9:30 pm
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# 690. Re: [nfarl] Handheld radios for sale

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2009-01-31 20:46:51 UTC
From: Jim Paine
Topic: 687  Message: 690

I contacted Patrick and I will be buying one of the VX-170s.  John,as in N4CUS, is getting the 220 rig.  Since Patrick lives in Social Circle (Way out I-20E) we will be meeting in the north Atlanta area Monday afternoon.  He mentioned he has two (2) more of the VX-170s if anyone else in interested.  If anyone would like to join John and I on Monday to look over or buy these items, please let me know.

Jim Paine - N4SEC

--- On Fri, 1/30/09, w4uoc@... <w4uoc@...> wrote:

From: w4uoc@... <w4uoc@aol.com>
Subject: [nfarl] Handheld radios for sale
To: nfares@yahoogroups.com, nfarl@yahoogroups.com
Date: Friday, January 30, 2009, 1:17 PM

Patrick, (w4vzb@bellsouth. net) has the following radios for sale.  If you are interested in any of these contact him at his email address.

2-Yaesu VX-170 open 138.0-174.0 in box new $110.00--(Open for 2m mars).
1-Kenwood TH-K2AT with rapid charger $125.00 used.
1-Kenwood TH-D7A(G) with E-battery $225.00 used.
1-Alinco DJ-296 $125.00 used

Tom Koch - W4UOC

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# 691. North Fulton ARES Net - Feb 1, 2009

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2009-02-02 01:45:05 UTC
From: Lee Juckett
Topic: 691  Message: 691

We had 8 check-in's for tonight's North Fulton ARES net.

1.  W4UOC, Tom
2.  W4CNG, Steve
3.  K4YJI, Bill
4.  N4SEC, Jim
5.  WB4MAK, Mack
6.  KD9RU, Dave
7.  KJ4HCD, Paul
8.  AF4IA, Lee-NCS

73,
- Lee, AF4IA

# 692. North Fulton County ARES Meeting, 2/10/2009, 7:00 pm

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2009-02-04 00:03:11 UTC
From: nfares@yahoogroups.com
Topic: 692  Message: 692

Reminder from: nfares Yahoo! Group
http://groups.yahoo.com/group/nfares/cal

North Fulton County ARES Meeting
Tuesday February 10, 2009
7:00 pm - 8:30 pm
(This event repeats every month on the second Tuesday.)
(The next reminder for this event will be sent in 5 days, 23 hours, 56 minutes.)
Location: Sandy Springs City Council Chambers
Street: Morgan Falls Office Park, 7840 Roswell Road Building 500
City State Zip: Sandy Springs, GA 30350

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# 693. Communications volunteers for the ING Georgia Marathon and Half Marathon on Sunday, March 29, 2009

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2009-02-05 04:25:58 UTC
From: David Ziskind, KE4QLH
Topic: 693  Message: 693

Hi all,

I've recently accepted the position as communications coordinator for the ING Georgia Marathon and Half Marathon. This year's event will be held on Sunday, March 29, 2009, starting about 7am. You can read more about it at <http://www.inggeorgiamarathon.com>.

I am in the process of preparing the detailed communications plan, but there will be assignments available along the course, as a shadow, and in the pace cars. Course assignments are being focused on the last section of the course, where the full and half marathons come together.

I hope you can join us this year. While general volunteer registration is available online, we have decided to move specialized assignments to the paper form, so we can limit sign-ups. Please let me know if you'd like to volunteer! Also, please let me know if you have any assignment preferences or time restrictions.

73,
David Ziskind KE4QLH
ke4qlh@...

# 694. North Fulton ARES Net, 2/8/2009, 8:30 pm

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2009-02-06 01:25:43 UTC
From: nfares@yahoogroups.com
Topic: 694  Message: 694

Reminder from: nfares Yahoo! Group
http://groups.yahoo.com/group/nfares/cal

North Fulton ARES Net
Sunday February 8, 2009
8:30 pm - 9:30 pm
(This event repeats every week.)
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# 695. VHF /UHF Radios for Sale

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2009-02-07 19:59:13 UTC
From: w4uoc@aol.com
Topic: 695  Message: 695

FOR SALE

4-Yaesu VX-170 open 138.0-174.0 in box new $110.00--(Open for 2m mars).
1-Kenwood TH-K2AT with rapid charger $125.00 used.
1-Kenwood TH-D7A(G) with E-battery $225.00 used.
1-Icom ID-800 H w / CS-D800 Software and cable 1 year old march,$450.00
1 Icom IC-91AD w / RS-91 Software no cable.$325.00
all units come with box and manuals.

Contact Patrick, W4VZB (w4vzb@...)

**********Who's never won? Biggest Grammy Award surprises of all time on
AOL Music.
(http://music.aol.com/grammys/pictures/never-won-a-grammy?ncid=emlcntusmusi00000003)

# 696. North Fulton ARES Net, 2/8/2009, 8:30 pm

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2009-02-08 01:25:14 UTC
From: nfares@yahoogroups.com
Topic: 694  Message: 696

Reminder from: nfares Yahoo! Group
http://groups.yahoo.com/group/nfares/cal

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Sunday February 8, 2009
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# 697. Net Report: North Fulton ARES Weekly 2-Meter Net

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2009-02-09 02:04:40 UTC
From: Lee Juckett
Topic: 697  Message: 697

We had 11 check-in's for tonight's North Fulton ARES net:

1.  W4UOC, Tom
2.  W4CNG, Steve
3.  N4SEC, Jim
4.  K4YJI, Bill
5.  KD9RU, Dave
6.  KC4YBO, Steve
7.  WB4MAK, Mack
8.  KD4NKE, Shelia
9.  KJ4HCB, Paul
10.  W4QO, Jim
11.  AF4IA, Lee-NCS

The net closed at 8:46 PM local time.

73,
- Lee, AF4IA

# 698. North Fulton County ARES Meeting, 2/10/2009, 7:00 pm

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2009-02-10 00:03:15 UTC
From: nfares@yahoogroups.com
Topic: 692  Message: 698

Reminder from: nfares Yahoo! Group
http://groups.yahoo.com/group/nfares/cal

North Fulton County ARES Meeting
Tuesday February 10, 2009
7:00 pm - 8:30 pm
(This event repeats every month on the second Tuesday.)
Location: Sandy Springs City Council Chambers
Street: Morgan Falls Office Park, 7840 Roswell Road Building 500
City State Zip: Sandy Springs, GA 30350

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# 699. Some thoughts on EMCOMM courses

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2009-02-11 03:41:31 UTC
From: Jim Stafford
Topic: 699  Message: 699

Here is a page from my friend Ed WA3WSJ and his EMCOMM courses he has taken.

http://wa3wsj.homestead.com/WA3WSJ_ARES.html

Food for thought.

jim/w4qo

# 700. Updated Skywarn Schedule

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2009-02-11 13:13:26 UTC
From: WX4JMS
Topic: 700  Message: 700

February 2009...

* Henry County
February 10, 2009 at 1 p.m. and 7 p.m.
Henry County EMA Office
100 Henry Pkwy.
McDonough 30253
P.O.C. Donnie Reece (770) 288-7869 or
dreece@...

* Floyd County
February 17, 2009 at 7 p.m.
The Forum
Rome, GA 30162
P.O.C. Tim Herrington (706) 236-5004
herringtont@...

* Carroll County
February 18, 2009 at 6:30 p.m.
501 Old Newnan Rd.
Carrollton 30117
P.O.C. Tim Padgett (770) 830-5882

* Emanuel County
February 19, 2009 at 7 p.m.
Emmanuel County Medical Center
117 Kite Rd.
Swainsboro 30401
P.O.C. Bob Herz (912) 293-3296 or
uvalda8@...

* Barrow County
February 23, 2009 at 7 p.m.
Location: TBA
P.O.C. Eddie Gilbert (706) 654-2500 or
egilbert@...

March 2009...

* Wilkes County
March 5, 2009 at 7:00 p.m.
Washington-Wilkes Comprehensive High School
304 Gordon St.
Washington 30673
P.O.C. Alan Poss (706) 678-7113

* Washington County
March 10, 2009 at 7:00 p.m.
144 Fairbanks St.
Oconee 31067
P.O.C. (478)552-6233

* Pickens County
March 14, 2009 at 10:00 a.m.
County Administration Bldg. - EOC
1266 East Church St.
Jasper 30143
P.O.C. Bob Howard (706)253-8954

* Dekalb County
March 16, 2009 at TBA.
1950 W. Exchange Place
Tucker 30084
P.O.C. Capt Beth Burgess (678) 406-7822

# 701. North Fulton ARES Support of the Baptist NAMB

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2009-02-12 13:54:14 UTC
From: w4uoc@aol.com
Topic: 701  Message: 701
Attachments: 1 described; binary payloads are missing from this source WARC

Terry Jones, W4TL

If you still want our NFARES members to help support the communications efforts at the NAMB we need to talk about getting the group trained on your needs and procedures. We meet the 2nd Tuesday of every month and want to be ready to support your organization if needed. We have already had some initial training on the various modes and equipment that was previously used during the last hurricane events at the NAMB.

1 Dstar
2 Echolink
3 HF with a Kenwood 2000
4 UHF/VHF
5 WinLink
6 Drats low speed data messaging and internet using Dstar

We are also active with the Southeast Weather Net procedures on Dstar.

I also think we need to look at a better HF antenna for the roof of the building such asa 80 meter inverted V with open wire feeders to a 4:1 balum and then coax from the roof to the station. I don't think the B&W dipole currently in use is very effective.

I have also attached a file that describes Drats, the low speed data functions for sending email, radio grams and files via Dstar.

Tom Koch - W4UOC
EC - North Fulton Amateur Radio Emergency Service
**********The year's hottest artists on the red carpet at the Grammy Awards. AOL Music takes you there.
(http://music.aol.com/grammys?ncid=emlcntusmusi00000002)

# 702. North Fulton ARES Net, 2/15/2009, 8:30 pm

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2009-02-13 01:25:13 UTC
From: nfares@yahoogroups.com
Topic: 702 Message: 702

Reminder from: nfares Yahoo! Group
http://groups.yahoo.com/group/nfares/cal

North Fulton ARES Net
Sunday February 15, 2009
8:30 pm - 9:30 pm
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# 703. Using Amateur Radio to Extend the Reach of WebEOC

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2009-02-14 13:45:10 UTC
From: w4uoc@aol.com
Topic: 703  Message: 703

Taking WebEOC Off the Grid:
Using Amateur Radio to Extend the Reach of WebEOC

To sign on, direct your browser to: _http://www.mogulus.com/esiu_
(http://click.icptrack.com/icp/relay.php?r=4260053&msgid=61964&act=QIPT&c=222319&admin=0
&destination=http://www.mogulus.com/esiu)
go to the "On Demand" tab and then to the Feb 13th program to view it.

Tom Koch - W4UOC
EC - North Fulton Amateur Radio Emergency Service.

This breakthrough methodology involves the use of amateur radio equipment
with high speed digital capabilities to create an intranet instance of WebEOC
using radio waves instead of wires.

During the webinar, you'll learn how to:

* Bring the power of WebEOC to any emergency situation with a forward
command post that lacks Internet access.
* Develop a working relationship with the Amateur Radio Emergency
Service (ARES) for communications support.
* Maximize the capabilities of high speed digital communication
through radio in conjunction with WebEOC.
Your webinar presenters are Dr. Randall Todd, Director of Epidemiology and
Public Health Preparedness for the Washoe County District Health Department in
Reno, Nevada, and Mark Foxen, an Information Technology Professional with
the Nevada State Health Division.

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# 704. North Fulton ARES Net, 2/15/2009, 8:30 pm

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2009-02-15 01:25:20 UTC
From: nfares@yahoogroups.com
Topic: 702  Message: 704

Reminder from: nfares Yahoo! Group
http://groups.yahoo.com/group/nfares/cal

North Fulton ARES Net
Sunday February 15, 2009
8:30 pm - 9:30 pm
(This event repeats every week.)
Location: 147.060 MHz (plus 600kHz) PL 100.0. Backup is 145.470 MHz (minus 600 kHz) PL 100.0

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# 705. Net Results for the 2/15/09 NFARES Net

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2009-02-16 03:31:19 UTC
From: Shelia Staton
Topic: 705  Message: 705

There were 13 check-ins for the 2/15/09 NFARES Net:

W4UOC Tom
W4CNG Steve
KC4YBO Steve
N4SEC Jim
AF4IA Lee
KD9RU Dave
KI4GHT Bob
KJ4YM Mark
W4QO Jim
KJ4HCB Paul
AG4WY Mark
KJ4HMF John
KD4NKE Shelia (Net Control)

The net was concluded at 8:42 p.m. local time. Thank you for participating.

Respectfully submitted,

Shelia
KD4NKE

# 706. Fwd: [DSTAR_DIGITAL] 2820 for sell

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2009-02-16 21:14:58 UTC
From: w4uoc@aol.com
Topic: 706  Message: 706

Good deal on an Icom 2820 DStar mobile rig, software and cables.
Contact the seller ke4qdc@...

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From: ke4qdc@...
Reply-to: dstar_digital@yahoogroups.com
To: dstar_digital@yahoogroups.com
Sent: 2/16/2009 4:11:46 P.M. Eastern Standard Time
Subj: [DSTAR_DIGITAL] 2820 for sell

Ok guys I have decided to sell my 2nd remaining 2820. I have all the
boxes and manuals for it and all the goodies that came with it. the
radio is like new and the goodies are still packed in the plastic and
never been used since I have only used this one in the house. I also
have the USB cable with driver software disk new in the box never used
and the programming software CD in the jewel case. This one will have
to go for $775 shipped since the package includes the software and USB
cable. The cable and software are sold seperate and go for about $80 I
believe by themselves. Email me off list at _ke4qdc@...4_
(mailto:ke4qdc@...) or call
my cell 770-364-3999

Thanks
73
KE4QDC

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# 707. North Fulton ARES Net, 2/22/2009, 8:30 pm

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2009-02-20 01:25:44 UTC
From: nfares@yahoogroups.com
Topic: 707  Message: 707

Reminder from: nfares Yahoo! Group
http://groups.yahoo.com/group/nfares/cal

North Fulton ARES Net
Sunday February 22, 2009
8:30 pm - 9:30 pm
(This event repeats every week.)
(The next reminder for this event will be sent in 2 days, 4 minutes.)
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# 708. North Fulton ARES Net, 2/22/2009, 8:30 pm

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2009-02-22 01:25:13 UTC
From: nfares@yahoogroups.com
Topic: 707  Message: 708

Reminder from: nfares Yahoo! Group
http://groups.yahoo.com/group/nfares/cal

North Fulton ARES Net
Sunday February 22, 2009
8:30 pm - 9:30 pm
(This event repeats every week.)
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# 709. Fw: [Elmers] IC-208H Keeps Transmitting

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2009-02-22 03:12:49 UTC
From: Lee Juckett
Topic: 709  Message: 709

I just posted this on eham.net "elmers forum" also.  If any one has suggestions, please let me know.

I plan to do a full reset once I confirm I can reload the frequencies and settings using the Icom cloning software and cable.

Thanks and 73,
- Lee, AF4IA

--- On Sat, 2/21/09, Elmers@... <Elmers@...> wrote:
From: Elmers@... <Elmers@...>
Subject: [Elmers] IC-208H Keeps Transmitting
To: af4ia@...
Date: Saturday, February 21, 2009, 10:07 PM

Posted By AF4IA

I have an IC-208H which is about 4 years old. This has been a great radio until the last week. When I press the PTT switch on *some* stored frequencies, the unit continues to transmit after I release the PTT switch. After I turn the power off then back on, it stops transmitting. On adjacent stored frequencies, it does not continue to transmit, but ceases normally when I release the PTT switch. The problem is therefore probably not related to the microphone. It is also not the "one-touch PTT function," because I the "TX" on the screen does not blink and there are no beeps sounding. Also, I have set and reset the "one-touch PTT function" and that has no effect. I have done a "partial reset" but not an "all reset" yet. Do you think this is a settings issue or do I need to send somewhere for repair? Your assistance would be greatly appreciated.

# 710. Fwd: Communications volunteers for the ING Georgia Marathon and Half Marathon on Sunday, March 29, 2009

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2009-02-23 00:19:44 UTC
From: David Ziskind, KE4QLH
Topic: 693  Message: 710

I'm still looking for a few good men (or women)!

Please contact me if you'd like to volunteer - I still have 5
positions that must be filled, and at least 7 others that would be
nice to have coverage. Positions include shadowing race officials,
riding in a pace car, and monitoring a section of the course.

73,
David Ziskind KE4QLH
ke4qlh@...

---------- Forwarded message ----------
From: David Ziskind, KE4QLH <ke4qlh@...>
Date: Wed, Feb 4, 2009 at 11:25 PM
Subject: Communications volunteers for the ING Georgia Marathon and
Half Marathon on Sunday, March 29, 2009
To: nfarl@yahoogroups.com, nfares@yahoogroups.com

Hi all,

I've recently accepted the position as communications coordinator for
the ING Georgia Marathon and Half Marathon. This year's event will be
held on Sunday, March 29, 2009, starting about 7am. You can read more
about it at <http://www.inggeorgiamarathon.com>.

I am in the process of preparing the detailed communications plan, but
there will be assignments available along the course, as a shadow, and
in the pace cars. Course assignments are being focused on the last
section of the course, where the full and half marathons come
together.

I hope you can join us this year. While general volunteer
registration is available online, we have decided to move specialized
assignments to the paper form, so we can limit sign-ups. Please let
me know if you'd like to volunteer! Also, please let me know if you
have any assignment preferences or time restrictions.

73,
David Ziskind KE4QLH
ke4qlh@...

# 711. North Fulton ARES 2-Meter Net Report for Feb 22, 2009

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2009-02-23 01:59:48 UTC
From: Lee Juckett
Topic: 711  Message: 711

We had 13 check-in's for tonight's North Fulton ARES 2-Meter net:

1. W4UOC, Tom
2. N4SEC, Jim
3. KC4YBO, Steve
4. KD9RU, Dave
5. KJ4YM, Mark
6. KD4NKE, Shelia
7. KJ4HCB, Paul
8. K4YJI, Bill
9. AJ4NT, Matt
10. W4QO, Jim
11. KJ4HMF, John
12. W4CNG, Steve
13. AF4IA, Lee-NCS

We need to train and schedule several more net control operators to run the weekly net. I would like to have a different person responsible for each week of the month, as well as a couple others who can handle this net if necessary.

It is really pretty to run the net when you follow a script. Therefore, I have posted the net script that I use in the "files" section of the NFARES Yahoo Group web site, and have sent it to several of you. If others would like a copy and cannot download it from the Yahoo Group site, send me an email and I'll send it to you.

Most importantly, please email me at af4ia@... or Tom Koch at w4uoc@... if you are interested in volunteering or have any questions.

The net closed at 8:47 PM local time.

73,
- Lee, AF4IA

# 712. Skywarn Spotter Class

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2009-02-23 21:56:05 UTC
From: w4uoc@aol.com
Topic: 712  Message: 712
Attachments: 1 described; binary payloads are missing from this source WARC

What would you think about moving the March NFARES meeting to March 24th and participate in the Skywarn Spotter Class inlieu of having our meeting on the 10th?

Your thoughts

Tom Koch - W4UOC
EC NFARES
404-314-6109

Sandy Springs will be hosting a “Skywarn Spotter” Class on March 24th from 7pm to 9pm at City Hall and would like as many of you that can attend to come. The attached flyer has all of the information about what Skywarn is and how to register for the training. The registration link on the sandy springs web site will not be active until later today or in the morning.

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# 713. Re: Fw: [Elmers] IC-208H Keeps Transmitting

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2009-02-24 00:25:15 UTC
From: Lee Juckett
Topic: 709  Message: 713

The kind Elmers at eham as well as the technical service guy at Icom all suggested a power problem.  I
cleaned the power wire connections from the battery through the fuses
to the radio and it now works normally.  Of course, this was an
intermittent issue, so one never knows...

73,
- Lee, AF4IA

--- On Sat, 2/21/09, Lee Juckett <af4ia@...> wrote:
From: Lee Juckett <af4ia@...>
Subject: Fw: [Elmers] IC-208H Keeps Transmitting
To: "NFARL" <nfarl@yahoogroups.com>, "NFARES" <nfares@yahoogroups.com>
Date: Saturday, February 21, 2009, 10:12 PM

I just posted this on eham.net "elmers forum" also.  If any one has suggestions, please let me know.

I plan to do a full reset once I confirm I can reload the frequencies and settings using the Icom cloning software and cable.

Thanks and 73,
- Lee, AF4IA

--- On Sat, 2/21/09, Elmers@... <Elmers@...> wrote:
From: Elmers@eham.net <Elmers@...>
Subject: [Elmers] IC-208H Keeps Transmitting
To: af4ia@...
Date: Saturday, February 21, 2009, 10:07 PM

Posted By AF4IA

I have an IC-208H which is about 4 years old. This has been a great radio until
the last week. When I press the PTT switch on *some* stored frequencies, the
unit continues to transmit after I
release the PTT switch. After I turn the
power off then back on, it stops transmitting. On adjacent stored frequencies,
it does not continue to transmit, but ceases normally when I release the PTT
switch. The problem is therefore probably not related to the microphone. It is
also not the "one-touch PTT function," because I the "TX" on
the screen does not blink and there are no beeps sounding. Also, I have set and
reset the "one-touch PTT function" and that has no effect. I have done
a "partial reset" but not an "all reset" yet. Do you think
this is a settings issue or do I need to send somewhere for repair? Your
assistance would be greatly appreciated.

# 714. Re: Skywarn Spotter Class

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2009-02-24 00:29:14 UTC
From: Lee Juckett
Topic: 712  Message: 714

Assuming that Jeff Scarbrough is willing to open the class to our whole ARES group, it's a great idea.  I've taken the SkyWarn class several times, but a refresher is always a good idea.

On the other hand, if we move the meeting to a different day every month, nobody will remember when to come!

73,
- Lee, AF4IA

--- On Mon, 2/23/09, W4UOC@... <W4UOC@...> wrote:
From: W4UOC@... <W4UOC@...>
Subject: Skywarn Spotter Class
To: nfares@yahoogroups.com, jjcamilli@..., coachdavidmoore@..., bcobb10b@..., doug.reed@..., n4seg@..., n4osj@bellsouth.net, dhazell@..., k4yjj@..., barry@..., zack.phillips@..., redd1313@..., David.Simmons@EmoryJohnsCreek.com, William.Smith@...
Cc: af4ia@..., sstaton@mindspring.com, shelia.staton@..., kc4ybo@..., steve@w4cng.com, jpaine@..., w4qo@..., burdgej@...
Date: Monday, February 23, 2009, 4:56 PM

What would you think about moving the March NFARES meeting to March 24th
and participate in the Skywarn Spotter Class inlieu of having our meeting on the
10th?

Your thoughts

Tom Koch - W4UOC
EC NFARES
404-314-6109

Sandy
Springs will be hosting a “Skywarn Spotter” Class on March
24th from 7pm to 9pm at City Hall and would like as many of you
that can attend to come. The attached flyer has all of the information about
what Skywarn is and how to register for the training. The registration link on
the sandy springs web site will not be active until later today or in the
morning.

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Road , Bldg 500
Sandy
Springs , Ga.
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# 715. SkyWarn Training- March 24

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2009-02-24 18:44:22 UTC
From: w4uoc@aol.com
Topic: 715  Message: 715

We will be substitute the Sandy Springs Skywarn Spotter training scheduled for March 24th in place of our normally scheduled NFARES meeting that had previously been scheduled for March 10th . It will be necessary for you to register for this training on the Sandy Springs web site, noted below. All members of either the North Fulton Amateur Radio Emergency Service or the North Fulton Amateur Radio League are invited to participate in this training.
Tom Koch - W4UOC
EC - NFARES
What can you do to help protect yourself, your family and neighbors?
Consider becoming a trained Skywarn™ Spotter. A trained spotter knows the weather threats in Metro Atlanta, safety rules, and visual clues regarding thunderstorm strength.
When: Tuesday, March 24th 2009 From 7 pm to 9pm
Where: Sandy Springs City Hall in City Council Chambers
Who: Taught by the National Weather Service
Cost: FREE
_CLICK HERE TO REGISTER _
(http://eventactions.com/ea.aspx?ea=Rsvp&guid=cdf71690edd04619a4356bcc30401355)
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# 716. North Fulton ARES Net, 3/1/2009, 8:30 pm

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2009-02-27 01:25:44 UTC
From: nfares@yahoogroups.com
Topic: 716  Message: 716

Reminder from: nfares Yahoo! Group
http://groups.yahoo.com/group/nfares/cal

North Fulton ARES Net
Sunday March 1, 2009
8:30 pm - 9:30 pm
(This event repeats every week.)
(The next reminder for this event will be sent in 2 days, 4 minutes.)
Location: 147.060 MHz (plus 600kHz) PL 100.0. Backup is 145.470 MHz (minus 600 kHz) PL 100.0

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# 717. Cobb ARES Net - WED @ 9PM

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2009-02-27 17:51:08 UTC
From: Jim Stafford
Topic: 717  Message: 717

As close neighbors of Cobb County, I'd suggest that we all try to check into their ARES net:

WED at 9PM on the 146.88 machine (PL100)

see cobbares.org for more info.

Jim/w4qo

PS gotta run - thundering outside - disconnect antennas - turn on VHF radio - turn on WX radio - so much to do!!

# 718. North Fulton ARES Net, 3/1/2009, 8:30 pm

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2009-03-01 01:25:22 UTC
From: nfares@yahoogroups.com
Topic: 716  Message: 718

Reminder from: nfares Yahoo! Group
http://groups.yahoo.com/group/nfares/cal

North Fulton ARES Net
Sunday March 1, 2009
8:30 pm - 9:30 pm
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# 719. North Fulton ARES 2-Meter Net Report - March 1, 2009

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2009-03-02 02:04:30 UTC
From: Lee Juckett
Topic: 719  Message: 719

This evening we had 12 check-in's to the North Fulton ARES 2-Meter net:

1.  W4UOC, Tom
2.  W4CNG, Steve
3.  K4YJI, Bill
4.  N4SEC, Jim
5.  KD9RU, Dave
6.  N4CUS, John
7.  N4JDO, Marty
8.  WB4MAK, Mack
9.  KC4YBO, Steve
10.  KD4NKE, Shelia
11.  W4QO, Jim
12.  AF4IA, Lee-NCS

Tom W4UOC reminded us that we will not meet on Tuesday March 10, our regular second Tuesday schedule.  Instead, we will meet on March 24 at 7:00 pm for Skywarn training at Sandy Springs City Hall.  To register for this training, go to www.sandyspringsga.org and scroll down to the Skywarn logo and the "CLICK HERE TO REGISTER" link.  If you have difficulty with this process, please email Shelia at kd4nke@... or call her at 770-206-1506.

Steve KC4YBO also asked for volunteers for the upcoming ING marathon.  If you have any questions, please email him at kc4ybo@...

The net closed at 8:49 pm local time.

73 to all,
- Lee, AF4IA

# 720. Fwd: Disaster Drill 12-22-08

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2009-03-05 20:57:21 UTC
From: w4uoc@aol.com
Topic: 720  Message: 720

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From: David.Caldwell@...
To: W4UOC@...
CC: Zack.Phillips@...
Sent: 3/5/2009 9:59:12 A.M. Eastern Standard Time
Subj: Disaster Drill 122208

Tom,
I just wanted to drop you note about how much we appreciate the assistance that we have received from you and the rest of the NFARES group, especially during our disaster drill on 12/22/08 and again for the severe weather drill on 2/4/09. Our corporate offices (HCA in Nashville, TN) were very impressed with our ability to contact them during the December drill. We are learning a great deal from you guys and I know we have a long way to go, but every time we make contact we get a little better on our end.
Thanks again and I look forward to working with NFARES in the future,
David

David Caldwell
Director of Plant Operations
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Emory Johns Creek Hospital
6325 Hospital Parkway
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# 721. North Fulton ARES Net, 3/8/2009, 8:30 pm

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2009-03-06 00:25:53 UTC
From: nfares@yahoogroups.com
Topic: 721  Message: 721

Reminder from: nfares Yahoo! Group
http://groups.yahoo.com/group/nfares/cal

North Fulton ARES Net
Sunday March 8, 2009
8:30 pm - 9:30 pm
(This event repeats every week.)
(The next reminder for this event will be sent in 2 days, 4 minutes.)
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# 722. North Fulton ARES Net, 3/8/2009, 8:30 pm

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2009-03-08 00:25:25 UTC
From: nfares@yahoogroups.com
Topic: 721  Message: 722

Reminder from: nfares Yahoo! Group
http://groups.yahoo.com/group/nfares/cal

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Sunday March 8, 2009
8:30 pm - 9:30 pm
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# 723. North Fulton ARES 2-Meter Net Report, 03/08/09

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2009-03-09 01:03:28 UTC
From: Lee Juckett
Topic: 723  Message: 723

We had 14 check-in's for tonight's NFARES 2-meter net:

1.  AF4FO, Susan
2.  K4HBI, Mike
3.  W4CNG, Steve
4.  W4UOC, Tom
5.  KC4YBO, Steve
6.  K4YJI, Bill
7.  WB4MAK, Mack
8.  KC9RU, Dave
9.  N4SEC, Jim
10.  W4QO, Jim
11.  N4CUS, John
12.  KJ4HCB, Paul
13.  AJ4NT, Matt
14.  AF4IA, Lee-NCS

Tom reminded us that there is no NFARES meeting this Tuesday, the second Tuesday of the month.  However, we will meet as part of the SkyWarn training session on March 24 at the Sandy Springs City Council Chambers.  Please register for this *free* training in advance at the lower part of the page at www.sandyspringsga.org by the SkyWarn logo.  If you have any trouble registering, please email Shelia at KD4NKE@...

Job Opening! - NFARES has a job opening for a net control operator.  Currently, Shelia KD4NKE, Dave KD9RU, and I rotate the nets each week, so we need 1 more regular as well as others are interested to be alternates.  Please let me know if you are interested in this position.

The net closed at 8:46 PM local time.

73,
- Lee, AF4IA

# 724. Fwd: Might help If I sent the attachement

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2009-03-10 22:11:43 UTC
From: w4uoc@aol.com
Topic: 724  Message: 724
Attachments: 1 described; binary payloads are missing from this source WARC

Laurie,

Please forward this to all that will be involved in the Friday WebEOC meeting.(Especially the group in Nevada). The presentation describes how we can jump the Internet to allow communication from incident command headquarters and field operations using DStar.

Tom Koch EC North Fulton ARES

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From: dave@...
To: W4UOC@...
Sent: 3/10/2009 4:29:24 P.M. Eastern Daylight Time
Subj: Might help If I sent the attachement

Dave Cooley
N4DIB
www.tampadstar.com

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(http://yellowpages.aol.com/search?query=employment_agencies&ncid=emlcntusyelp00000005)

# 725. North Fulton ARES Net, 3/15/2009, 8:30 pm

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2009-03-13 00:25:18 UTC
From: nfares@yahoogroups.com
Topic: 725  Message: 725

Reminder from: nfares Yahoo! Group
http://groups.yahoo.com/group/nfares/cal

North Fulton ARES Net
Sunday March 15, 2009
8:30 pm - 9:30 pm
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# 726. North Fulton ARES Net, 3/15/2009, 8:30 pm

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2009-03-15 00:25:27 UTC
From: nfares@yahoogroups.com
Topic: 725  Message: 726

Reminder from: nfares Yahoo! Group
http://groups.yahoo.com/group/nfares/cal

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# 727. NFARES Net Report for 03/15/2009

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2009-03-16 01:51:25 UTC
From: Shelia Staton
Topic: 727  Message: 727

We had 15 check-ins for the 3/15/09 NFARES Net:

AF4FO Susan
K4HBI Mike
W4UOC Tom
W4QO Jim
K4YJI Bill
AF4IA Lee
KD9RU Dave
KJ4HMF John
N4SEC Jim
KJ4HCB Paul
AJ4NT Matt
KG4WQN Rose Mary
KJ4GAM John
WX4JMS John
KD4NKE Shelia (Net Control)

Announcements:

Jim W4QO: CW Special Interest Group - Practice on 145.47 every Monday, Wednesday, and Friday at 8:00 p.m. Jim has special help CDs for those who are serious about learning CW. Also, the NFARL Monthly club meeting is Tuesday (3/17) at 7:30 p.m. at the Alpharetta Masonic Lodge. More information can be found at www.nfarl.org.

Tom W4UOC: Skywarn class will be held on 3/24 from 7-9:00 p.m. at Sandy Springs City Hall. To register, please contact Shelia at kd4nke@.... Tom provided a demo for ESi on 3/13/09. Jim Paine and Mack McCormick set up the UHF/VHF/Dstar station for the Alpharetta EOC. Tom has been approached to help assist in installing a station at the St. Joseph's EOC.

Shelia KD4NKE: Kennehoochee Hamfest is on 3/21 from 8:00 a.m. until 3:00 p.m. To volunteer to work the table, please contact Shelia at kd4nke@....

The net closed at 8:45 p.m. local time. Thank you for your participation.

Shelia
KD4NKE

# 728. Aero Medical Crash at Butterworth Hospital, Grand Rapids, MI

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2009-03-18 13:10:41 UTC
From: w4uoc@aol.com
Topic: 728  Message: 728
Attachments: 1 described; binary payloads are missing from this source WARC

Jeff

Have you seen this.... I also have a power point from the ARES/RACES group that were involved in this incident.

Tom Koch - W4UOC

_http://blog.mlive.com/grpress/aero_med_crash/_
(http://blog.mlive.com/grpress/aero_med_crash/)
**********Feeling the pinch at the grocery store? Make dinner for $10 or less. (http://food.aol.com/frugal-feasts?ncid=emlcntusfood00000001)

# 729. Fwd: Butterworth Crash

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2009-03-18 19:28:40 UTC
From: w4uoc@aol.com
Topic: 729  Message: 729
Attachments: 2 described; binary payloads are missing from this source WARC

I used the attached after action report from the MMRS/RACES group in Grand Rapids , MI and the power point about D-Rats and D-Star at todays Metro Medical Strike Team (the boots on the ground team of the Metro Medical Response System (MMRS) meeting at the Alpharetta Public Safety EOC . We talked with the folks from CommFirst and showed how we can connect D-Rats via the onboard WiFi to Satellite Dish in their Hummer H-2 to connect to the Internet. The metro Fire/Rescue and Law Enforcement agencies seemed very impressed and interested in working closer with us.

Most were in agreement that low speed data would be sufficient for the type of emergency reporting that may be required to back up their EMA efforts. I had shown the Patient Tracking Document as an example of the types data and forms we can easily handle.

Justin Wilson, the Alpharetta EMA director provided a tour of the Alpharetta EOC and we also showed the group our D-Star radio located in the EOC.

I talked with Chuck Cannarella, Atlanta/Fulton County EMA/MMST director about help funding the Ft. Mountain D-Star repeater. He is going to send me an MOU to facilitate that effort. He said it looked very promising. The Ft. Mountain installation would provide better D-Star coverage for the N.W metro counties.

We also discussed a concept to put a D-Star repeater at Northside Hospital due to it's great/high location, on "Pill Hill" to provide better D-Star coverage for metro Atlanta.

I also met with the Atlanta Red Cross Director and they are also interested in putting D-Star equipment at their headquarters. Who would be the best contact for working on that?

Chuck would also like our help in getting involved with other surrounding counties EMA groups such as the Winder Barrow area. Who is the Fire/Rescue person we have previously interfaced with in the Winder/Jefferson area that is currently has a D-Star repeater in operation? MMST is involved with 21 metro counties as shown in the attachment.

Tom Koch - W4UOC
EC North Fulton ARES
404-314-6109

BELOW IS SOME HISTORY ABOUT THE AERO MEDICAL CRASH AT BUTTERWORTH HOSPITAL IN GRAND RAPIDS, MI!

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From: dennis49544@...

To: W4UOC@...
Sent: 3/18/2009 9:25:40 A.M. Eastern Daylight Time
Subj: Butterworth Crash

This was an actual AeroMed crash with full response to include RACES. I have removed the "ice breaker" video clip at the front of this PWR Point and saved it in 97-2003 . You should be able to show it .

The hospital is the largest in West Michigan and we evacuated it from the 10th floor down to the 3rd in 30 minutes, W/out the use of elevators.....good trick aaaaa. The power point presentation suggest things we can do quicker and better next time. One of the biggest problems was the helicopter took out the security forces repeater antenna and their HT's did not have any simplex programed in. The second problem for the hospital was the fire department had the aux. generator shut down for 22 minutes during the evacuation because of fuel leaking into the hospital. They had no phone communications so department heads made all their own decisions......like less get out of here... ha ha.

Not enough phone lines into the hospital EOC and they required power to operate. My Sprint cell phone seemed to be the only carrier that worked in the EOC. My phone got a work out.... ha ha.

The IC for the hospital was not expecting a disaster that day and left her 800 MHz radio home and did not return to get it once she realized she didn't have it with her (Murphy's law kicked in). The spare 80 MHz radio at the hospital had dead batteries (now has a AA pack).

Anyhow these things, to include an automatic response system for RACES, was worked out . We no longer wait to be invited on major incidents. Leadership responds to the scene and the rest staged close by or at other receiving hospitals. BB (Bro. Bob)

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# 730. North Fulton ARES Net, 3/22/2009, 8:30 pm

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2009-03-20 01:58:55 UTC
From: nfares@yahoogroups.com
Topic: 730  Message: 730

Reminder from: nfares Yahoo! Group
http://groups.yahoo.com/group/nfares/cal

North Fulton ARES Net
Sunday March 22, 2009
8:30 pm - 9:30 pm
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# 731. Fwd: ARLX005 Global Simulated Emergency Test Scheduled for April

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2009-03-20 15:01:48 UTC
From: w4uoc@aol.com
Topic: 731  Message: 731
Attachments: 1 described; binary payloads are missing from this source WARC

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# 732. May 20, 2009 Hospital Emergency Service Drill

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2009-03-20 15:33:31 UTC
From: w4uoc@aol.com
Topic: 732  Message: 732

At the Grady Emergency Planning Council meeting, we learned about an upcoming full-scale exercise that could include all the hospitals in Georgia Hospital Association (GHA) Region D. Grady is the Regional Coordinating Hospital. I'm not certain that there will be a role for ham radio, but I wanted to give you a "heads up" about the date so you could think if you even want to be involved in a mid-week exercise.

This exercise involves the use of the CDC Chem-Pak supplies to protect against some sort of mock chemical attack.

In any case, I wanted you to think about your mid-week, daytime resources in relation to hospitals that are equipped or could be equipped with ham radio
facilities and see if this is something you want to do, if they ask us to participate.

We would probably be required to assign radio operators to those facilities that do not have licensed hams normally available to operate their stations or to bring in temporary equipment for the drill.

Tom Koch - W4UOC
Emergency Coordinator - North Fulton Amateur Radio Emergency Service
404-314-6109
_w4uoc@..._ (mailto:w4uoc@...)
_w4uoc@..._ (mailto:w4uoc@...)

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# 733. North Fulton ARES Net, 3/22/2009, 8:30 pm

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2009-03-22 00:25:40 UTC
From: nfares@yahoogroups.com
Topic: 730  Message: 733

Reminder from: nfares Yahoo! Group
http://groups.yahoo.com/group/nfares/cal

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# 734. For Sale - Vintage AM Station (working)

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2009-03-23 18:14:50 UTC
From: w4uoc@aol.com
Topic: 734  Message: 734

I am thinning out some of my vintage AM equipment and have for sale a 100 watt Heathkit DX-100 transmitter and Hammarlund HQ-129X receiver. $500.00 for the package. Both have been restored and are in excellent working condition. Local pick-up only.

Hammarlund HQ-129X Receiver 1946

DX-100 Phone & CW Transmitter

Tom Koch - W4UOC
8170 Habersham Waters Road
Sandy Springs, GA 30350
404-314-6109
**********Feeling the pinch at the grocery store? Make dinner for $10 or less. (http://food.aol.com/frugal-feasts?ncid=emlcntusfood00000001)

# 735. ARES Net Control report 3/22/09

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2009-03-23 17:33:14 UTC
From: David Hazell KD9RU
Topic: 735  Message: 735
Attachments: 1 described; binary payloads are missing from this source WARC

There were 12 check-ins for the NFARES Net on 3/22/09.

1. AF4FO Susan

2. K4HBI Mike

3. W4CNG Steve

4. W4UOC Tom

5. WB4MAK Mack

6. AF4IA Lee

7. W4QO Jim

8. KJ4HCB Paul

9. KJ4SAM Rick

10. AJ4NT Matt

11. KB7WO Rich

12. KD9RU Dave (Net Control)

Announcements

de W4UOC

1. NWS Sky-Warn training will be conducted Tuesday March 24th at the Sandy Springs government center. Interested parties who have not registered may do so by contacting Sheila (KD4NKE) at the center.

2. AEC positions for the cities of Milton and Johns Creek will soon be filled.

3. Jim Stafford (W4QO) present the program for the April meeting (2nd Tuesday).

The net was closed at 8:49 PM. Thanks to all who participated.

# 736. North Fulton ARES Net, 3/29/2009, 8:30 pm

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2009-03-27 00:27:00 UTC
From: nfares@yahoogroups.com
Topic: 736  Message: 736

Reminder from: nfares Yahoo! Group
http://groups.yahoo.com/group/nfares/cal

North Fulton ARES Net
Sunday March 29, 2009
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# 737. SKYWARN Activations Potential

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2009-03-28 12:52:57 UTC
From: w4uoc@aol.com
Topic: 737  Message: 737

Ok Folks,

You need to make your groups aware of "Weather" tomorrow. According to our ADEC with the NWS in PTC (Huey Kenmar KI4NGD) the staff said that activations could start as early as 8am and go as late as Midnight tomorrow. Isolated severe storms with wind, moderate to heavy rain (1 to 3 inches) can be expected in the northern half of the state. (8am to noon) In the central (cover all of the metro ATL area) part of state to the southern part of the state could get isolated severe storms from Noon to 10pm. Main threat could be wind and possible tornados. Moderate to heavy rain 1 to 3 inches is possible. All the before mentioned info was from a weather briefing (by the NWS in PTC) that was shared with EMA directors today.

Please be safe, but ready to send your reports to the NWS either via the Skywarn Link System (http://maps.google.com/maps/ms?client=firefox-a&hl=en&ie=UTF8&msa=0&msid=10113830158907340237 3.000463612bd69ac9d8c96&z=7) or by the web or phone to the NWS (http://www.srh.noaa.gov/ffc/html/strmsubm1.shtml).

Please share this with other groups so we can get as many "eyes and ears" out there as possible. Please remind everyone that this is a state wide net. It may become necessary to "tighten" down what comes in and goes out over the net. Our main job for the NWS is to gather weather reports so they can better "Warn" for certain areas. It may not be possible to read every warning and to give out "local" weather info.

The main thing for everyone however is to be safe. Remember you and your families safety should be #1. Getting the report into the NWS is #2. Please everyone be careful.

73,
Robert Burton
KD4YDC
DEC NWS in PTC

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# 738. North Fulton ARES Net, 3/29/2009, 8:30 pm

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2009-03-29 00:25:28 UTC
From: nfares@yahoogroups.com
Topic: 736  Message: 738

Reminder from: nfares Yahoo! Group
http://groups.yahoo.com/group/nfares/cal

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# 739. North Fulton ARES 2-Meter Net Report, 03/29/09

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2009-03-30 01:11:35 UTC
From: af4ia@arrl.net
Topic: 739  Message: 739

We had 17 check-in's for tonight's NFARES 2-meter net:

1.  W4UOC, Tom
2.  W4CNG, Steve
3.  N4SEC, Jim
4.  N4JDO, Marty
5.  WX4JMS, John
6.  N4CUS, John
7.  KD9RU, Dave
8.  KJ4HMF, John
9.  KJ4HCB, Paul
10.  KI4WWV, Kendra (via relay)
11.  KD4NKE, Shelia
12.  AD4MC, Mike
13.  W5JR, Mike
14.  W4QO, Jim
15.  KJ4HCC, Susan
16.  KJ4HYG, Chris
17.  AF4IA, Lee, NCS

Tom W4UOC reminded us that the next NFARES meeting will be on April 14, the second Tuesday of the month, as usual.  The topic for this meeting will be net control procedures, presented by W4QO, Jim.

John WX4JMS, suggested that we register on www.spotternetwork.org to be able to send Skywarn reports to the National Weather Service.

The net closed at 8:47 PM local time.

73 to all,
- Lee, AF4IA

The net closed at 8:47 PM local time.

# 740. April 14th NFARES Meeting/Program

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2009-03-30 21:29:50 UTC
From: w4uoc@aol.com
Topic: 740  Message: 740

Shelia Staton, KD4NKE, AEC for the Sandy Springs EOC, will chair the meeting, handle the introductions and any business that needs to be presented or discussed. Unfortunately I will be in Minnesota, handling some family business and thus unable to attend this meeting.

Jim Stafford, W4QO will be presenting the program for the April 14th NFARES meeting at the City of Sandy Springs, City Council Chambers Bldg 500, starting at 7:00 p.m. The City of Sandy Springs offices are located just North of the intersections of Roswell Road and Morgan Falls. The offices are in the Morgan Falls Office Park. Some preparation will be needed prior to the meeting so review the attached pre meeting outline.

You don't have to be an ARES member to participate in these meetings or our local NFARES net which is regularly conducted at 8:30 p.m. every Sunday evening on the 147.06 repeater (+ offset/100Hz tone).

73

Tom Koch - W4UOC
404-314-6109
_w4uoc@..._ (mailto:w4uoc@...)

Basic Traffic Handling Techniques

In this seminar, you will learn (or relearn) the following:

1. How to structure a RadioGram
2. How to use HX and other shortcuts
3. How to pass a message and deal with errors
4. How to check into a net and net procedures
5. How to act as NCS and using tactical callsigns
6. How to move traffic efficiently using multiple frequencies.

You should bring a handheld (if you have one) programmed for the following frequencies: 147.06 (+), 145.47 (-), 444.475 (+), 443.150 (+), 145.41 (-), and 146..49 (simplex) if possible. Put PL100 on all channels even though it is not required on some. Do not worry if you do not or can't remember how to program these frequencies! Bring a pencil or two - paper and message forms will be provided.

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# 741. Weather Warnings for North Fulton County

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2009-04-02 16:27:46 UTC
From: w4uoc@aol.com
Topic: 741  Message: 741

Jeff Scarbrough the Fire Marshal for Sandy Springs has asked us to watch the weather in the North Fulton areas and report any damaging winds or other events to the Sandy Springs EOC. Shelia, KD4NKE will be monitoring the 147.06 ARES repeater (147.06 +600 100 Hz tone) for any local weather situations. We may need to also monitor the 146.82 repeater (146.82 -600 148.2 Hz tone) if the Weather Net is activated from the Peachtree City NOAA Weather Bureau.

Internet links for Weather Spotter Reporting if not via radio?

Skywarn Link System
_http://maps.http://mapshttp://maps.<WBhttp://ma&<WBR>&ie=ie=<&msa=m&msid=101138301msid=10113830msid=101138301<Wmsid=&z=7_
(http://maps.google.com/maps/ms?client=firefox-a&hl=en&ie=UTF8&msa=0&msid=101138301589073402373.000463612bd69ac9d8c96&z=7)

or by the web or phone to the NWS
_http://www.srh.http://wwhttp://wwhttp://wwwhttp:_
(http://www.srh.noaa.gov/ffc/html/strmsubm1.shtml) .

Tom Koch - W4UOC
EC - North Fulton ARES

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# 742. North Fulton ARES Net, 4/5/2009, 8:30 pm

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2009-04-03 00:25:46 UTC
From: nfares@yahoogroups.com
Topic: 742 Message: 742

Reminder from: nfares Yahoo! Group
http://groups.yahoo.com/group/nfares/cal

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# 743. North Fulton ARES Net, 4/5/2009, 8:30 pm

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2009-04-05 00:25:34 UTC
From: nfares@yahoogroups.com
Topic: 742  Message: 743

Reminder from: nfares Yahoo! Group
http://groups.yahoo.com/group/nfares/cal

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# 744. North Fulton County ARES 2-Meter Net Report

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2009-04-06 01:14:03 UTC
From: Lee Juckett
Topic: 744  Message: 744

We had 16 check-in's for tonight's NFARL 2-meter net:

1.  AF4FO, Susan-SM Georgia
2.  K4HBI, Mike-OOC Georgia and DEC Army MARS
3.  W4CNG, Steve-ADEC Metro Atlanta
4.  W4UOC, Tom-EC North Fulton County
5.  N4CUS, John
6.  K4YJI, Bill
7.  W4QO, Jim
8.  N4JDO, Marty
9.  AD4MC, Mike
10.  N4SEC, Jim-AEC Alpharetta
11.  AJ4NT, Matt
12.  KD9RU, Dave
13. KD4NKE, Shelia, AEC-Sandy Springs
14.  KJ4HCB, Paul
15.  KJ4JMF, John
16.  AF4IA, Lee, NCS

Tom W4UOC reminded us that our next NFARES meeting is on April 14, the second Tuesday of the month, as usual.  Jim W4QO will provide the program on net contorl, net procedures, and radiograms.  We have had a previous email on this topic.

Shelia KD4NKE announced that Sandy Springs Deputy Chief Jeff Scarbrough has asked for communication assistance during the Sandy Springs Challenge on May 3.  This a 5K run that begins at 7:30 AM and a 62-mile bike ride that begins at 9:00 AM.  It also includes a "a friendly cycling
competition between the Sandy Springs Police and Fire departments."  More information about the event may be found at http://sandyspringschallenge.org/  and Shelia will provide details about ham radio participation as it becomes available.

The net closed at 8:46 PM local time.

73 to all,
- Lee, AF4IA

# 745. North Fulton County ARES Meeting, 4/14/2009, 7:00 pm

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2009-04-07 22:55:28 UTC
From: nfares@yahoogroups.com
Topic: 745  Message: 745

Reminder from: nfares Yahoo! Group
http://groups.yahoo.com/group/nfares/cal

North Fulton County ARES Meeting
Tuesday April 14, 2009
7:00 pm - 8:30 pm
(This event repeats every month on the second Tuesday.)
(The next reminder for this event will be sent in 6 days, 4 minutes.)
Location: Sandy Springs City Council Chambers
Street: Morgan Falls Office Park, 7840 Roswell Road Building 500
City State Zip: Sandy Springs, GA 30350

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# 746. North Fulton ARES Net, 4/12/2009, 8:30 pm

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2009-04-10 00:25:25 UTC
From: nfares@yahoogroups.com
Topic: 746  Message: 746

Reminder from: nfares Yahoo! Group
http://groups.yahoo.com/group/nfares/cal

North Fulton ARES Net
Sunday April 12, 2009
8:30 pm - 9:30 pm
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# 747. North Fulton ARES Net, 4/12/2009, 8:30 pm

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2009-04-12 00:27:03 UTC
From: nfares@yahoogroups.com
Topic: 746  Message: 747

Reminder from: nfares Yahoo! Group
http://groups.yahoo.com/group/nfares/cal

North Fulton ARES Net
Sunday April 12, 2009
8:30 pm - 9:30 pm
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# 748. North Fulton ARES 2-Meter Net Report, 04/12/09

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2009-04-13 00:55:16 UTC
From: Lee Juckett
Topic: 748  Message: 748

We had 15 check-in's for tonight's NFARES 2-meter net:

1.  W4UOC, Tom-EC North Fulton County
2.  W4CNG, Steve-ADEC Metro Atlanta
3.  N4SEC, Jim-AEC Alpharetta
4.  WB4MAK, Mack
5.  KD9RU, Dave
6.  AJ4NT, Matt
7.  N4CUS, John
8.  K4YJI, Bill
9.  N4JDO, Marty
10.  W4QO, Jim
11.  KJ4HMF, John
12.  KD4NKE, Shelia-AEC Sandy Springs
13.  KJ4HCB, Paul-Dekalb ARES
14.  AG4WY, Mark
15.  AF4IA, Lee-NCS

Tuesday night at 7:30 PM is the next NFARES monthly meeting at the Sandy Springs City Hall.  It will be hosted by Shelia, KD4NKE.  Jim, W4QO, will present a program on net procedures.

73 to all,
- Lee, AF4IA

# 749. Free Older Computer

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2009-04-13 03:15:19 UTC
From: Shelia Staton
Topic: 749  Message: 749

Hi Everyone,

I have a computer to give away to anyone who might want it. It has a 20 gig hard drive, 1.33 mhz processor, and a CD burner. It was my old machine that I gave to my stepfather. He passed away in 2005, and the computer has been sitting idle at my Mom's ever since. I know it's a doorstop, but I was hoping that someone may have a good use for it. I thought I had a home for it, but it will cost too much to make it usable for what my friend needs.

Please let me know if you are interested at KD4NKE@....

Thank you.

Shelia

# 750. North Fulton County ARES Meeting, 4/14/2009, 7:00 pm

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2009-04-13 22:56:35 UTC
From: nfares@yahoogroups.com
Topic: 745  Message: 750

Reminder from: nfares Yahoo! Group
http://groups.yahoo.com/group/nfares/cal

North Fulton County ARES Meeting
Tuesday April 14, 2009
7:00 pm - 8:30 pm
(This event repeats every month on the second Tuesday.)
Location: Sandy Springs City Council Chambers
Street: Morgan Falls Office Park, 7840 Roswell Road Building 500
City State Zip: Sandy Springs, GA 30350

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# 751. NWS (KFFC) Echolink Node

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2009-04-11 17:55:26 UTC
From: WX4JMS
Topic: 751  Message: 751

With the next round of storms due to roll through on Sunday, I would like to take this moment to let everyone know that the NWS Peachtree City Echolink node is: 251687.
Good Hunting.
John de WX4JMS

# 752. North Fulton ARES Net, 4/19/2009, 8:30 pm

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2009-04-17 00:26:57 UTC
From: nfares@yahoogroups.com
Topic: 752  Message: 752

Reminder from: nfares Yahoo! Group
http://groups.yahoo.com/group/nfares/cal

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# 753. Tower for sale in ga

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2009-04-16 22:13:22 UTC
From: David
Topic: 753  Message: 753

http://www.govdeals.com/eas/itmDisplay.cfm?itemID=5&acctID=2139

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David Schornak
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Mis Ginger

Einstein said: "You see, wire telegraph is a kind of a very,very long cat.
You pull his tail in New York and his head is meowing in Los Angeles.
Do you understand this?
And radio operates exactly the same way:
you send signals here, they receive them there.
The only difference is that there is no cat."

# 754. When all else fails, amateur radio...

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2009-04-17 02:57:18 UTC
From: Jim Stafford W4QO
Topic: 754  Message: 754

Here is a story on the ARRL site:

http://www.arrl.org/news/stories/2009/04/15/10771/

Very interesting.

# 755. Re: When all else fails, amateur radio... MORE

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2009-04-17 22:50:48 UTC
From: Jim Stafford W4QO
Topic: 754  Message: 755

From my friend Jeff, KE9V, his blog on this news item:

http://ke9v.net/?p=166

While there, check out his Long Delayed Echos section - audio and very good for your MP3 player and walking the dog.

--- In nfares@yahoogroups.com, "Jim Stafford W4QO" <qrp@...> wrote:
>
> Here is a story on the ARRL site:
>
> http://www.arrl.org/news/stories/2009/04/15/10771/
>
> Very interesting.
>

# 756. HAMS PROVIDE COMMUNICATIONS SUPPORT

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2009-04-18 12:56:06 UTC
From: w4uoc@aol.com
Topic: 756  Message: 756

WHEN VANDALS STRIKE INFRASTRUCTURE, HAMS PROVIDE COMMUNICATIONS SUPPORT

Just after midnight on April 9, someone climbed down four manholes in the San Jose, California area and cut underground fiber optic cables. The sabotage led to widespread disruption of phone service -- including tens of thousands of land lines, an undetermined number of cell phones, Internet access and 911 emergency service -- in southern Santa Clara County, as well as in Santa Cruz and San Benito counties. San Jose is the county seat of Santa Clara County. With the infrastructure disabled, local Emergency Management officials called on ham radio operators in their communities to provide back-up communications. According to the "San Jose Mercury News," Santa Clara County called a local state of emergency, "but worst-case scenarios were successfully avoided through use of ham radios, door-to-door checks and extra-vigilant patrols" <http://www.mercurynews.com/centralcoast/ci_12121118?nclick_check=1>.

In Santa Cruz County, just over the Santa Cruz Mountains from San Jose, Santa Cruz County District Emergency Coordinator Cap Pennell, KE6AFE, was awoken just after 5 AM on April 9 by uniformed police at his door. Sent by Dominican Hospital President Nanette Mickiewicz, the police officers escorted Pennell to the hospital for a brief on this situation: The fiber optic lines that had been cut in San Jose had affected the Santa Cruz hospital's communications infrastructure, cutting off communications from the hospital to the outside world. Santa Cruz is located on the northern edge of the Monterey Bay, about 70 miles south of San Francisco.

"While I was meeting with hospital department heads, Bob Wolbert, K6XX, had started our ARES Resource Net on the W6WLS/W6MOW linked repeaters," Pennell told the ARRL. "During the briefing, the hospital determined to implement HICS/SEMS for this emergency. There hadn't been telephones or Internet anywhere since about 2:30 AM. The hospital's phone system did work, but only within the hospital. Their internal computer local area network wasn't working either, so they were instantly on a 'paper system.'"

By 6:15, Pennell said they had established tactical radio links on the K6BJ/KI6EH linked repeaters between the Dominican Hospital Emergency Operations Center in Santa Cruz and the Watsonville Community Hospital emergency room; Watsonville is about 15 miles south of Santa Cruz via the Pacific Coast Highway. "We established HEARNET 155.385 simplex between both hospital ERs and County 911; HEARNET is the Hospital Emergency Administrative Radio Network. Once HEARNET (ER staff) and K6BJ repeater (hams) were staffed and operating at both hospitals, I left the hospital to become our initial ham operator at the County Emergency Operations Center and operated as ARES/ACS shift supervisor from there for the rest of the day," Pennell reported.

Throughout the day, Pennell said that hams -- including some in Monterey County who had been working telephones -- helped dispatch ambulances, conferred with the Poison Center on a children's poisoning case, ordered replacement blood supplies for two hospitals from San Jose Red Cross, relayed a complex major "whole hospital" day's food order to the supplier out of county, tracked down various doctors for emergency consultations and shared status updates from our area. "We did all this while in unity with the County government, public safety agencies and California Emergency Management Agency's Coastal Region," he said. "Greg Smith of Cal-EMA <http://www.calema.ca.gov/> spent the day in the Santa Cruz EOC with us." All service was restored
by 12:15 AM on Friday, April 10.

NETCOM, the dispatch center for most police and fire agencies in Santa Cruz County, was able to receive 911 calls placed from land lines, but could not receive calls placed from cell phones, said Santa Cruz County Senior Dispatcher Stephanie Zube. "Because the only phone number many land line phone owners could call was 911," she said the center received "countless calls" regarding the blackout: "At least several people attempted to call 911 before driving themselves to the emergency room. A lady in Gilroy fled her home when a robber broke in, and couldn't call 911 before fleeing to a nearby firehouse."

Vandalism Takes Out System

San Jose and San Carlos police are joined in their investigation of the cut fiber optic cables -- now considered by authorities to be a coordinated act of sabotage -- by the Santa Clara County Sheriff's Office and the FBI. The investigation also includes members of AT&T's security force, a handful of trained investigators working for the company. Authorities said on April 10 that evidence collection was complete, but would not elaborate on what exactly what they are examining or whether new security measures are in place to prevent similar acts of destruction.

San Jose police reported receiving about 10 tips concerning the sabotage; San Carlos police told the "Mercury News" that they were examining video surveillance of a major intersection near one of the four locations where AT&T's underground fiber-optic cables were sliced early Thursday morning.

On April 11, AT&T issued a $100,000 reward for information, but bumped up the reward to $250,000 the next day when it discovered that the damage was more serious than originally thought. According to the Daily Tech, some banks in the area were forced to close temporarily, while all service was disabled and hand-written receipts were offered to customers. Many businesses also were forced to either accept cash or close for a few hours, since credit card and ATM transactions were unavailable <http://www.dailytech.com/Vandals+Cut+Phone+Cables+Drop+Service+for+50K+People+911+Services/article14821.htm>.

Authorities say the communications sabotage occurred in two separate incidents, one at 1:30 AM in south San Jose and the other two hours later in San Carlos. Several companies, such as Verizon, "piggy back" on the AT&T-owned

cables. AT&T spokesman John Britton told the "Mercury News" <http://www.mercurynews.com/centralcoast/ci_12115324?nclick> that it appears vandals opened a manhole and climbed down at least 8 feet to cut four or five fiber optic cables along Monterey Road just north of the Blossom Hill Road exit. The second vandalism was along Old County Road near Bing Street in San Carlos. San Jose police spokesman Sergeant Ronnie Lopez said the manhole covers are heavy and would take quite an effort to lift, perhaps even requiring a tool. Investigators do not have a suspect yet, he said, but have learned "to expect the unexpected. We have some obvious clues and can assume some things," but a motive remains elusive <http://www.mercurynews.com/valley/ci_12142268>.

Community Leaders Praise Hams

Gilroy, the southernmost city in Santa Clara County, was also affected. City Administrator/Director of Emergency Services Thomas J. Haglund expressed his thanks to the Amateur Radio operators who assisted with communications support, saying, "This particular emergency situation underscores that our reliance on technology should be balanced with maintaining the very types of capabilities that you provided to us. Communication is an obvious key to adequately responding to any emergency and the efforts of the Mutual Aid Communicators and the Gilroy Police VIP's provided the necessary communication and public visibility in this instance and demonstrated just how important your training and skill is to our community. Thank you very much for your dedication and expertise."

Gilroy Police Chief Denise Turner echoed Haglund's comments: "We truly appreciated all of your help during this challenging event! Each of you played a key role in a successful operation. I feel better knowing we have dedicated volunteers like you that will come to our aid in time of need! Thank you!" -- Some information provided by "The San Jose Mercury News" and "The Daily Tech"

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# 757. North Fulton ARES Net, 4/19/2009, 8:30 pm

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2009-04-19 00:25:39 UTC
From: nfares@yahoogroups.com
Topic: 752  Message: 757

Reminder from: nfares Yahoo! Group
http://groups.yahoo.com/group/nfares/cal

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Sunday April 19, 2009
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# 758. North Fulton ARES Net Report for 4/19/2009

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2009-04-20 02:30:26 UTC
From: Shelia Staton
Topic: 758  Message: 758

There were 14 check-ins for the North Fulton ARES net held on 4/19/09 at 8:30 p.m.:

W4CNG Steve
W4UOC Tom
N4SEC Jim
W4QO Jim
K4YJI Bill
AF4IA Lee
KJ4HCB Paul
AD4MC Mike
N4JDO Marty
KD9RU Dave
AJ4NT Matt
AG4WY Mark
KG5WU Wayne
KD4NKE Shelia (Net Control)

Announcements:

1. Thanks to all who participated in the 4/14 survey for damage in the City of Sandy Springs.

2. Volunteers are needed on 5/3 from 11 a.m.- 6 p.m. for the Sandy Springs Challenge. Please contact Shelia at kd4nke@... to volunteer.

3. May 20th Pandemic Exercise - Tom (W4UOC) will share the details as they become available.

4. Tom (W4UOC) encouraged all to check into the GA ARES net on Sundays at 6:00 p.m. on 39.75. Steve (W4CNG) encouraged all who attempt to check-in to have a good working antenna and enough power to make the contact. Their net control can be anywhere in the state.

5. Tom (W4UOC) will share details as they become available on the Helicopter Down exercise to be held at Northside Hospital.

6. Tom (W4UOC) asked that anyone who is Net Control send the net report to nfares@yahoogroups.com as they have in the past, but also to send the report to GEMA at wx4gma@... and to copy him at w4uoc@....

7. Jim (W4QO) reminded that the North Fulton Amateur Radio League monthly meeting is on Tuesday, 4/21, at 7:30 p.m. Complete details can be found at www.nfarl.org. Don Nesbitt will be the speaker this month.

8. Jim (W4QO) reminded that TechNet is on Monday nights on 145.47. Again, details can be found at www.nfarl.org.

The net closed at 8:51 p.m. local time. Thank you to all who checked in.

Shelia
KD4NKE

# 759. How far does your VHF capability reach?

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2009-04-20 02:33:42 UTC
From: Matthew Garland
Topic: 759  Message: 759

Jim/W4QO made the point at last week's NFARES meeting that we may be called upon to operate simplex at times instead of always via a repeater. I started thinking about my VHF simplex capability--how far and with whom could I communicate via VHF simplex if the need arose?

Since "if you can't hear 'em, you can't work 'em", I tried listening on the repeater input during tonight's net. Here's who I copied:

Sheila/KD4NKE - loud and clear (from the Sandy Springs EOC?)
Tom/W4UOC - 100% copy with some noise
Lee/AF4IA - I could make out a few words
Paul/KJ4HCB - 100% copy
Mike/AD4MC - loud and clear (even when the repeater wasn't)
Mark/AG4WY - I could make out a few words (we live only a few miles apart and are usually full-quieting to each other--perhaps he was mobile?)

I missed Marty/N4JDO and Dave/KD9RU while I was trying to check-in, so I don't know whether they were copyable. I had no copy on anyone else.

My home QTH is near Ashford-Dunwoody Rd at Chaucer Rd (just inside I-285), and I'd be interested to try more VHF simplex tests if anyone is so inclined.

73,
Matt AJ4NT

# 760. If you see storm damage...

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2009-04-20 02:31:05 UTC
From: WX4JMS
Topic: 760  Message: 760

If you happen to have or see storm damage from tonight's storms, the National Weather Service has a new way for the public to report severe weather and storm damage. They have partnered with SpotterNetwork.org to allow for internet reports. You can still report severe weather through Espotter, reports through Skywarn (repeaters listed at www.georgiaskywarn.com), and by calling 866-763-4466.

John de WX4JMS

# 761. AirMail and WinLink Systems for ARES

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2009-04-20 14:47:20 UTC
From: w4uoc@aol.com
Topic: 761  Message: 761

I would recommend that you download the free AirMail/WinLink program and become familiarized with it's operation and use for future emcom assignments. We will spend some time at our next meeting familiarizing you with it's use and set-up requirements.

Tom - W4UOC

The Airmail Home Page
AirMail is a radio mail program for sending and receiving messages via Pactor over HF radio, either via the ham radio system or participating marine and commercial services.
[ _More Info_ (http://www.airmail2000.com/docs.htm) ] [ _Downloads_ (http://www.airmail2000.com/down.htm) ] [ _Links_ (http://www.airmail2000.com/links.htm) ]
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Airmail is a messaging program (similar to Outlook) specifically designed for connection to a HF radio mailbox station. Once connected to a compatible station, message transfer is completely automatic. On the ham bands, Airmail can transfer messages automatically with any station supporting the BBS or F6FBB protocols, such as Winlink-2000 (www.winlink.org), Winlink, F6FBB and MSYS and other Airmail stations. Airmail is also used as the client program by the _SailMail marine system_ (http://www.sailmail.com/) and _other participating systems_ (http://www.airmail2000.com/Airmail2000%20(Verio)/others.htm) . A "dumb terminal" mode is also provided but ordinary QSO's are not the program's forte.
Airmail is a 32-bit program which runs under Windows-95, 98, NT, 2000 or XP. Airmail supports the SCS PTC-II and PTC-IIe Pactor-2 modems as well as the original PTC Pactor modem, the Kantronics KAM+ and KAM-98, AEA/Timewave PK-232, PK-900, DSP-1232 and 2232, the MFJ 1276 and 1278B, and the HAL DXP-38 Clover/Pactor modem. (Sound cards are not supported).
Airmail is a program developed specifically for sending messages via HF radio and optimized for low-speed links, not an adaptation of an ordinary email. Airmail is written and supported by Jim Corenman, a cruising sailor who developed the program in an environment that rewarded efficient wireless communications- far from wired Internet connections.
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# 762. North Fulton ARES Net, 4/26/2009, 8:30 pm

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2009-04-24 00:25:23 UTC
From: nfares@yahoogroups.com
Topic: 762  Message: 762

Reminder from: nfares Yahoo! Group
http://groups.yahoo.com/group/nfares/cal

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# 763. North Fulton ARES Net, 4/26/2009, 8:30 pm

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2009-04-26 00:25:53 UTC
From: nfares@yahoogroups.com
Topic: 762  Message: 763

Reminder from: nfares Yahoo! Group
http://groups.yahoo.com/group/nfares/cal

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# 764. ARES NET April 24th.

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2009-04-27 14:39:00 UTC
From: David Hazell KD9RU
Topic: 764  Message: 764
Attachments: 1 described; binary payloads are missing from this source WARC

There were 11check-ins for the North Fulton ARES Net Sunday April 26, 2009 at 8:30 P.M.:

1. W4UOC
2. W4VRX
3. WB4MAK
4. KG5WU
5. KJ4HCC
6. AJ4MT
7. N4QXH
8. KJ4HCB
9. KD4NKE
10. N4JDO
11. KD9RU - Net Control

Announcements:

W4UOC- Tom discussed the Sandy Springs public service event (races) that will take place Saturday May 3rd and read a list of operators who have already signed up to participate. Please contact Shelia at kd4nke@nfarl.org if you wish to volunteer.

N4JDO - Marty shared his experience in supporting the Centurion Race and emphasized the need for adequate operator staffing around the race course in contributing to race safety.

The net closed at 8:46 P.M. EST. Thanks to all who checked in. The next ARES net will be Sunday May 3rd and Net Control will be Lee AF4IA.

DAVE

KD9RU

# 765. North Fulton ARES Net, 5/3/2009, 8:30 pm

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2009-05-01 00:26:28 UTC
From: nfares@yahoogroups.com
Topic: 765  Message: 765

Reminder from: nfares Yahoo! Group
http://groups.yahoo.com/group/nfares/cal

North Fulton ARES Net
Sunday May 3, 2009
8:30 pm - 9:30 pm
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# 766. Sandy Springs Cycling Challenge - NFARES/CERT Involvement

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2009-05-01 13:45:08 UTC
From: w4uoc@aol.com
Topic: 766  Message: 766

SANDY SPRINGS CYCLING CHALLENGE

(http://rs6.net/tn.jsp?et=1102563148019&s=2384&e=001PWcw3rmimBuBbmjmFfq9tcECTzVxl2dhg32oe5qDZjM2ng8R_NdMcDuViKiKCtguZk221IQ1_nhZkH8EyeKxkROdN4SVjzPyjJyudCIo-83mztlTJ-5JfJzmsmwIKMK-) The Sandy Springs Cycling Challenge is a seven city cycling race with the finale in Sandy Springs. Featured at this event will be a century ride, 5K, police vs. fire bike race, a kids area, art show and trackside dining. Events start at 7:30 A.M. and end at 6 P.M. Race times alternate throughout the day so check out the full event schedule online at _www.sandyspringschallenge.org_ (http://rs6.net/tn.jsp?et=1102563148019&s=2384&e=001PWcw3rmimBuspYAOTLef-QZI61wzYfrgErc1jKlORKfC4Qfsf9gUtBrZlOkBd9xrylCSfEZ2Paxfrm9Jfss4JJRgWn-1e2ok16rdC0DqMO-JJ6Siz5DWfu7H2-VVUKF5) .

(http://rs6.net/tn.jsp?et=1102563148019&s=2384&e=001PWcw3rmimBtvb02qIHZqw_o4UFkDDlk7_YyMP-VcA1SVpwB4KKZtaC7JAoFVESChvAf0uhAUsovG1_YiObWHQqhOebgmiG5BYPzim7Vx2FZL9ekJzHA6whvBKby6Eo4_XSLD58M5nVNg1QsAZootAdX2K-23ZkhKwOQ1hPOp_5D4Kcymz6M7ng==) Spend a beautiful Spring day at the Sandy Springs Cycling Challenge, a City of Sandy Springs sponsored event.

Visit the City's photo gallery from last years Sandy Springs Cycling Challenge on _Flickr_ (http://rs6.net/tn.jsp?et=1102563148019&s=2384&e=001PWcw3rmimBtvb02qIHZqw_o4UFkDDlk7_YyMP-VcA1SVpwB4KKZtaC7JAoFVESChvAf0uhAUsovG1_YiObWHQqhOebgmiG5BYPzim7Vx2FZL9ekJzHA6whvBKby6Eo4_XSLD58M5nVNg1QsAZootAdX2K-23ZkhKwOQ1hPOp_5D4Kcymz6M7ng==) .

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# 767. North Fulton ARES Net, 5/3/2009, 8:30 pm

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2009-05-03 00:26:05 UTC
From: nfares@yahoogroups.com
Topic: 765  Message: 767

Reminder from: nfares Yahoo! Group
http://groups.yahoo.com/group/nfares/cal

North Fulton ARES Net
Sunday May 3, 2009
8:30 pm - 9:30 pm
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# 768. Sandy Donahue, W4RU, SK

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2009-05-04 19:43:57 UTC
From: Lee Juckett
Topic: 768  Message: 768

I am saddened to pass on the following report from the ARRL today:

Attention All Amateurs...

ARRL Southeastern Division Vice Director Sandy Donahue, W4RU (SK) (May 4, 2009) -- The ARRL is sad to report that Southeastern Division Vice Director Sandy Donahue, W4RU, of Dothan, Alabama, passed away on May 4. He was 63. Donahue, an ARRL Life Member, served as Vice Director since January 2002. Licensed for almost 50 years, Donahue received his first call sign -- WA4ABY -- at age 15. Exhibiting a lifelong commitment to public service throughout his amateur career, he always supported the ARRL and the Amateur Radio Service. Before becoming Vice Director in 2002, Donahue served as ARRL Georgia Section Manager from 1997-2001. More information, including service arrangements, will follow as it becomes available.
- Lee, AF4IA

# 769. NFARES 2-meter net, Sunday May 3, 2009

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2009-05-04 17:38:33 UTC
From: mike.cohen@emerson.com
Topic: 769  Message: 769

We had 14 check-ins for the NFARES 2-meter net on Sunday, May 3, 2009:

W4UOC, Tom, EC North Fulton County
W4CNG, Steve, ADEC Metro Atlanta
N4JDO, Marty
AF4IA, Lee
WB4MAK, Mack
N4SEC, Jim
K4YJI, Bill
KD9RU, Dave
AJ4NT, Matt
W4QO, Jim
KD4NKE, Shelia, AEC Sandy Springs
KJ4HMF, Jon
AG4WY, Mark
AD4MC, Mike, Net Control

Announcements:

Tom, W4UOC, thanked the volunteers for supporting the Sandy Springs Challenge and for the leadership of Shelia, KD4NKE, with this event. He noted that the next NFARES meeting will be Tuesday, May 12th Tuesday night at 7:30 PM at the Sandy Springs City Hall.
Tom also suggested that we check the repeater input, using the reverse function, to try to hear a calling station that is difficult to copy through the repeater.

Lee, AF4IA, requested that additional NFARES members consider volunteering to get Net Control experience.

The net closed at 8:43 pm EDT. Thanks to all of you for checking in.

73,

Mike
AD4MC
ad4mc@...
770-262-5212 cell

# 770. North Fulton County ARES Meeting, 5/12/2009, 7:00 pm

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2009-05-05 23:00:37 UTC
From: nfares@yahoogroups.com
Topic: 770  Message: 770

Reminder from: nfares Yahoo! Group
http://groups.yahoo.com/group/nfares/cal

North Fulton County ARES Meeting
Tuesday May 12, 2009
7:00 pm - 8:30 pm
(This event repeats every month on the second Tuesday.)
(The next reminder for this event will be sent in 6 days.)
Location: Sandy Springs City Council Chambers
Street: Morgan Falls Office Park, 7840 Roswell Road Building 500
City State Zip: Sandy Springs, GA 30350

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# 771. Georgia Hospital Association - Chempack exercise

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2009-05-06 15:13:14 UTC
From: w4uoc@aol.com
Topic: 771  Message: 771

Yusuf A. Rahman, CHS-III
Exercise Coordinator
Georgia Hospital Association

Thank you for offering to speak to our North Fulton Amateur Radio Emergency Service (NFARES) group on Tuesday, May 12th. Considering the current "Pandemic Awareness" as published in the media and Internet, your presentation is very timely. If members of our organization can help in the upcoming Chempack or future exercises, we can get a commitment during this meeting as to our members availability to help.

Our next North Fulton Amateur Radio Emergency Service (NFARES) meeting which will be the May 12th at the Sandy Springs City Council Chambers starting at 7:00 p.m. We usually have some meet for dinner at Tijuana Joe's next door to the city offices on Roswell Road just north of Morgan Falls.

It would be helpful if you could provide me with a brief outline of your program and goals, so I can forward it to the group in advance of the meeting.

Regards

Thomas E. Koch - W4UOC
Emergency Coordinator - NFARES
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# 772. North Fulton ARES Net, 5/10/2009, 8:30 pm

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2009-05-08 00:26:39 UTC
From: nfares@yahoogroups.com
Topic: 772  Message: 772

Reminder from: nfares Yahoo! Group
http://groups.yahoo.com/group/nfares/cal

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Sunday May 10, 2009
8:30 pm - 9:30 pm
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# 773. North Fulton ARES Net, 5/10/2009, 8:30 pm

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2009-05-10 00:25:53 UTC
From: nfares@yahoogroups.com
Topic: 772  Message: 773

Reminder from: nfares Yahoo! Group
http://groups.yahoo.com/group/nfares/cal

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# 774. North Fulton ARES 2-Meter Net Report, 5-10-09

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2009-05-11 01:12:49 UTC
From: Lee Juckett
Topic: 774  Message: 774

There were 17 check-in's for tonight's North Fulton ARES net:

1. AF4FO-Susan, Georgia Section Manager
2. K4HBI-Mike, Official Observer Coordinator, DEC for Army MARS
3. K4YJI-Bill
4. W4QO-Jim
5. WB4MAK-Mack
6. KD9RU-Dave
7. WX4JMS-John
8. AJ4NT-Matt
9. N4SEC-Jim, AEC-Roswell
10. KD4NKE-Shelia, AEC-Sandy Springs
11. KJ4HCB-Paul
12. KJ4HCC-Susan
13. AG4WY-Mark
14. N4ZAZ-Randy
15. KJ4HCK-Deanne (by relay from WX4JMS)
16. WX4WWV-Kendra (by relay from WX4JMS)
17. AF4IA-Lee, Net Control Station

Our next NFARES meeting is this coming Tuesday evening at 7:00 PM at the Sandy Springs City Hall.

John, WX4JMS, encouraged all to sign up at www.spotternetwork.org to report storm-related issues.  If you have questions, email him at wx4jms (at) gmail.com

The net closed at 8:43 PM local time.

73 to all,
- Lee, AF4IA

# 775. NFARES Meeting Room Change - Tuesday May 12th.

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2009-05-11 19:38:45 UTC
From: w4uoc@aol.com
Topic: 775  Message: 775

We got bumped out of our meeting room by the City Manager for his budget meeting.
We will have our meeting in the Big Trees conference room. It will hold a dozen people or so. Shelia will let you in the door across the parking lot from the normal entrance to the City Council Chambers at 6:50 p.m.
We will also monitor 147.06 +/100Hz for those that get lost or are confused.
Tom Koch - W4UOC

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# 776. North Fulton County ARES Meeting, 5/12/2009, 7:00 pm

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2009-05-11 22:56:40 UTC
From: nfares@yahoogroups.com
Topic: 770  Message: 776

Reminder from: nfares Yahoo! Group
http://groups.yahoo.com/group/nfares/cal

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# 777. Special Olympics Georgia Summer Games - radio operators needed

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2009-05-12 18:09:25 UTC
From: w4uoc@aol.com
Topic: 777  Message: 777

It's that time again!

Time for the 2009 Special Olympics Georgia Summer Games at the Emory Campus.

This year's Games are Friday, Saturday, and Sunday May 29, 30, and 31, 2009.
Just two weeks away.

We need radio communicators for all three days, but right now Sunday the 31st may be where I need more operators than I have at the present time.

I will not get the final schedule from the Special Olympics until Tuesday evening, May 12th, at a meeting I will be attending, but the schedule will be very similar to what it has been in the past.

Friday sees a few events kicking off around noon time and then the major event of the day is the Opening Ceremonies around 7:00PM until 9:00PM.

Saturday starts at 6:00AM with breakfast and continues until after the Athletes' Dance around 9:30PM.

And finally Sunday starts again at 6:00AM with breakfast and while most everything begins wrapping up around noon, an event or two will last a little longer, but we are usually all packed up and headed home by 3:00PM.

If you contact me via Email with the day and time, or times, that you are available and any preference for assignments I will get back to you possibly
this weekend with more information.

Thanks,
Steve G./N4SEG

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# 778. North Fulton ARES Net, 5/17/2009, 8:30 pm

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2009-05-15 00:25:23 UTC
From: nfares@yahoogroups.com
Topic: 778  Message: 778

Reminder from: nfares Yahoo! Group
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# 779. North Fulton ARES Net, 5/17/2009, 8:30 pm

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2009-05-17 00:25:54 UTC
From: nfares@yahoogroups.com
Topic: 778  Message: 779

Reminder from: nfares Yahoo! Group
http://groups.yahoo.com/group/nfares/cal

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# 780. NFARES - Baptist - North American Mission Board - Disaster Relief

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2009-05-17 20:33:04 UTC
From: w4uoc@aol.com
Topic: 780  Message: 780

As you are aware, one of the primary missions of our North Fulton Amateur Radio Emergency Service is to support the Baptist, North American Mission Board, Disaster Relief communications efforts. These Disaster Relief efforts are primarily in support of natural disasters such as; hurricanes, tornados and flooding.

The North American Mission Board has agreed to start setting up the ham radio equipment at their Alpharetta headquarters in early June. Once the cubicles are installed we will be asked to install the radio equipment and check it out operationally. We will also start training on the individual modules of the station that will include: HF using a Kenwood 2000, Winlink, Echolink, D-Star/D-rats, UHF and VHF analog equipment. We can use any class of amateur radio operator as we will have at least one control operator to supervise HF operations if a volunteer has only a Technician class ticket.

Hopefully we will be able to have our July NFARES meeting at the North American Mission Board headquarters so the entire group can become familiarized with the setup and it's operation.

Please advise me if you would like to be added to a list of amateurs that can be called to help operate should be Disaster Relief Efforts of the NAMB are activated. In the past we have usually had 3 hams activated to operate the equipment during the daytime. I would like to have enough volunteers so that we could rotate the duties so we could hopefully work only one or two days a week. Although many of you have full time jobs and would be unavailable during the week we could use your help on the weekends.

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# 781. NFARES Net May 17, 2009

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2009-05-18 01:36:23 UTC
From: Jim_Paine
Topic: 781  Message: 781

We had 12 check-ins on the North Fulton ARES net on Sunday May 17

AF4FO Susan - Norcross SN GA
K4HBI Mike - Norcross OOC GA, MARS
W4CNG Steve - Johns Creek ADEC Metro Atlanta
W4UOC Tom - Sandy Springs EC North Fulton
K4YJI Bill - E. Cobb
AF4IA Lee - Sandy Springs
AD4MC Mike - Sandy Springs
KD9RU Dave - Milton
W4QO Jim - Roswell
KG5WU Wayne - Sandy Springs
W5JR Mike - Milton
N4SEC Jim - Alpharetta AEC Net Control

Announcement:

Tom W4UOC talked about the North American Mission Board Ham Radio station as it is an important affiliation for NFARES. Tom is looking for volunteers to be called on to man the station when needed. Also discussed was setting up and learning the equipment and the possibility of an ARES meeting there in the near future.

The net closed at 8:47 PM

73 Jim N4SEC

# 782. Georgia -DStar News Letter

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2009-05-21 14:33:04 UTC
From: w4uoc@aol.com
Topic: 782  Message: 782

At Dayton this past weekend, the first issue of the DSTARInfo Newsletter
was distributed. There were thousands of printed copies given away at the
Hamvention at most every booth that supported D-STAR.

If you missed Dayton, you still can get your copy by going to
www.DSTARINFO.If you missed <_http://www.DSTARINFhttp://www.DSTAR_
(http://www.dstarinfo.com/newsletter) >. It is available as a PDF download for you to
enjoy.

Here's just a few of the articles:

* California Looks to 1.2 GHz for Frequencies
* D-RATS - Maps and Messages
* Grant Sources Can Fund New D-STAR Systems
* W0S Salutes Titanic
* The BC to SF Net
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# 783. ARRL ARES E-Letter

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2009-05-21 14:38:45 UTC
From: w4uoc@aol.com
Topic: 783  Message: 783

If you are having trouble reading this message, you can see the original at:
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Editor: _Rick Palm, K1CE_ (mailto:k1ce@...)

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(http://www.arrl.org/nladclick.php?n=ae&i=2009-05-20&t=t)
The View from Flagler County
Good news this month on the legislative front: On April 29, Representative Sheila Jackson-Lee (D-TX) introduced HR 2160 -- the "Amateur Radio Emergency Communications Enhancement Act of 2009" -- in the US House of Representatives. This bill, if passed, would "promote and encourage the valuable public service, disaster relief, and emergency communications provided on a volunteer basis by licensees of the Federal Communications Commission in the Amateur Radio Service, by undertaking a study of the uses of Amateur Radio for emergency and disaster relief communications, by identifying unnecessary or unreasonable impediments to the deployment of Amateur Radio emergency and disaster relief communications, and by making recommendations for relief of such unreasonable restrictions so as to expand the uses of Amateur Radio communications in Homeland Security planning and response." The bill has been referred to the Committee on Energy and Commerce. More info _here_ (mip://0479ce80/news/stories/2009/05/12/10818/?nc=1) . Please write your congressmen for their support.

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Sad news this month on the personal front: Longtime ARRL volunteer official Sandy Donahue, W4RU, became a Silent Key. He was a good friend and colleague on many different projects over the thirty years that I knew him; he had a special devotion to the ARRL Field Organization and ARES. We didn't always agree on everything, but I always admired his dedication to Amateur Radio and the ARRL, over the course of several decades of service. He will be missed.

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More than 250 Amateur Radio operators provided communication support for the 113th running of the _Boston Marathon_ (http://www.bostonmarathon.com/) on Monday, April 20, also known as Patriots' Day. The marathon used amateurs at the starting line, along the course at each water and first aid station, and at the finish line. Full story _here_ (mip://0479ce80/arrlletter/09/0424/) .

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May 12 was Amateur Radio Operator Day in Puerto Rico, pursuant to a

proclamation by Governor Luis Fortuno. Executive Director of the State Agency for Emergency Management and Disaster Administration Heriberto Sauri said "this administration recognizes the important work that the Amateur Radio operators do in Puerto Rico and around the world in emergency situations to protect the lives and safety of our citizens."
An "Understanding of Cooperation" is in the works between the agency and radio amateurs. See the video _here_ (http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=BqCdl0qg3Is&layer_token=7dad2c546bd069d7) .

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The annual WX4NHC On-the-Air Station Test from the National Hurricane Center (NHC) in Miami takes place Saturday, May 30, 1300-2100 UTC. "The purpose of this annual Station Test is to test all of our radio equipment, computers and antennas using as many modes and frequencies as possible. This is not a contest or simulated hurricane exercise. New equipment and software will be tested, and we will also conduct operator training," said WX4NHC Assistant Amateur Radio Volunteer Coordinator Julio Ripoll, WD4R.
_Info here_ (http://www.arrl.org/news/stories/2009/05/15/10821/?nc=1) .

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Amateur Radio Supports BP MS-150 "Silver Celebration"
The BP MS-150 is a fundraising bike ride from Houston to Austin, Texas, organized by the Lone Star Chapter of the National MS Society. It is the largest bike ride in North America with 13,000 riders, 3,000 volunteers, supporters and spectators.
Amateur Radio is an integral part of the communication system, which includes public service agencies, commercial radio systems, and the non-licensed Multi-Use Radio Service (MURS). The 150 Amateur Radio volunteers represented independent operators, local radio clubs across Texas, and ARES. The

event was held April 19, 2009.
Mike Hardwick, N5VCX, was chairman of the communications committee that coordinated the linking of a dozen repeaters over a distance of 150 miles. Many of the operators were veterans of hurricanes Katrina, Rita and Ike. Their ability to adapt, respond and overcome was evident this year.
ARES Training -- 34 ARES members (including photographer) from South Texas attending training in Houston (photo Joseph Gadus III, KE5BVQ)
All communication network controls were located in the Houston Command Post. Two nets were established with back-up capabilities: One net was designated for general traffic and supply coordination, with the second net designated for medical emergencies.
David Taylor, WD5DST, coordinated the amateur operators for medical assignments. Three ambulances, ten first responder teams, two supervisors and one medical transport unit were strategically placed along the route to respond to emergencies. Amateur operators were assigned to these sixteen vehicles. Medical units were equipped with APRS, allowing the prompt dispatching of the closest units.
The eyes and ears along the route of the MS-150 were the motorcycle marshals. Many of these motorcycle volunteers obtained their ham licenses through classes conducted by Jerry Irwin, WAØGLD, who also coordinates the marshals. Sixty-two motorcycles were operated by Amateur Radio personnel, with twelve being APRS-equipped.
Cyclists exit rest area past one of the many Amateur Radio stations along the route. (photo Joseph Gadus III, KE5BVQ)
Breakpoints were positioned every ten miles along the route. These rest areas provided water and snacks, medical aid, bicycle repair and restroom facilities. A team of amateurs including ARES members from Harris and Waller counties was assigned to each breakpoint to report conditions, request supplies and summon ambulances.
ARES provided a large contingent of operators for the event. Many served independently at the command post and in medical and supply vehicles and the motorcycle marshals. As a group, ARES was tasked with establishing and operating the Special Assistance Group (SAG) responsibility for the transportation of cyclists who were unable to continue, from each breakpoint forward to Austin. The DECs from the South Texas Section districts 1 and 14 responded with volunteers. Christine Smith, N5CAS, District 1 DEC, recruited volunteers from Waller County, while Jeff Walter, KE5FGA, District 14 DEC, worked with his group in Harris County. Walter also coordinated the operations of all breakpoints and their associated functions. The SAG stops used Amateur Radio and MURS radios to coordinate buses, trucks, vans and personnel.
ARES employed the Incident Command System of the National Incident Management System to develop incident action plans, training sessions with table top exercises and leadership development meetings to provide consistent operations along the route.
The planning and training responsibility fell into the capable hands of veteran Del Partridge, W5QQ. In addition to their SAG responsibilities, the ARES members were originally tasked with operating the majority of the Amateur Radio stations at the breakpoints.
MS Society Lone Star Chapter President Mark Neagli stated "volunteers are what make this event so successful." The difference between an event and an

incident is that events are planned and incidents are not. By participating in these events, Amateur Radio operators gain valuable experience, learning to adapt to changing conditions and work with the assets that are available. To learn more about multiple sclerosis and rides in your area, contact the _National Multiple Sclerosis Society_ (http://www.nationalmssociety.org/) . For Amateur Radio information on the BP MS-150, contact _Jeff Walter_ (mailto:jawalter6@yahoo.com) , KE5FGA, District 14 DEC, or _Mike Hardwick_ (mailto:n5vcx@worldnet.att.net) , N5VCX, Communications Committee Chairman

-- article by Joe Gadus, KD5KTX, Porter, Texas

Meso Cyclone, Southern Illinois SKYWARN/ARES Response

The afternoon hours of May 8, will long be remembered in southern Illinois. In the course of a few short hours, the residents of central southern Illinois were subjected to greater than 100 MPH straight-line winds, torrential rain, and tornadoes. Area hams, active in SKYWARN nets, were busy. The preceding evening, severe thunderstorms had seen the Jackson and Williamson County areas pelted with golf ball-sized hailstones. Friday morning, the National Weather Service at Paducah, Kentucky, began again issuing severe weather alerts for the region. Flash flooding, severe thunderstorm and tornado watches were issued. Warnings soon followed, but there was no indication of what was to come.

As Franklin, Williamson, Jackson and Perry County SKYWARN nets were activated (some for the third time that day), emergency managers also took to the roads, along with law enforcement and fire department observers.Several reports of funnels and tornadoes were communicated to the NWS office by SKYWARN observers, but this storm packed much more devastation than the EF0 and EF1 twisters that developed.

This storm was unique in that its radar signature was not unlike that of a small hurricane. The steady, straight-line winds that this storm carried were measured at one regional airport at 106 MPH. That would place this storm in the Saffir Simpson hurricane intensity Category 2. Based on the assumption that wind gusts exceeded that measured steady wind speed, and, based upon the resulting damage observed during a survey of the western part of the storm's damage path, this storm would be properly placed into Saffir Simpson Category 3. The NWS now calls the storm a "meso cyclone." Other meteorologists have referred to the storm as a Derecho. Whatever it's called, it was a devastating weather system.

Widespread, major damage to utilities and buildings resulted. More than 70,000 residents of this mostly rural area found themselves without power. Six southern Illinois counties have been declared disaster areas by Illinois Governor Pat Quinn. Utilities are still, as this is written on May 14, trying to restore power to approximately 15,000 residences and businesses. Primary AC lines in very rugged country including the Shawnee National Forest were destroyed, leading to the use of helicopters and bulldozers to ferry tools and materials to electricians and line crews, who are resorting to manual efforts to rebuild these HV towers and lines. Hundreds of thousands of trees were felled. Many homes and businesses were destroyed, and, there has been one storm-related fatality reported.

When this storm hit, we, here in my hometown of Benton, were subjected to strong winds, lightning, and very heavy rain. The wind, at that point, was

from the southwest. Our SAME weather alert receivers were constantly alerting, as reports of funnels and tornadoes were broadcast. Then, the 'eye' of the storm passed over us, and, just as with a tropical depression or hurricane, we enjoyed a brief lull. All was calm for about 25 minutes, and, save for the eerie, greenish cast to the sky, it could have been any other spring day in southern Illinois.

Then, the back side of the cyclone hit us, with winds from the northwest. The sky was instantly filled with blowing debris and rain being horizontally driven by the shrieking winds. Visibility was reduced to less than 50 feet, and, in our basement, my wife and I watched as water was, literally, blown through our concrete block walls.

As the Illinois SEC, I try to set a good example in terms of emergency preparedness. Most of my emergency supplies are kept ready in a 37' fifth wheel camper, along with my field-deployable emergency communications gear. Ironically, on Thursday morning, my wife and I had pulled that camper to a dealership in the county south of us - Williamson -for some minor repairs. [Williamson County is where Friday's wind speed of 106 MPH was measured]. Our camper was a casualty, first, of Thursday's hail storm, which shattered all of the roof vents and opened the camper's roof to the rain, and, then, the meso cyclone hit on Friday. Our 14,000 pound camper was pushed off its blocks and scooted across the dealer's yard like a kid's toy. Here at home, half of a 100' oak adjacent to our property was felled by the storm.

Amateur Radio involvement centered on SKYWARN net activities, while the Franklin County ARES group was alerted for potential deployment to an American Red Cross shelter. The NWS office in Paducah has posted _Doppler radar images_ (http://www.crh.noaa.gov/news/display_cmsstory.php?wfo=pah&storyid=27320&) of this storm, along with text reports of events and photos of the damage. -- Brad Pioveson, W9FX, ARRL Illinois Section Emergency Coordinator (http://www.arrl.org/nladclick.php?n=ae&t=i&i=2009-05-20&p=0)

Hams Rally for Glass City Marathon

Members of the Toledo-Lucas County (Ohio) ARES Group demonstrated their skills providing communications for the 33rd Glass City Marathon on April 26. Hosted by the Toledo Road Runner Club, almost 2,000 runners from 24 states and Canada participated. Thousands of spectators lined the route.

Steve McEwen, K8BBK, (left), Wood County ARES, monitoring radio traffic at Water Stop 10.

Rick Sharpe, K8RKS, ARES Race Coordinator, faced many technical challenges linking race and safety officials. Starting in downtown Toledo, runners raced on both sides of the scenic Maumee River, through two counties and several communities, each with different public safety radio frequencies. The interoperability solution was ARES Amateur Radio operators.

The nerve center was the Lucas County ARES Command Center. Consisting of a renovated ambulance with attached trailer-radio-situation room, the unit was stationed downtown near the starting line. It served as platform for Net Control on a 2 meter repeater atop one of Toledo's tallest office buildings. Twenty-three ARES field operators with HTs along the course and in vehicles worked through the repeater to Net Control with their communications.

Lucas County's ARES Command Center is well designed for the task. Both parts are self contained and not reliant on commercial power. Each is a

duplicate of the other so they can be separated and used at two different scenes. Most impressive were the banks of radios from amateur to area police, fire, EMA, and EMS agencies. A corn row of antennas lined the roof. All were used to make the marathon happen.

After months of planning and preparation, it all came together. Steve Bellner, W8TER, and Rick Sharpe, K8RKS, manned Net Control. Working as a team, Net Control along with ARES field units handled traffic with race and medical officials, four response vehicles, a service vehicle, 14 water stops, and public safety officials from multiple jurisdictions. It was a good day for the Glass City Marathon and the Lucas County ARES Team. Once again, Amateur Radio delivers. -- Jim Duggan, KD8CIJ, ARRL Public Information Officer, District One, Ohio

Hurricane Conference A Success for Amateur Radio

Amateur Radio had its largest presence ever at the 2009 _National Hurricane Conference_ (http://www.hurricanemeeting.com/) in Austin, Texas. Representatives from the ARRL, _WX4NHC_ (http://www.wx4nhc.org/) , the Amateur Radio Station at the National Hurricane Center (NHC), the _Hurricane Watch Net (HWN)_ (http://www.hwn.org/) and _VoIP Hurricane Net (VoIPWXNet)_ (http://www.voipwx.net/) completed several presentations at the conference as well as a presentation at the local _Austin Amateur Radio Club_ (http://www.austinhams.org/) .

Julio Ripoll, WD4R, (left), with veteran NHC forecaster Dr. Lixion Avila (Rob Macedo, KD1CY, photo).

The Amateur Radio Disaster Communications Workshop was held April 7 with WX4NHC Amateur Radio Coordinators John McHugh, K4AG, and Julio Ripoll, WD4R, explaining their work at the National Hurricane Center and the importance of measured surface data and damage reports to allow hurricane specialists to make better forecasts.

Rob Macedo, KD1CY, Director of Operations of the VoIP Hurricane Net, gave a presentation on the net and the role it plays in gathering data for WX4NHC and how it also can be used to connect various NWS Forecast offices and local and regional EOCs together during hurricanes. Macedo also presented the importance of IRESC, the _International Radio Emergency Support Coalition_ (http://www.iresc.org/) , and its role in providing translators and additional contacts in the affected area during hurricanes and other disasters.

ARRL's Dennis Dura, K2DCD, addresses the group, with HWN Assistant NM Brad Piovensen, W9FX, at podium (KD1CY photo).

Brad Piovensen, W9FX, Assistant Net Manager of the Hurricane Watch Net, discussed potential changes in their operations that will include not just monitoring of their traditional 14.325 MHz frequency but also monitoring 40 and 80 meter bands given the need for the net to expand its reach.

On April 8, ARRL's Dennis Dura, K2DCD, and Macedo, gave a workshop on situational awareness and how it creates more opportunities for Amateur Radio. Most of the attendees were representing emergency management and other government agencies.

All sessions were videotaped and available on the _North Shore Radio Association_ (http://www.nsradio.org/video) (NSRA) Web site. - Rob Macedo, KD1CY, Manager, VoIP Hurricane Net

Letters: 6 Meter FM for ARES Ops

Most ARES communications are performed on 2 meter FM and for good reasons: The majority of amateurs own 2 meter FM radios and many have mobile installations that provide great coverage in most urban and suburban areas. There are in many areas so many repeaters up that there is a waiting list for frequencies. For many events here in Northern Virginia, a handheld radio will do the job well.

We do, however, have some events that are run in large, forested park areas where 2 meter repeater coverage is poor or in some cases, the repeaters that cover areas are also popular on weekends with the clubs that sponsor those repeaters. It can be unfair to run a 50 mile event and tie up a wide area repeater for a day.

Our solution was to try other VHF bands. While most of us also have 440 MHz FM gear, we found that it did not provide the range in wooded areas. We went to 6 meters for several reasons. First, there are many amateurs who own the ICOM IC-706 and other compact radios that have 6 meter FM capability. The coverage of 6 meters in a wooded environment is unbelievably good. We have found that a 5 watt 6 meter simplex FM signal can be heard more clearly then a 50 watt 2 meter simplex signal.

We have two events that are along the Occoquan Reservoir in Fairfax County, Virginia and two other events that are run along the Potomac River from Alexandria to Mt. Vernon. We've found that 2 meter repeater coverage along both the reservoir and the river is not good and running events with mobile equipment on 2 meter simplex is not the best approach.

When trying 6 meters we found that coverage was much better. While there are many commercial 6 meter FM radios on the market, there are also many surplus commercial radios available if you can find the right ones and they are properly converted. In our area, one of the members of the _Amateur Radio Research and Development Club_ (http://www.amrad.org/) (AMRAD) picked up a truckload of Midland commercial radios and figured out how to convert them to the 6 meter band. Most of them have 22 channels and must be programmed by using a computer program and a serial cable with a non-standard connector to the radio. With 22 channels, you will have all of the simplex frequencies and many 6 meter repeater pairs in your area. I'm sure that there are Motorola models that can be had as well.

Commercial gear has a few advantages over our amateur equipment. One is that it is easy to use. Turn it on, set the channel, set the squelch and talk. These radios are generally bullet proof; they will take more abuse. They were designed to live in cabs, trash trucks, and police cars. They also have a great deal of audio gain available. If you are in a high noise environment you will still be able to hear your traffic.

Six meter antennas are another consideration. For mobile operations, you can use a 2 meter 5/8th wave that also loads up as a ¼ wave on 6 meters. Alternatives are home made or commercially made ground planes, J-poles, and dipoles. I use a 6 meter Ringo for portable use on a set of military mast sections. I've marked the vertical parts so they can be collapsed for easy transport and set up quickly.

If your ARES unit or club decides to use commercial 6 meter equipment, I recommend that you determine a few simplex frequencies that should be programmed into all radios. Two popular frequencies in Northern Virginia are 52.02 MHz and 52.51 MHz. I recommend that you stay away from 52.525 MHz as it

is the national calling frequency and when 6 meters is open you may get check ins from all over the country.
Another consideration for use of a second band when working ARES or public service is the ever increasing use of APRS on 2 meters for such events. If you have an APRS tracker in a vehicle at the lead or tail end of a race or on other support vehicles, you want to not interfere with that signal, so moving your voice communications to another band works. -- Richard Bunn, N4ASX, ARES EC, Alexandria, Virginia
(http://www.arrl.org/nladclick.php?n=ae&t=i&i=2009-05-20&p=1)
Letters: "Reverse 911" TENS for ARES
Here is an emergency call-out notification resource that is widely available, but I am not sure is being widely used: So-called "Reverse 911" systems.
Usually thought of as a means for emergency managers to send telephone messages to the public based on the recipient's location, these systems can be used for much more. Good systems can send messages to telephones, cellular phones, SMS, pagers, fax machines, and e-mail.
Really good systems record a response and can even ask polling questions, such as "Can you respond to the EOC and, if so, when will you arrive?"
Properly known as "Telephone Emergency Notification Systems" or TENS, these capabilities are often sold to local government as a service with per-call billing. Often the pre-paid calling included in the contract goes unused, waiting for a major event that never occurs. All of the TENS systems I am aware of also support notifications for emergency responders. In most, the responder provides details of all the ways they can be contacted and, in an emergency, the system uses them one-by-one or all at once until the message is received. Profiles allow recipients to select the best way to reach them at a particular time-of-day, and to prevent the system from calling at other times, if desired.
Our ARES group has begun using such a system for notifying members when their help is needed--as well as drills and occasional system tests to keep people aware it exists. We are just getting started, but already another nearby county is following our lead, using a TENS system our state makes available to public health agencies for free.
I think many agencies that have a TENS available treat it like some kind of a doomsday system, when it really could be used for all sorts of things, including an off-the-repeater way of notifying ARES members that we need their help right away.
If anyone has questions about TENS, or needs help convincing a local official, please feel free to have them contact me. -- _David Coursey, N5FDL_ (mailto:n5fdl@...) , San Joaquin County ARES, California
Legendary Kentucky ARES Op Retires
In 1960, Louisa, Kentucky, saw the emergence of a new ham, Curtis (Fred) Jones, WN4ETV (now WA4SWF) at the age of 16. He went on to give a lifetime of service to his community, county and anyone interested in Amateur Radio. He was an Elmer to many hams. Jones constructed a working Kentucky District 9 ARES. He served 35 years as EC. During his ARES career he held the positions of DEC, OES, OBS, AEC and ASM. He was Vice President of the Big Sandy Amateur Radio Club and just this year retired as Treasurer.
He joined the Morning Kentucky Phone Net and the evening Kentucky Traffic

Net. He called these nets at least once a week for many years and was a regular check into the Kentucky CW nets.
Jones was Disaster Emergency Service Director for Lawrence County, holding that position for 12 years.
He became the first Director of the _South East Repeater Association _ (http://www.sera.org/) (SERA) for Kentucky and was instrumental in setting up the standards of repeater coordination. He then went on to serve as editor of the SERA Journal, a monthly publication for seven states.
ARES Legend Fred Jones, WA4SWF, (left), receives award plaque from John Meyers, NB4K.
On May 2, Fred retired. He was presented with a plaque from Jim Weaver, K8JE, ARRL Great Lakes Division Director, for his years of service. The honor was presented by Jim Brooks, KY4Z, Kentucky Section Manager, Matt Tinker, AA4XA, Assistant Section Emergency Coordinator and John Meyers, NB4K, past Kentucky Section Manager, current Great Lakes Division Legislative Action Chairman and Assistant Great Lakes Director.
We here in Kentucky are so gratfeul for people like Fred who dedicate their life to helping others. -- John Meyers, NB4K
Letters: Cost Value of Volunteers
Many ARES organizations provide detailed accounting of their volunteer efforts to their served agencies. This usually includes break-downs for man-hours, including a calculation of the monetary value of services provided by Amateur Radio. The value of these services is usually taken from a variety of sources including the Bureau of Labor, VOAD, etc. But increasingly volunteer organizations are using the estimates of a group called "Independent Sector."
Independent Sector has _announced_ (http://webmail.cfl.rr.com/do/redirect?url=http%3A%2F%2Fwww.independentsector.org%2Fmedia%2F20090413_value_volunteer_time.html) that the 2009 estimate for the value of a volunteer hour is $20.25 per hour. Organizations can use this number to quantify the enormous value volunteers provide. Last year's estimate was $19.51. The hourly value of volunteer time is based on the average hourly wage for all non-management, nonagricultural workers as determined by the Bureau of Labor Statistics, with a 12 percent increase to estimate for fringe benefits. Independent Sector will release updated figures for each state later this spring.
In Alabama, we're encouraging all emergency communications groups, including those outside of ARES to provide this type of accounting to their served agencies. It never hurts to remind decision makers of the real value of our services, even if you're on the best of terms. Many times local emergency management directors can use these estimates to justify grants, and they are almost always glad to receive them. -- _Les Rayburn, N1LF_ (mailto:n1lf@...) , ARES Alabama SEC (http://www.arrl.org/nladclick.php?n=ae&t=i&i=2009-05-20&p=2)
Letters: New FEMA CPG Can Help ARES Draft EOPs
A new FEMA CPG [Comprehensive Preparedness Guide (CPG) 101: "_Developing and Maintaining State, Territorial, Tribal, and Local Government Emergency Plans_ (http://www.fema.gov/about/divisions/cpg.shtm) "] can be a real aid to those charged with developing their own Emergency Operations Plans. One of our assistant SEC's, Mike Watkins, WX4AL, is currently revising Alabama's

plan, and I'm sure many other ARES leaders are engaged in similar efforts. While there is no mandate that EOP's follow the recommendation of the new CPG, I think it would be good practice to insure that our plans follow these guidelines. -- _Les Rayburn, N1LF_ (mailto:n1lf@...) , ARES Alabama SEC; NCS-SHARES NCS-047

Letters: Recruitment

Your "Final" in last month's issue really struck a chord with me. Let new hams know that there is a lot more to Amateur Radio than the hobby aspects, like ARES and emcomm. First VP Kay Craigie, N3KN, is correct: We veterans have got to do what we have always done, train the newcomers. You've given me several nets' worth of training material for our local New Jersey-New York SATERN Net and for local clubs who will have me come talk as part of their programs. Thanks for your thoughts, thanks for including _SATERN _ (http://www.satern.org/) in your list of emcomm groups and thanks for the monthly ARES E-Letter. - Dick Montgomery, N3DV, ET SATERN Coordinator SATERN NCS

Thank you for the comments of N3KN in the April 15 issue. Those comments nailed it for me. I spent 30 years in public safety telecommunications. Don't expect the professionals to call upon the Amateur Radio community unless we can produce. Every point N3KN made is valid. Onward and upward! -- Bill Moyes, N7IE, Layton, Utah

K1CE For a Final

Last month, this column featured an editorial on recruitment issues, and contained the story of a bright, young new ARES op: Jacob Romine, KJ4HJO, is a 12 year old that has been active in the Limestone County (Alabama) ARES group since getting his ham license in October as an 11 year old. Jacob is the grandson of Felix Birdwell, KD4NTK, AEC for Limestone ARES. Here is Jacob's photo, which we didn't have in time for the last issue. We need a lot more Jacobs in ARES across the country. Go get 'em!

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# 784. North Fulton ARES Net, 5/24/2009, 8:30 pm

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2009-05-22 00:25:36 UTC
From: nfares@yahoogroups.com
Topic: 784  Message: 784

Reminder from: nfares Yahoo! Group
http://groups.yahoo.com/group/nfares/cal

North Fulton ARES Net
Sunday May 24, 2009
8:30 pm - 9:30 pm
(This event repeats every week.)
(The next reminder for this event will be sent in 2 days, 4 minutes.)
Location: 147.060 MHz (plus 600kHz) PL 100.0. Backup is 145.470 MHz (minus 600 kHz) PL 100.0

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# 785. North Fulton ARES Net, 5/24/2009, 8:30 pm

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2009-05-24 00:26:25 UTC
From: nfares@yahoogroups.com
Topic: 784  Message: 785

Reminder from: nfares Yahoo! Group
http://groups.yahoo.com/group/nfares/cal

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# 786. May 24th. ARES Net

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2009-05-26 16:36:50 UTC
From: David Hazell KD9RU
Topic: 786  Message: 786
Attachments: 1 described; binary payloads are missing from this source WARC

There were 7 check-in's for Sundays North Fulton ARES net:

1. N4SEC Jim Alpharetta

2. AF4IA Lee Sandy Springs

3. KG5WU Wayne Sandy Springs

4. KD4NKE Sheila Sandy Springs

5. KJ4HMF John Johns Creek

6. W4QO Jim Roswell

7. KD9RU Dave Milton (Net Control)

Our next ARES Net will be Sunday May 31st at 8:30 PM EST. All licensed Operators may check into the net.

TRAFFIC PASSED

1. W4QO initiated a radiogram which net control forwarded to recipient.
2. N4SEC stated that Sandy Springs will issue an Amateur Radio Field Day proclamation in the council chambers at 6:00 PM on June 2nd and operators are welcome to attend. In addition the cities of Alpharetta, Johns Creek, Milton and Roswell will soon also issue similar proclamations.

The net closed at 8:45 PM. ( KD9RU)

# 787. North Fulton ARES Net, 5/31/2009, 8:30 pm

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2009-05-29 00:26:59 UTC
From: nfares@yahoogroups.com
Topic: 787  Message: 787

Reminder from: nfares Yahoo! Group
http://groups.yahoo.com/group/nfares/cal

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# 788. North Fulton ARES Net, 5/31/2009, 8:30 pm

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2009-05-31 00:26:06 UTC
From: nfares@yahoogroups.com
Topic: 787  Message: 788

Reminder from: nfares Yahoo! Group
http://groups.yahoo.com/group/nfares/cal

North Fulton ARES Net
Sunday May 31, 2009
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# 789. NFARES net for May 31, 2009

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2009-06-01 01:04:56 UTC
From: Matthew Garland
Topic: 789  Message: 789

Tonight's net had 12 check-ins:

1. AF4FO, Susan
2. K4HBI, Mike
3. W4UOC, Tom
4. N4SEC, Jim
5. K4YJI, Bill
6. AF4IA, Lee
7. WB4MAK, Mack
8. AD4MC, Mike
9. KG5WU, Wayne
10. KD4NKE, Shelia
11. KD9RU, Dave
12. AJ4NT, Matt

Tom, W4UOC, announced that Terry Jones from the Baptist North American Mission Board will be presenting at the next NFARES meeting. The meeting will be held at the Sandy Spring City Council Chambers.

Jim, N4SEC, announced that on Tuesday, June 2 at 6:00pm, a proclamation promoting Amateur Radio will be read into the minutes of the Sandy Springs City Council meeting. This is the first of several such proclamations in North Fulton cities as Field Day approaches.

Lee, AF4IA, thanked the NFARES and NFARL volunteers that assisted with the Chattahoochee Nature Center's Possum Trot Road Race and the Special Olympics at Emory.

The net closed at 8:43 pm local time.

73, Matt/AJ4NT

# 790. North Fulton County ARES Meeting, 6/9/2009, 7:00 pm

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2009-06-02 22:55:38 UTC
From: nfares@yahoogroups.com
Topic: 790  Message: 790

Reminder from: nfares Yahoo! Group
http://groups.yahoo.com/group/nfares/cal

North Fulton County ARES Meeting
Tuesday June 9, 2009
7:00 pm - 8:30 pm
(This event repeats every month on the second Tuesday.)
(The next reminder for this event will be sent in 6 days, 4 minutes.)
Location: Sandy Springs City Council Chambers
Street: Morgan Falls Office Park, 7840 Roswell Road Building 500
City State Zip: Sandy Springs, GA 30350

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# 791. NFARES Net Record - Needed

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2009-06-03 21:15:25 UTC
From: w4uoc@aol.com
Topic: 791  Message: 791

Neither Shelia or I have a copy of the NFARES net log for Sunday May 24th.
Do any of you have a copy of it?

Thanks

Tom - W4UOC

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# 792. AJC Peachtree Road Race 2009 communications support

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2009-06-04 19:03:06 UTC
From: David Ziskind, KE4QLH
Topic: 792  Message: 792

Hello all,

It's hard to believe that the AJC Peachtree Road Race is just a month
away!  July 4, 2009 - and we're back at Piedmont Park!

Can you help out this year?  Please sign up online at this link -
click on "Volunteer for this job".

<http://www.doitsports.com/volunteer2/info.tcl?job_id=17368613>

I hope to see you out there!

73,
David Ziskind KE4QLH

# 793. June 9th NFARES Meeting

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2009-06-04 20:09:09 UTC
From: w4uoc@aol.com
Topic: 793  Message: 793

Terry Jones, W4TL and Jim Hadder, KE4ZX , both officials with the Baptist North American Mission Board (NAMB) will present an orientation of their organization, procedures and expectations for our involvement in supporting their Disaster Relief/Recovery efforts, should they be needed during the upcoming Hurricane Season. Both will be guests for dinner at Tijuana Joe's prior to the meeting (5:30) and we will begin the meeting at the Sandy Springs City Council Chambers at 7:00 p.m. Attached is a list of those that have volunteered to help with the support of this effort. Any others that are interested in learning more about this effort are welcome to attend this introductory training session.

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# 794. North Fulton ARES Net, 6/7/2009, 8:30 pm

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2009-06-05 00:26:02 UTC
From: nfares@yahoogroups.com
Topic: 794  Message: 794

Reminder from: nfares Yahoo! Group
http://groups.yahoo.com/group/nfares/cal

North Fulton ARES Net
Sunday June 7, 2009
8:30 pm - 9:30 pm
(This event repeats every week.)
(The next reminder for this event will be sent in 2 days, 4 minutes.)
Location: 147.060 MHz (plus 600kHz) PL 100.0. Backup is 145.470 MHz (minus 600 kHz) PL 100.0

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# 795. North Fulton ARES Net, 6/7/2009, 8:30 pm

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2009-06-07 00:26:00 UTC
From: nfares@yahoogroups.com
Topic: 794  Message: 795

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# 796. NFARES Net for June 7, 2009

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2009-06-08 01:12:33 UTC
From: Wayne Chapman
Topic: 796  Message: 796

Tonight's net had 17 check-ins:

1. KG5WU, Wayne
2. AF4FO, Susan
3. K4HBI, Mike
4. K4YJI, Bill
5. AF4IA, Lee
6. KC4YBO, Steve
7. W4QO, Jim
8. AD4MC, Mike
9. KI4GHT, Bob
10. AJ4NT, Matt
11. KD9RU, Dave
12. KJ4HCB, Paul
13. KJ4HCC, Susan
14. KD4NKE, Shelia
15. KI4DSO, George
16. W4UOC, Tom
17. W4VRX, Jimmy

Shelia, KD4NKE, announced the Roswell City Hall meeting on Monday, 6/8 at 730p.  They'll be reading a Proclamation for NFARL and Field Day.  All are welcome to attend.

Jim, W4QO, announced the Field Day GOTA (Get On The Air) Station and asked for sign ups.

Tom, W4UOC, announced that Terry Jones from the Baptist North American Mission Board will be presenting at the next NFARES meeting. The meeting will be held at the Sandy Spring City Council Chambers at 7pm.

Wayne, KG5WU, announced the Peachtree Road Race on Saturday, July 4th.

The net closed at 8:49 pm local time.

73, Wayne/KG5WU

# 797. North Fulton County ARES Meeting, 6/9/2009, 7:00 pm

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2009-06-08 22:56:38 UTC
From: nfares@yahoogroups.com
Topic: 790  Message: 797

Reminder from: nfares Yahoo! Group
http://groups.yahoo.com/group/nfares/cal

North Fulton County ARES Meeting
Tuesday June 9, 2009
7:00 pm - 8:30 pm
(This event repeats every month on the second Tuesday.)
Location: Sandy Springs City Council Chambers
Street: Morgan Falls Office Park, 7840 Roswell Road Building 500
City State Zip: Sandy Springs, GA 30350

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# 798. North Fulton ARES Net, 6/14/2009, 8:30 pm

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2009-06-12 00:27:45 UTC
From: nfares@yahoogroups.com
Topic: 798  Message: 798

Reminder from: nfares Yahoo! Group
http://groups.yahoo.com/group/nfares/cal

North Fulton ARES Net
Sunday June 14, 2009
8:30 pm - 9:30 pm
(This event repeats every week.)
(The next reminder for this event will be sent in 2 days, 4 minutes.)
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# 799. North Fulton ARES Net, 6/14/2009, 8:30 pm

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2009-06-13 00:25:24 UTC
From: nfares@yahoogroups.com
Topic: 798  Message: 799

Reminder from: nfares Yahoo! Group
http://groups.yahoo.com/group/nfares/cal

North Fulton ARES Net
Sunday June 14, 2009
8:30 pm - 9:30 pm
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# 800. North Fulton ARES 2-Meter Net Report, June 14, 2009

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2009-06-15 13:53:40 UTC
From: Lee Juckett
Topic: 800  Message: 800

NFARES 2-Meter Net Report, June 14, 2009

We had 14 check-in's for this net:

1. AF4FO, Susan-SM for Georgia
2. K4HBI, Mike-OOC for Georgia and DEC for Georgia Army MARS
3. W4UOC, Tom-EC for North Fulton
4. W4CNG, Steve-ADEC for Metro Atlanta
5. K4YJI, Bill
6. N4SEC, Jim-AEC for Alpharetta
7. KG5WU, Wayne
8. WB4MAK, Mack
9. AD4MC, Mike
10. W4QO, Jim
11. KD9RU, Dave
12. AJ4NT, Matt
13. KD4NKE, Shelia-AEC for Sandy Springs
14. AF4IA, Lee-NCS

Tom reviewed our last meeting and said that he will have more time at Tuesday's NFARL club meeting to discuss ARES and our work with the North American Mission Board.

The net closed at 8:42 pm local time.

73,
- Lee, AF4IA

# 801. North Americal Mission Board - Station installation, help?

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2009-06-15 16:55:18 UTC
From: w4uoc@aol.com
Topic: 801  Message: 801

We will be setting up the equipment and replacing the HF antennas at the Baptist's North American Mission Board headquarters on Thursday morning. June 18th. starting about 8:30 a.m. We probably will need 4-5 volunteers to help. If you can be available let me know by return email _w4uoc@..._ (mailto:w4uoc@...) , at Tuesday's meeting or via telephone 404-314-6109.

Tom Koch - W4UOC
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# 802. ARES News Letter

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2009-06-18 11:09:37 UTC
From: w4uoc@aol.com
Topic: 802  Message: 802

The View from Flagler County
It's open season for hurricanes. In its outlook for the 2009 Atlantic hurricane season -- which runs from June 1 to November 30 - the National Weather Service's _Climate Prediction Center_ (http://www.cpc.ncep.noaa.gov/) (CPC) is calling for a 50 percent probability of a near-normal season, a 25 percent probability of an above-normal season and a 25 percent probability of a below-normal season. According to the CPC, global weather patterns are imposing a greater uncertainty in the 2009 hurricane season outlook than in recent years. There is a 70 percent chance of having nine to 14 named storms, of which four to seven could become hurricanes, including one to three major hurricanes (Category 3, 4 or 5).
ARES members: Assess your communications assets now. Monitor major HF hurricane networks during events this season.
The _Hurricane Watch Net_ (http://www.hwn.org/) (HWN) on 14.325 MHz (and beginning with this season, other HF bands) is one of several key players. It serves either the Atlantic or Pacific during a watch or warning period and coordinates with the _National Hurricane Center_ (http://www.nhc.noaa.gov/) (NHC) in Miami. Frequent, detailed information is issued on nets when
storms pose a threat to the US mainland. In addition to hurricane spotting, local communicators may announce that residents have evacuated from low-lying flood areas. Other amateurs across the country can help by relaying information, keeping the net frequency clear and by listening. See the HWN's Web site for more information. The net works closely with the hams at the NHC's Amateur Radio station _WX4NHC_ (http://www.wx4nhc.com/) .
The SATERN Net (_Salvation Army Team Emergency Radio Network_ (http://www.satern.org/) ) provides emergency communication support to the Salvation Army and populations at large. They also handle health-and-welfare traffic. SATERN holds high profile nets on 20 meters (14.265 MHz) during major hurricanes and has a long history of excellence, discipline and service. Refer to the SATERN Web site for more information.
The _Maritime Mobile Service Net_ (http://www.mmsn.org/) (MMSN) meets on 14.300 MHz and is composed of hams that serve and assist those in need of communications on the high seas. According to its Web site, the primary purpose of the net is for handling traffic from maritime mobile stations. The network is recognized by the United States Coast Guard and has an excellent working relationship with that agency. The MMSN has handled hundreds of incidents involving vessels in distress and medical emergencies in remote locations, as well as passing health and welfare traffic in and out of affected areas. They also work closely with the NWS and NHC by relaying weather reports from maritime stations.
The newest member of the big player community, the _VoIP SKYWARN and Hurricane Net_ (http://www.voipwx.net/) operates by combining both the EchoLink and IRLP linked repeater networks, while handling critical wide area communications during major severe weather and tropical events. These operations

have gained national stature in recent years, making the Net a critical partner with WX4NHC. Whenever tropical weather is posing a threat to the US mainland and certain other areas of interest, the VoIP WX net will be fully operational. See the VoIP SKYWARN and Hurricane Net Web site for more information.

During hurricane events, there are usually two or three regional nets (usually on 40 or 20 meters) that spring to prominence as major key assets to the disaster response on an ad hoc basis. Watch for these nets, as well as the nationally recognized networks described above, this season. Don't transmit on their frequencies unless you are absolutely sure you have something substantive to add, and then only under the direction of the net control station.

ARRL Emergency Preparedness and Response Manager Dennis Dura, K2DCD, states that it is crucial that information flows up through the Section and is reported to Headquarters. "These reports allow us to develop the situational awareness and disaster intelligence that is required for us as an organization to support the Sections that are impacted." "In this way, we are able to respond to relevant requests from the media and finally to coordinate with the governmental and non-governmental organizations. This information also allows us to make the decision at Headquarters on whether to stand up our Incident Management Team to support and coordinate the operations."

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Here in Northern Florida, a state-wide EOC/ARES meeting will be held this Saturday, June 20, at the huge State EOC in Tallahassee. Well-known emergency manager John Fleming, WD4FFX, of the EM staff called the meeting for all appointed Florida ARRL ARES officials. The purpose is to bring together all the staff leaders to exchange ideas, get questions answered and learn about the FEOC operations in anticipation of an event needing Amateur Radio emergency communications. The State of Florida is hosting this event, and Northern Florida SM Paul Eakin, KJ4G, has coordinated and organized the ARRL/ARES participation.

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Alabama's Homeland Security Communications Interoperability Exercise A

Success
It was a meeting of hearts, minds, and radios the week of May 4 - May 8, which brought together emergency responders and support personnel in Robertsdale, Alabama for an essential communications interoperability training and full-scale exercise, sponsored by the Alabama Department of Homeland Security. The goal: to help improve emergency preparedness communication in the State of Alabama.
Personnel gathered in a field near the Baldwin County EOC to test the quality and effectiveness of communications between State agencies and support personnel. The exercise was a simulated Category 5 hurricane, entering Mobile Bay and causing statewide damage.
Agencies participating included Alabama Emergency Management, Alabama National Guard, Alabama Department of Public Safety, FEMA Region IV, eight Alabama Regional Communication vehicles, the Alabama ABC Board, Virtual Alabama, Alabama Civil Air Patrol, Sheriff's Office and ARES operators from SEMA Region 1 and other regions throughout the state.
A communications emergency can be caused when a critical communication system failure can put the public at risk. This failure can include, but is not limited to, overload or damage to critical day-to-day communication systems caused by
State Communications Vehicles (W4OZK photo)
telephone lines or radio towers destroyed, an increase in a communication system activity that causes overload, or the failure of any key component in a system that can cause widespread consequences.
During Hurricane Katrina, Amateur Radio volunteers played a key part in making sure that communications between agency personnel continued uninterrupted and that the public received the help and the timely response needed in this type of catastrophic event. The Alabama Department of Homeland Security recognized this need, and chose to include Amateur Radio in this exercise.
Greg Sarratt, W4OZK, ARRL Southeastern Division Director, and Patti Link, KI4JEO, District Emergency Coordinator for Region 1, worked diligently in conjunction with other amateur volunteers and alongside professional partner agencies to help coordinate and facilitate the role of Amateur Radio during the exercise. Sarratt acted as the liaison at the Incident Command Point to ensure all efforts were coordinated effectively with served personnel incident commanders, while Link, working in the Baldwin County EOC, coordinated amateurs from Region 1 and beyond, for dispatch with Alabama DHS Regional Communication vehicles, as well as dispatch to other pertinent locations in the nine County affected area.
Alabama Section Manager, Jay Isbell, KA4KUN, was dispatched to a mock reception center site 60 miles north of the incident and Alabama Section Emergency Coordinator Les Rayburn, N1LF, manned the radio at the State EOC. Alabama District Emergency Coordinators, County Emergency Coordinators and hams across the state checked in on statewide HF and D-STAR nets and conducted local nets and scenarios in conjunction with the full-scale exercise in Region 1.
Dennis Dura, K2DCD, ARRL HQ's Emergency Preparedness and Response Manager, played a key role at ARRL Headquarters by making sure that any and all resources were at the fingertips of the volunteers and agencies involved. Dura

used a Major Disaster Emergency Coordinator (MDEC -- see below) and new ARRL procedures were

Alabama Regional Communications Vehicles with Generators (W4OZK photo)

tested among field, Section and ARRL Headquarters and they worked well. The hands-on approach of ARRL Emergency Preparedness and Response Manager Dura gives the field much needed resources, short response time and added credibility.

This was a typical full-scale exercise including rain, mud, two snakes, ants, bugs, heat, humidity and hundreds of people everywhere but we learned the critical value of prior training and practice for public service events. It is crucial to have the knowledge from the FEMA and ARRL EC training or we are basically in the Stone Age at today's incident site. We have to provide a unified front of quick, reliable and competent operators to be a valued useful partner today.

Several months of planning went into this exercise, which followed the NIMS model where Amateur Radio was an equal partner from the start. The Incident Command System including communications forms were used in the exercise. The detailed ARES Incident Action Plan can be viewed _here_ (http://www.arrl-al.org/ARES_AL_DHS_explan09.pdf) . A hot wash report can be found _here_ (http://www.arrl-al.org/ARES.html) .

At the after action review no stone was left unturned for the entire exercise and the lessons learned for all players proved invaluable. The Alabama Department of Homeland Security Director, Jim Walker, finished the hot wash with an all inspiring and to the point speech.

The exercise proved to be a much-needed assessment of what works, and doesn't work, in Alabama emergency communications. Amateurs and state emergency personnel walked away with valuable information and tools to help further

Incident Command Post (W4OZK photo)

emergency communications effectiveness during the 2009 Hurricane Season, and in the future. There is still a lot of work to be done, but this exercise brought Alabama closer to better communications interoperability and new ideas and ways to be more successful in the future.

Blanche Bearden, N4LUV, said: "As a person new to emergency communications, and an Extra Class Amateur Radio operator, this exercise was informative and insightful. I enjoyed learning about all that goes into creating interoperability between first responders and support personnel. It is an exciting area that I am anxious to learn more about and become an active participant in. I didn't realize, until this exercise, exactly how large a part Amateur Radio plays in the safety of our State and of our citizens. It is inspiring to me to just be a part of such a worthwhile and valuable exercise and to work with so many great Amateur volunteers. There is still much to learn, but I look forward to the challenge."

Patti Link, KI4JEO: "While the simulated exercise provided valuable experience in a broad range of Amateur Radio modes and techniques, the most valuable lesson learned by all the operators was how vital a role Amateur Radio has in communications interoperability. The respect afforded each and every amateur operator is due in part to the long history Amateur Radio has of aiding and assisting our communities during times of local, regional, and national disasters."

Greg Sarratt, W4OZK: "It was a great exercise and we learned a great deal during the week. This was a good test of the ARES processes and improvements since Katrina in a full-scale exercise with other agencies. Everyone shared and learned about each others communications capabilities. The relationships built and lessons learned here are invaluable to the Amateur Radio Service."
Jay Isbell, KA4KUN: "Since the major hurricanes in recent years, The State of Alabama and the Southeast Region of FEMA have really accepted Amateur Radio as a prime player in any major disaster. Under the direction of Section Emergency Coordinator Les Rayburn, N1LF, Alabama ARES has grown from several independent groups helping their local EMA or Weather Service, into a well organized First Responder team. The state Emergency Management agencies and other critical served agencies are helping with radios and training for local hams to step in and man critical emergency communications systems. Amateur Radio is being accepted as a critical tool during times that the daily manpower and technical resources are stretched beyond their design."
Background: Major Disaster Emergency Coordinator
In re the MDEC referenced above, here is how the ARRL National Emergency Response Planning Committee (NERPC) envisioned the concept in its report of two years ago: "The regional coordination function, like similar roles described for federal officials in the Department of Homeland Security's National Response Plan, will not be a new level of permanent Field Organization bureaucracy. Regional coordination is to be a function, not a position. It does not diminish the authority of Section officials over their own ARES operations. Coordinators will maintain liaison with the Field Organization leaders in the affected Sections. Following extensive discussion, the NERPC recommended that Amateurs fulfilling this function should be titled Major Disaster Emergency Coordinator (MDEC). The Staff person at ARRL Headquarters who activates and oversees the MDEC functions as the Disaster Response Emergency Manager. Again, this is a function, not a job title.
"MDECs will be activated by ARRL Headquarters only if they are needed to deal with field operators activated to serve agencies such as the Red Cross in a major disaster such as Katrina. The geographical area to be handled by an MDEC is not fixed or keyed to ARRL political geography. It will depend on the parameters of the disaster and the needs of the served agency.
"More than one MDEC may be activated, for example, if the served agency decides to geographically subdivide its own activity in a particularly large-scale disaster. When the disaster activation ends and the served agency no longer needs ham radio communications support, Headquarters will instruct the MDEC to stand down. The MDEC will go back to being a name on a list of potential coordinators and back to his or her normal Field Organization roles in the home Section."
(http://www.arrl.org/nladclick.php?n=ae&t=i&i=2009-06-17&p=0)
Appalachian Trail Golden Packet Attempt
On Sunday, July 26, hams in thirteen eastern states will attempt the first annual Appalachian Trail Golden Packet attempt. The objective is to locate 15 drive-up or hike-up sites where simple APRS packet mobiles or HT's can be used as emergency digipeaters to demonstrate emergency communications capabilities. The APRS stations and other hikers along the 2000 mile Appalachian trail area will be able to exchange APRS text messages live during the

six hour event. The temporary RF links zig-zag across the trail to take advantage of the height above average terrain across valleys. Fifteen excellent sites have been identified so that all messages can be accomplished using a dual 7-hop digipeater path.
Although hikers along the trail can already get into the global APRS system from anywhere on the high parts of the trail using the national 144.39 MHz frequency, such routine operation depends on Internet gateways and is highly dependent on the established infrastructure. This golden packet event will use all portable equipment and an alternate frequency for six hours to attempt the 2000 mile all-RF packets. For details and current information see _WB4APR's Web site_ (http://www.aprs.org/) . -- _Bob Bruninga, WB4APR_ (mailto:bruninga@...) , Glen Burnie, MD
Letters: "Runner Down"
One aspect of Amateur Radio I enjoy is working public events. There are plenty of marathons and bicycle rides to choose from here in Atlanta, Georgia. They are the best training for emergency communications available: Net discipline, message brevity, accuracy, priority triage in addition to solving technical issues like extending battery life, locating a mobile station in a difficult location or using digital modes in a high noise environment are all useful skills that can be learned by participating in these events.
A more rounded ARES volunteer also seeks out additional training that falls outside of normal radio skills. SKYWARN, Basic First Aid and CPR are almost essential, especially if you are considering deployment into disaster areas. Our local ARES group has the benefits of having several members who are employed in the medical field. Among them is Phillip Newman, KE4LSH, a practicing nurse with instructor certification in CPR through the American Heart Association. Newman, in concert with his employer, Covenant Health, arranged for a CPR training session for our ARES members. It was almost prescient.
Recently, ARES supported a fund-raising 10Km run/5Km Walk around Roane State Community College. Check points were selected based on having visual contact with every part of the course, a station located with the organizers and a net control station.
"Runner down." We all heard the bouncing sound of 16-year old Cody Anderson, KI4FUV, racing toward the runner. In running events, a trip and fall isn't completely unusual. Blisters and road rashes are expected. But this one was serious.
"Roll EMS. We're halfway between checkpoint 1 and 2." Anderson had assessed the airway, breathing and circulation (the ABC's) of the runner, which were not good. There were no more transmissions from KI4FUV for several minutes: Anderson was performing his new CPR skills. Since this part of the course was on a public road, the Sheriff's Office had a unit close by. That officer moved his vehicle into position and directed traffic and runners past the scene and to keep the way clear for the ambulance to move into position.

Net Control had a second radio with which to directly contact the EMS unit on standby for this event. They arrived and brought out their AED, the Automatic Electronic Defibrillator. The patient's response to one shock from the AED was a good prognostic indicator that all would end well for this runner.

Event organizers expressed their thanks and appreciation for the ham's ability above and beyond radio communication skill. Lesson: I urge everyone to get trained in CPR and Basic First Aid. You never know when that training will possibly be the difference between life or death. - Clifford Segar, KD4GT, Rockwood, Tennessee
(http://www.arrl.org/nladclick.php?n=ae&t=i&i=2009-06-17&p=1)
ARES Briefs
Registration remains open through Sunday, June 28, 2009, for online course Amateur Radio Emergency Communications Level 1 beginning on Friday, July 10, 2009. The course has been developed in segments -- learning units with objectives, informative text, student activities and quizzes. It is interactive, and may include direct communications with a Mentor/Instructor. Mentors assist students by answering questions, reviewing assignments and activities, as well as providing helpful feedback. Interaction with mentors is conducted through e-mail; there is no appointed time the student must be present -- allowing complete flexibility for the student to work when and where it is convenient. To learn more, visit the _CCE Course Listing_ (http://www.arr.l.org/cep/student) page or contact the _Continuing Education Program Coordinator_ (mailto:cce@...) .

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The Amateur Radio Emergency Communications Enhancement Act of 2009 gained two new Congressional co-sponsors: Republican Roscoe Bartlett (MD-6) and Democrat Bart Gordon (TN-6). Originally sponsored by Representative Sheila Jackson-Lee, a Democrat representing Texas' 18th District, HR 2160 is also sponsored by Madeleine Bordallo (Guam), Brett Guthrie (KY-02), Mary Jo Kilroy (OH-15), Zoe Lofgren (CA-16), Blaine Luetkemeyer, (MO-9) and Bennie Thompson (MS-02). Click _here_ (http://www.arrl.org/news/stories/2009/05/12/10818) for information on how to encourage your Congressional representative to sponsor HR 2160.

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Alabama ARES planned once again to conduct an FM Simplex Exercise designed to encourage members to test their range on FM Simplex. This was to be a two-hour exercise to be held during the ARRL June VHF QSO Contest to allow ARES volunteers to have the opportunity to contact more distant VHF contest stations, many of whom run high power and gain antennas. During last year's event, some ARES volunteers were able to make contacts over 200 miles away from their QTH.
During the event, stations exchange call signs and "grid squares." You can obtain your grid square from QRZ.com by looking up your call sign and then clicking on "details." Birmingham, Shelby, and Tuscaloosa are in EM63, Huntsville is in EM64, Montgomery is in EM62, and Mobile is in EM50, for examples.
ARES groups were encouraged to man their local EOC's to test the range of served agencies' amateur communications. Other groups set up hill-top operations in high areas in communities and used Yagi (beam) antennas for greater range. It's also the perfect chance to test a backup power supply, and mobile stations. During hurricanes and winter storms, prolonged power outages can mean that even repeaters equipped with backup power supplies will fail in a few days. It's important to know the range of your station on simplex, and practice using it often. All ARES members are encouraged to take steps

to improve their simplex range.
Letters: Alert Notification Systems
I have not tried it myself, but I've also heard good things about _Phonevite_ (http://www.phonevite.com/) and from what I can see on the Web site it might be useful in some situations where there isn't a fancy pre-paid TENS system sitting around waiting for someone to find an excuse to use it. - Thomas Currie, N4AOF, Louisville, Kentucky (http://www.arrl.org/nladclick.php?n=ae&t=i&i=2009-06-17&p=2)
Letters: A Really "Hot" Rig
One of our local hams wanted to enjoy a recent day of sunshine outdoors but still monitor repeater activity. He moved his 2-meter radio near an open window, laid the microphone on the table, cranked up the volume and went outside for a bit of yard work confident that he could hear the rig and get back to it if he was called. Disappointed at not hearing even one voice after at least 40 minutes he went back inside, noticing the smell of something hot. Somehow the weight of the microphone cord had pulled it down off the table and wedged it between other items with the PTT switch depressed! The rig had been transmitting at full power for a considerable length of time. The radio case was so hot it could not be touched and papers near the radio had already started to discolor and curl. He quickly turned the rig off, disconnected the power cable and carried the radio by its power pigtail outside to the cement garage floor to cool. Would the rig have shut itself off or the fuses blown before starting an actual fire? Maybe, but indications are this operator got off lucky. No doubt he will be much more careful about laying down that microphone on any radio in the future. -- Lincoln Trail Amateur Radio Club Update/Newsletter, Elizabethtown, Kentucky, used with permission - submitted by David VanderMolen, AI4VF
Letters: Ambient Noise Solution
Something I've noticed in just about every photo of hams operating in EOCs, in communication trailers and vans, Incident Command Posts, etc: They all have mobile type microphones in their hands or desk mikes on stands in front of them. And they rely on the speakers in the radio or beside it to hear what is coming out of the radio.
A little over a year ago another ham and I had the privilege to tour an EOC in Cocoa, Florida. Although it was under construction, it had carpeted back walls and side panels to somewhat isolate the operating positions. I asked the EC who was showing us the room what would happen when there were operators at each position with the radios on? Would the operators keep turning up their radio louder and louder so they could hear it over the radio in the next position? He really didn't have an answer.
Later we stumbled upon another part of the ARES group who had a motor home/communications van set up on on Merritt Island to monitor a shuttle launch. Very nice setup, but again hand mikes and speakers. The ham who was giving us a tour admitted that it gets hard to hear in the van when more than one or two radios are in use.
The solution is a headset/boom mike. At my local EOC I talked them into the Heil Pro-Sets, adapters for the Kenwood radios and Heil footswitches. Expensive? I suppose, but the operators tend to talk softer and there is not that constant noise/chatter coming out of the radio. And the operator's hands are free to write and pass paper without having to hold onto a

microphone. Or put it down every time they need to do something. -- Hank Kohl, K8DD, AEC Lapeer County, Michigan

EmCommentary: The Need For Information

We all have a need for information, whether it is about what is going on in the world and our community, how our children are doing in school, what that medical test was all about, will I still have a job, or do I really need to replace the old, yet reliable car. The same is true in Emergency Communications. Throughout the days, we pay attention to disasters that are occurring around our country. We are all disaster junkies on some level. At HQ, we are no different, except the need for information goes beyond what we see on the TV, hear on the radio or read in the newspaper or online. To us, these can be an opportunity for Amateur Radio, or are events in which Hams are performing a vital role. But the problem is, only those Hams that are performing the job know about it.

When disaster events are of a magnitude that generates more than a few minutes of media coverage on television, we begin to ask the question "Is Amateur radio involved?" In most cases, our answer is, we don't know. To compound this, we are asked the same question by the same media that is covering the disaster. Our answer is the same. How can this be in today's world with all the means at our hands to convey information? Simply no one is telling us.

We all know that one of our jobs is to sell the capabilities of amateur radio for emergency communications, and once we sell it, we must be able to perform. For the information piece, unless we know what is occurring, we can't tell the story. If we are not told what is going on, the story is nothing is going on. It's not a complex situation to remedy. Whenever something happens that rises to the level of National media coverage, which almost everything is these days, have someone on your team send us an e-mail telling us the story. Then, we can follow-up to get the details on your operation. This works for two aspects: We know what is going on for the media-news side, and we are better able to support the response operations with coordination from HQ if needed. We'd rather have too much information, than none at all. Where to send this information is easy to remember too: _emergency@..._ (http://www.emergency@.../) - ARRL Emergency Preparedness and Response Manager Dennis Dura, K2DCD

K1CE For a Final

Here is a recent letter that made my day:

"Hi Rick, I don't know if you remember me or not. You got me started in ARES. Well on April 25 I finally passed my Technician class test and got my ticket. My call is KJ4LRB. I officially joined ARES this past Tuesday night and yesterday participated in my first net. Just wanted to say thanks for pointing me the right way! Also I contacted ARRL today. I want to join and volunteer with them, too. Well, I hope you are doing OK and can write soon. Take care. - 73, Eddie, KJ4LRB"

Makes it all worthwhile! Congratulations, and welcome, Eddie.

And another day-maker from Fred Jones, WA4SWF, whom we featured in the last issue:

"Mr. Rick Palm, Thank you for having me in the ARRL ARES E-Letter. I am very proud to be a member of the ARRL and work with the ARES Program. I don't know where Amateur Radio would be today without the ARRL. -- 73, Fred

Jones, WA4SWF, Louisa, Kentucky"
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ad.doubleclick.net%2Fclk%3B215692163%3B38015526%3Be)

# 803. North Fulton ARES Net, 6/21/2009, 8:30 pm

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2009-06-20 00:26:42 UTC
From: nfares@yahoogroups.com
Topic: 803  Message: 803

Reminder from: nfares Yahoo! Group
http://groups.yahoo.com/group/nfares/cal

North Fulton ARES Net
Sunday June 21, 2009
8:30 pm - 9:30 pm
(This event repeats every week.)
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# 804. North Fulton ARES Net Report for June 21, 2009

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2009-06-22 02:56:59 UTC
From: Shelia Staton
Topic: 804  Message: 804

There were 11 checkins for the June 21, 2009 Net:

W4UOC - Tom - EC North Fulton
N4SEC - Jim - Alpharetta
K4YJI - Bill - East Cobb
KD9RU - Dave - Milton
AF4IA - Lee - Sandy Springs
AD4MC - Mike - Sandy Springs
KG5WU - Wayne - Sandy Springs
W4QO - Jim - Roswell
KJ4HCB - Paul - Dekalb
KJ4HCC - Susan - Dekalb
KD4NKE - Shelia - AEC Sandy Springs - Net Control

Announcements:

Tom W4UOC thanked all who helped with the antenna installation at the North American Mission Board location: Jim W4QO, Dave KD9RU, Bill K4YJI, John K3WNT, Rick KB4R, and Chuck AE4CW.

Jim W4QO invited everyone to come out and participate at Field Day. If you can't be at Waller Park with the NFARL group, then make contact with us!

Happy Father's Day to all of you Dads out there. I hope your day was great!

73's,

Shelia
KD4NKE

# 805. NFARES Training on AirMail/WinLink

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2009-06-22 15:52:39 UTC
From: w4uoc@aol.com
Topic: 805  Message: 805

Attached is some information pertaining to AirMail which we will
demonstrate and provide some training for at our next NFARES meeting. I would
suggest you download the ham radio version of this software and be prepared to
discuss it's use at our next meeting.

Tom Koch - W4UOC
EC - NFARES

Airmail Downloads
Updated Dec 31 2008 (beta 3.4.034)
Propagation updated June 5 2009
This is the download page for the ham version of the Airmail radio-email
client program. This page is devoted to the ham-radio client applications.
Airmail is compatible with Windows 95 thru Vista. Development is continuing,
please report any problems and stop back often for updates. See the
included "release notes" in the Airmail inbox for details.
Installation instructions (please read carefully):
New Airmail users: You will want to download two or three programs: The
Airmail "complete install" below, the _Propagation program_
(http://www.airmail2000.com/ham/#propagation) , and sailors may want Airmail's _"Getfax"
weather-fax companion_ (http://www.airmail2000.com/ham/#weather) .
(Got Vista? See the _beta_ (http://www.airmail2000.com/ham/#beta) below
and _this page_ (http://saildocs.com/vista) for info)
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If you can download directly to your computer (or to a memory-stick or
CD), then do this:
Download _Airmail 3.3 Ham Client complete install_
(http://www.airmail2000.com/ham/amhc33081.exe) (ver 3.3.081, around 4.4 MB) and save it in
a
"downloads" folder. Make a note of the filename and the folder that it was
stored into. When finished, open that folder and open (i.e. double-click) the
downloaded file, this will start the Airmail install program. This file
includes everything you need except the propagation and maybe weatherfax
programs (see below). The most-recent PTC-II firmware updates are included.
(Note: Ver 3.3.081 is basically the same as the previous beta 3.3.080
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eExcfooterNO62)

# 806. North Fulton ARES Net, 6/28/2009, 8:30 pm

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2009-06-27 00:26:19 UTC
From: nfares@yahoogroups.com
Topic: 806  Message: 806

Reminder from: nfares Yahoo! Group
http://groups.yahoo.com/group/nfares/cal

North Fulton ARES Net
Sunday June 28, 2009
8:30 pm - 9:30 pm
(This event repeats every week.)
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# 807. ARES NET Report

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2009-06-30 16:14:32 UTC
From: David Hazell KD9RU
Topic: 807  Message: 807

There were 7checkins for the June 28, 2009 ARES Net:

W4UOC - Tom - EC North Fulton

N4SEC - Jim - Alpharetta

AJ4NT - Matt - Dunwoody

AD4MC - Mike - Sandy Springs

KD4NKE -Sheila - Sandy Springs

KG5WU - Wayne - Sandy Springs

KD9RU- Dave - Milton - Net Control

Announcements: de W4UOC

1. John Burdge K3WNL will present an overview of the Kenwood 2000 Transceiver at the July 14th. meeting
2. Members are encouraged to download Winlink, Airmail, and Echolink software to their computers. Bring your laptop to the meeting if you need help with the software.
3. Tom's Winlink address: W4UOC@...

The next scheduled Ares Net is July 5th.

The net closed at 8:43 PM

# 808. North Fulton ARES Net, 7/5/2009, 8:30 pm

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2009-07-04 00:26:35 UTC
From: nfares@yahoogroups.com
Topic: 808  Message: 808

Reminder from: nfares Yahoo! Group
http://groups.yahoo.com/group/nfares/cal

North Fulton ARES Net
Sunday July 5, 2009
8:30 pm - 9:30 pm
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# 809. New North Fulton ARES Net Control Schedule

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2009-07-06 01:39:41 UTC
From: Lee Juckett
Topic: 809  Message: 809

The new North Fulton ARES net control schedule is effective immediately, as follows:

1st Sunday - Lee AF4IA

2nd Sunday - Wayne KG5WU

3rd Sunday - Shelia KD4NKE

4th Sunday - Dave KD9RU

5th Sunday - Matt AJ4NT

This
rotation may change.  For example, we trade assignments if one of us
has a conflict.  Don't be disappointed if your favorite NCO is not
there when you check in .

Volunteers
are always welcome to perform "guest host" duties, so please let one of
us know if you would like to serve as net control operator.  We had a
very different lineup of operators last year, so there will be
opportunities in the future for interested folks.

73,
- Lee, AF4IA

# 810. North Fulton ARES 2-Meter Net Report - July 5, 2009

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2009-07-06 01:51:07 UTC
From: Lee Juckett
Topic: 810  Message: 810

We had 13 check-in's for tonight's NFARES 2-meter net:

1. AF4FO-Susan, SM-GA
2. K4HBI-Mike, OOC-GA, DEC Army Mars
3. W4UOC-Tom, EC-North Fulton (by relay from AD4MC)
4. KG5WU-Wayne
5. AJ4NT-Matt
6. KD9RU-Dave
7. AD4MC-Mike
8. KD4NKE-Shelia, AEC-Sandy Springs
9. KJ4HCB-Paul
10. KI4DSO-George
11. KJ4HMF-Jon
12. KJ4HCC-Susan (by relay from KJ4HCB)
13. AF4IA, Lee NCO

Wayne and Matt volunteered to take regular slots hosting the NFARES net.  A new net control schedule was recently posted to the Yahoo! Group.

Several NFARES and NFARL members volunteered yesterday to provide communications support for the Peachtree Road Race.

The net closed at 8:43 PM local time.

73 to all,
- Lee, AF4IA

# 811. North Fulton County ARES Meeting, 7/14/2009, 7:00 pm

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2009-07-07 22:56:37 UTC
From: nfares@yahoogroups.com
Topic: 811  Message: 811

Reminder from: nfares Yahoo! Group
http://groups.yahoo.com/group/nfares/cal

North Fulton County ARES Meeting
Tuesday July 14, 2009
7:00 pm - 8:30 pm
(This event repeats every month on the second Tuesday.)
(The next reminder for this event will be sent in 6 days, 3 minutes.)
Location: Sandy Springs City Council Chambers
Street: Morgan Falls Office Park, 7840 Roswell Road Building 500
City State Zip: Sandy Springs, GA 30350

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# 812. North Fulton ARES Net, 7/12/2009, 8:30 pm

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2009-07-11 00:26:50 UTC
From: nfares@yahoogroups.com
Topic: 812  Message: 812

Reminder from: nfares Yahoo! Group
http://groups.yahoo.com/group/nfares/cal

North Fulton ARES Net
Sunday July 12, 2009
8:30 pm - 9:30 pm
(This event repeats every week.)
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# 813. NFARES net for 7/12/2009

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2009-07-13 01:15:36 UTC
From: Wayne Chapman
Topic: 813  Message: 813

Tonight's net had 13 check-ins:

KG5WU, Wayne

W4CNG, Steve

W4UOC, Tom

AD4MC, Mike (via relay)

AF4IA, Lee (via relay)

W4QO, Jim

KC4YBO, Steve

KD9RU, Dave

K4YJI, Bill

AJ4NT, Matt

N4SEC, Jim

KJ4HCB, Paul

KJ4HCC, Susan (via relay)

Announcements:

W4UOC, Tom - ARES meeting is Tuesday 14th night at 7p at the Sandy Springs City Council chambers.  Program will be about NAMB - John Burdge K3WNL will discuss operating the Kenwood TS2000, Mike Cohen AD4MC will discuss Airmail / Winlink / DRats.

Also in late July, there will be a major CERT drill in the City of Atlanta.  Sandy Springs will also be participating.  More details will follow.

W4QO, Jim - Call for submissions to the NFARL eNews newletter.  Needs items ASAP.

Also the NFARL meeting will be Tuesday 21st.

Also Alive After Five is this Thursday 16th.  Call for volunteers.

K4YJI, Bill - Call for volunteers for the Chattahoochee Nature Center Butterfly Festival next weekend (Saturday 18th and Sunday 19th). Details are on the NFARL reflector.

Net closed at 8:48p local.

# 814. North Fulton County ARES Meeting, 7/14/2009, 7:00 pm

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2009-07-13 22:56:34 UTC
From: nfares@yahoogroups.com
Topic: 811  Message: 814

Reminder from: nfares Yahoo! Group
http://groups.yahoo.com/group/nfares/cal

North Fulton County ARES Meeting
Tuesday July 14, 2009
7:00 pm - 8:30 pm
(This event repeats every month on the second Tuesday.)
Location: Sandy Springs City Council Chambers
Street: Morgan Falls Office Park, 7840 Roswell Road Building 500
City State Zip: Sandy Springs, GA 30350

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# 815. North Fulton ARES Net, 7/19/2009, 8:30 pm

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2009-07-18 00:26:41 UTC
From: nfares@yahoogroups.com
Topic: 815  Message: 815

Reminder from: nfares Yahoo! Group
http://groups.yahoo.com/group/nfares/cal

North Fulton ARES Net
Sunday July 19, 2009
8:30 pm - 9:30 pm
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# 816. Another Winlink Test

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2009-07-19 02:46:34 UTC
From: Lee Juckett, AF4IA
Topic: 816  Message: 816

Another test - sorry for the bother, everyone.

- Lee, AF4IA

# 817. Last test

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2009-07-19 02:47:28 UTC
From: Lee Juckett, AF4IA
Topic: 817  Message: 817

I promise...

# 818. North Fulton ARES Net, 7/26/2009, 8:30 pm

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2009-07-25 00:27:17 UTC
From: nfares@yahoogroups.com
Topic: 818  Message: 818

Reminder from: nfares Yahoo! Group
http://groups.yahoo.com/group/nfares/cal

North Fulton ARES Net
Sunday July 26, 2009
8:30 pm - 9:30 pm
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# 819. FW: Ares net report July 26,2009

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2009-07-27 18:57:31 UTC
From: David Hazell KD9RU
Topic: 819  Message: 819

NFARES 2-Meter Net Report, July 26, 2009

There were 12 check-ins for this net.

W4UOC Tom Sandy Springs EC/North Fulton

N4SEC Jim Alpharetta

WB4MAK Mack Milton]

AJ4NT Matt Dunwoody

K4YJI Bill East Cobb

KG5WU Wayne Sandy Springs

AF4IA Lee Sandy Springs via Winlink

KJ4HCB Paul Dunwoody

Kj4HCC Susan Dunwoody (via relay)

AD4MC Mike Sandy Springs

KJ4HMF John Johns Creek

KD9RU Dave Milton Net Control

W4UOC-Tom mentioned the use of Winlink as an additional option for checking into this net.

The net closed at 08:42 local time.

# 820. Check out Shortwave radio is finding a receptive young audience - Los An...

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2009-07-28 16:35:06 UTC
From: w4uoc@aol.com
Topic: 820  Message: 820

_Click here: Shortwave radio is finding a receptive young audience - Los
Angeles Times_
(http://www.latimes.com/news/local/la-me-teen-radio25-2009jul25,0,1740751.story?track=rss)

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editreport.com/pm/default.aspx?sc=668072&hmpgID=62&bcd=Jul
yExcfooterNO62)

# 821. North Fulton ARES Net, 8/2/2009, 8:30 pm

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2009-08-01 00:25:53 UTC
From: nfares@yahoogroups.com
Topic: 821  Message: 821

Reminder from: nfares Yahoo! Group
http://groups.yahoo.com/group/nfares/cal

North Fulton ARES Net
Sunday August 2, 2009
8:30 pm - 9:30 pm
(This event repeats every week.)
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# 822. NFARES 2-Meter Net Report, August 2, 2009

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2009-08-03 01:37:54 UTC
From: mike_ad4mc
Topic: 822  Message: 822

We had 12 check-ins for tonight's NFARES 2-meter net: AF4FO, Susan, Norcross, SM-GA K4HBI, Mike, Norcross, OOC-GA, DEC-Army MARS W4UOC, Tom, Sandy Springs, EC North Fulton County W4CNG, Steve, Alpharetta, ADEC N4SEC, Jim, Alpharetta, AEC K4YJI, Bill, East Cobb, Battery Power KD9RU, Dave, Milton KG5WU, Wayne, Sandy Springs AJ4NT, Matt, Dunwoody, Emergency Power KJ4HCB, Paul, Dunwoody KJ4HCC, Susan, Dunwoody AD4MC, Mike, Sandy Springs, Net Control, Battery Power W4UOC reported that he had spoken to Lee, AF4IA, this evening and that Lee's wife, Linda, is in St. Joseph's hospital after having surgery. The net closed at 8:38 PM local time. 73, Mike AD4MC ad4mc@... <mailto:ad4mc@...>
770-262-5212 cell

# 823. NFARES 2-Meter Net Report, August 2, 2009

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2009-08-03 18:20:06 UTC
From: mike_ad4mc
Topic: 822  Message: 823

An easier to read message #822 can be seen on the "Visit Your Group" page. The "Rich-Text Editor (Beta) or I must need a little fine tuning yet.

We had 12 check-ins for tonight's NFARES 2-meter net:

AF4FO, Susan, Norcross, SM-GA
K4HBI, Mike, Norcross, OOC-GA, DEC-Army MARS
W4UOC, Tom, Sandy Springs, EC North Fulton County
W4CNG, Steve, Alpharetta, ADEC
N4SEC, Jim, Alpharetta, AEC
K4YJI, Bill, East Cobb, Battery Power
KD9RU, Dave, Milton
KG5WU, Wayne, Sandy Springs
AJ4NT, Matt, Dunwoody, Emergency Power
KJ4HCB, Paul, Dunwoody
KJ4HCC, Susan, Dunwoody
AD4MC, Mike, Sandy Springs, Net Control, Battery Power

W4UOC reported that he had spoken to Lee, AF4IA, this evening and that Lee's wife, Linda, is in St. Joseph's hospital after having surgery.

The net closed at 8:38 PM local time.

73,

Mike
AD4MC
ad4mc@arrl.net
770-262-5212 cell

# 824. Fwd: additional info about the Ellijay hamfest

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2009-08-03 21:08:43 UTC
From: w4uoc@aol.com
Topic: 824  Message: 824

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From: memberlist@...
To: w4uoc@...
Sent: 8/3/2009 2:06:33 P.M. Eastern Daylight Time
Subj: additional info about the Ellijay hamfest

Greetings, All.

This coming Saturday, August 8, will be the Ellijay hamfest, which touts itself as the "biggest little hamfest in Georgia". It could just as easily brand itself as one of the friendliest, or as a delightful respite from the oppressive mid-summer heat of the flatlands. No doubt, there are a lot of reasons to make the trip this weekend to the Ellijay Lions Club, at 1729 S. Main Street, but in case you're still undecided, here's a couple more reasons:

This year's fest will feature two special speakers.

At 9:00 AM, RON SHAVER, W4VM, will chat about DSTAR, the new Fort Mountain DSTAR setup, and will offer a short demo with a portable UHF DSTAR repeater. Following Ron's talk at 10:00 AM, GREG ABERNATHY, AI4UD, an EARS club member, will provide a presentation on Lighting & Grounding for the hamshack.

Ron was first licensed in 1993 and has enjoyed many aspects of the hobby including DXing, HF contesting, Packet, ATV and most notably, Repeaters. He has also taught several Technician and General Licensing classes. He is past president of the North Alabama Repeater Association, and the Alabama Repeater Council. He operates the 147.10 Analog and W4WBC D-Star along with several UHF and Club Repeaters in Huntsville. His current primary focus is with the Southern Baptist Disaster Relief (SouthBears) Communications group. He has been very active in D-Star since 2006 and has presented forums at Huntsville, Orlando and Dayton Hamfests. While these forums are often very detailed and technical, Ron is known for his desire to help new users get the most out of D-Star operation; from the minimum quick start to the power user tips and tricks. Ron lives in Huntsville Alabama with his wife Sandie: KE4LRX and daughters Emily: KF4SUV and Kelley KI4IAW.

Greg is a Electromagnetic's Engineer, graduated from Auburn University in 1985. A National Association of Radio and Telecommunications Engineer (NARTE) Certified Electromagnetic Compatibility (EMC) Engineer (NCE) since 1990. A Professional Engineer in the state of GA since 1995. Amateur Radio operator since 2007 (Extra Class), Experienced in military and commercial design, test and analysis in the fields of High Speed Signal Integrity, EMC, ESD, EMP, Lightning, RF and photonics.

Authored and Co-Authored 4 US patents and 2 European patents.

Sounds like a couple of excellent forums, huh? Thanks to JIM HADDER, KE4ZX, for sharing this new information about these exciting additions to the Ellijay hamfest.

I hope to see a bunch of you there. Gates open for general admission at 7AM. Talk-in 145.170(-)PL 100. http://www.ngamtn.com/w4hhh/

Until next time, this is AF4FO, signing clear. Take care of yourselves. And each other. 73, Susan

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No trees were killed in the sending of this message. However, a large number of electrons were terribly inconvenienced.
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ARRL Georgia Section
Section Manager: Susan K. Swiderski, AF4FO
af4fo@...
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# 825. North Fulton County ARES Meeting, 8/11/2009, 7:00 pm

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2009-08-04 22:56:37 UTC
From: nfares@yahoogroups.com
Topic: 825  Message: 825

Reminder from: nfares Yahoo! Group
http://groups.yahoo.com/group/nfares/cal

North Fulton County ARES Meeting
Tuesday August 11, 2009
7:00 pm - 8:30 pm
(This event repeats every month on the second Tuesday.)
(The next reminder for this event will be sent in 6 days, 4 minutes.)
Location: Sandy Springs City Council Chambers
Street: Morgan Falls Office Park, 7840 Roswell Road Building 500
City State Zip: Sandy Springs, GA 30350

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# 826. North Fulton ARES Net, 8/9/2009, 8:30 pm

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2009-08-08 00:27:02 UTC
From: nfares@yahoogroups.com
Topic: 826  Message: 826

Reminder from: nfares Yahoo! Group
http://groups.yahoo.com/group/nfares/cal

North Fulton ARES Net
Sunday August 9, 2009
8:30 pm - 9:30 pm
(This event repeats every week.)
Location: 147.060 MHz (plus 600kHz) PL 100.0. Backup is 145.470 MHz (minus 600 kHz) PL 100.0

Notes:
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# 827. NFARES Net Report for Sunday 8/9/2009

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2009-08-10 01:07:38 UTC
From: Wayne Chapman
Topic: 827  Message: 827

Tonight's net had 14 check-ins:

KG5WU,Wayne
AF4FO,Susan
K4HBI,Mike
W4UOC,Tom
AD4MC,Mike
K4YJI,Bill
AJ4NT,Matt
KD9RU,Dave
AF4IA,Lee (winlink)
KJ4HMF,Jon
KD4NKE,Shelia
W4QO,Jim
K4ZOL,Marilyn
KI4YDJ,Dan

Announcements:

W4UOC,Tom - ARES Meeting on Tuesday night - Two programs:
  1) K3WNL will talk about the Kenwood TS2000, the main HF rig at the North American Mission Board,
  2) D-Star/D-RATS

W4QO,Jim - upcoming NFARL events: TechNet (Mondays), YouthNet (Fridays), HungryHams (Wednesdays), Meeting on Tuesday (8/18), call for eNews submissions
  - attended digital workshop on Saturday about FLDIGI

Started the net at 8:30p local
Closed the net at 8:45p local

# 828. North Fulton County ARES Meeting, 8/11/2009, 7:00 pm

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2009-08-10 22:56:48 UTC
From: nfares@yahoogroups.com
Topic: 825  Message: 828

Reminder from: nfares Yahoo! Group
http://groups.yahoo.com/group/nfares/cal

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Location: Sandy Springs City Council Chambers
Street: Morgan Falls Office Park, 7840 Roswell Road Building 500
City State Zip: Sandy Springs, GA 30350

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# 829. DStar and DRats low speed data transmission demo

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2009-08-11 19:24:23 UTC
From: w4uoc@aol.com
Topic: 829  Message: 829

If you are interested in experimenting with DStar's DRats low speed data program you can download it free from this site.
_http://www.d-rats.com/wiki/Branch0.3_ (http://www.d-rats.com/wiki/Branch0.3)

You do not have to have a DStar radio or Dongle to use this program online. We will discuss this at the NFARES meeting on Tuesday evening, August 11th. The meeting starts at 7:00 p.m. at the Sandy Springs City Council Chambers in the Morgan Falls Office Complex, just north of the intersection of Morgan Falls and Roswell Road in Sandy Springs.

Those interested in dinner, prior to the meeting, are invited to join some of the members at Tijuana Joe's restaurant just north of the city offices complex

We will show you how to set it up and test it online or with a DStar radio.

Hope to see you there.

73

Tom Koch - W4UOC
EC - North Fulton ARES

# 830. Re: October Calendar

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2009-08-13 23:11:43 UTC
From: w4uoc@aol.com
Topic: 830  Message: 830

There is talk about a statewide SET. Basically thy want participants to turn off the power to their homes for that weekend and operate as if in an extreme disaster!

Most of the statewide ECs think it's nuts!

I think a simpler SET incorporating the EOCs from our 5 cities an WebEOC with a D-Star connection from the incident command center would be quite effective. Maybe 5 independent nets fro each of the 5 cities to an overall NCS and transmit the traffic using a digital mode such as D-Rats for the final link.

First level net by community FM simplex

Second level our normal 147.06 net with check-ins from the community area nets

Third level relay traffic to Web/EOC and their network which is basically GA EMA

Fourth level Report Traffic to Atlanta/Fulton County an GEMA.

We should accept a chairmanship recommendations from our group.

Tom Koch

In a message dated 8/13/2009 4:01:41 P.M. Eastern Daylight Time, qrp@... writes:

I just got my Sept QST and started filling in my calendar for October.

Here is what I have so far:

October
3 - Ham Cram
3-4 - National S.E.T. weekend
13 - ARES meeting
17 - 18 - JOTA
20 - NFARL meeting
19-24 School Round Up (a contest for schools)

NOV. 7 - Lawrenceville hamfest?

Now I don't expect all these to materialize but here is some food for thought?

S.E.T. - should we have a simple 1 to 2 hour S.E.T. to have some fun for the new folks like we did a couple years ago? Could this be a MMM?

JOTA - would we do another outing like we did last year at the park? Would it involve the Merit Badge class? Could this be a MMM?

I am not proposing anything - just thinking out loud!!

# 831. North Fulton ARES Net, 8/16/2009, 8:30 pm

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2009-08-15 00:27:22 UTC
From: nfares@yahoogroups.com
Topic: 831  Message: 831

Reminder from: nfares Yahoo! Group
http://groups.yahoo.com/group/nfares/cal

North Fulton ARES Net
Sunday August 16, 2009
8:30 pm - 9:30 pm
(This event repeats every week.)
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# 832. Net Report for 8/16/09 NFARES Net

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2009-08-17 01:35:16 UTC
From: sstaton@mindspring.com
Topic: 832  Message: 832

The following 15 radio operators checked into the NFARES Net on 8/16/09:

AF4FO Susan
K4HBI Mike
W4UOC Tom
N4SEC Jim
K4YJI Bill
AJ4NT Matt
N4JDO Marty
KD9RU Dave
W4QO Jim
AE4CW Chuck
KJ4HCB Paul
KJ4HCC Susan
K4KGA Mike
KG5WU Wayne
KD4NKE Shelia (Net Control)

Thanks to all for checking in. Please join us at the monthly North Fulton Amateur Radio League meeting on 8/18 at 7:30 p.m. at the Masonic Lodge in Alpharetta. For more details, please visit www.nfarl.org.

Respectfully submitted,

Shelia
KD4NKE

# 833. Fw: NFARES Net for July 19, 2009

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2009-08-17 01:36:01 UTC
From: sstaton@mindspring.com
Topic: 833  Message: 833

There were 9 radio operators who checked in for the July 19th North Fulton Amateur Radio Emergency Services weekly net:

W4UOC Tom
K4YJI Bill
AF4IA Lee
KD9RU Dave
KG5WU Wayne
AD4MC Mike
KJ4HMF John
AE4CW Chuck
KD4NKE Shelia (Net Control)

I apologize that this report was submitted late. It was, however, included in our July totals.

Respectfully submitted,

Shelia
KD4NKE

# 834. Sandy Springs Request for NFARES Assistance not a DRILL

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2009-08-21 14:54:07 UTC
From: w4uoc@aol.com
Topic: 834  Message: 834

We have had a request from the Sandy Springs Fire Marshal, Jeff Scarborough, to assist in the change over of the Sandy Springs 991 center on Monday August 31st.. They are concerned that during the change over they may need a backup system from the 911 center to the four Sandy Springs fire stations and the EOC.

They have asked for us to set up two meter communications at each of these locations and handle traffic directed to the Fire Rescue Service if the 911 system experiences delays or failures during the switch.

If, during the 911 switch or a failure of the system our mission would be to relay fire/rescue calls to the individual fire stations from the 911 center or EOC.

We have been requested to have our stations set up at these locations starting no later than 6:00 p.m. and expect to remain active until late in the evening, possible until midnight or later.

I will receive additional details in the next few days and will forward those details to those that choose to volunteer for this effort. This will not be a DRILL but an actual emergency response system activation!

So far John Burdge, K3WNL as agreed to take Sandy Springs Fire Station #1, located at Roberts Road and Spaulding. I will take the 911 center which is a remodeled secure location near Barfield and Hammond Drive.
Since Shelia, KD4NKE will be out of town I need an experienced volunteer to the Sandy Springs EOC and operators for the other three fire stations.

Other than at the EOC we will be required to provide our own transceivers antennas and power supplies. We believe that we should not rely on handheld radios. So if you volunteer please indicate if you can provide a radio and portable antenna. I will have at least one or two additional 25-50 watt radios and antennas if needed.

We will probably operate on a simplex frequency to avoid unnecessary traffic on any of our club repeaters.

Please respond if you can help with this effort by return email or by calling my cell 404-314-6109.

We will have a practice session from each site prior the actual event to assure our equipment and network will provide the needed support.

Tom Koch - W4UOC
EC - North Fulton ARES

# 835. Sandy Springs Request for NFARES Assistance - NOT A DRILL

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2009-08-21 17:51:13 UTC
From: w4uoc@aol.com
Topic: 835  Message: 835

We have had a request from the Sandy Springs Fire Marshal, Jeff Scarborough, to assist in the change over of the Sandy Springs 991 center on Monday August 31st.. They are concerned that during the change over they may need a backup system from the 911 center to the four Sandy Springs fire stations and the EOC.

They have asked for us to set up two meter communications at each of these locations and handle traffic directed to the Fire Rescue Service if the 911 system experiences delays or failures during the switch over.

If, during the 911 switch or a failure of the system our mission would be to relay fire/rescue calls to the individual fire stations from the 911 center or EOC.

We have been requested to have our stations set up at these locations starting no later than 6:00 p.m. and expect to remain active until late in the evening, possible until midnight or later.

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So far John Burdge, K3WNL as agreed to take Sandy Springs Fire Station #1, located at Roberts Road and Spaulding. Wayne Chapman has offered to take Fire Station #4 at Wieuca Road. I will take the 911 center which is a remodeled, secure, location near Barfield and Hammond Drive.

Since Shelia, KD4NKE will be out of town I need an experienced volunteer to the Sandy Springs EOC and operators for the other three fire stations.

Other than at the EOC we will be required to provide our own transceivers antennas and power supplies, both AC and emergency power such as batteries. We believe that we should not rely on handheld radios but they might be useful to monitor with during the event. If you volunteer please indicate if you can provide a radio and portable antenna. I will have at least one or two additional 25-50 watt radios and antennas if needed.

We will probably operate on a simplex frequency to avoid unnecessary traffic on any of our club repeaters.

Please respond if you can help with this effort by return email or by calling my cell 404-314-6109.

We will have a practice session from each site prior the actual event to assure our equipment and network will provide the needed support. Most likely we will run the test from those locations during our regularly scheduled NFARES net on the 147.06 repeater and then switch to simplex for the sites

that will be activated on the August 31 activation.

Tom Koch - W4UOC
EC - North Fulton ARES

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# 836. North Fulton ARES Net, 8/23/2009, 8:30 pm

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2009-08-22 00:26:18 UTC
From: nfares@yahoogroups.com
Topic: 836  Message: 836

Reminder from: nfares Yahoo! Group
http://groups.yahoo.com/group/nfares/cal

North Fulton ARES Net
Sunday August 23, 2009
8:30 pm - 9:30 pm
(This event repeats every week.)
Location: 147.060 MHz (plus 600kHz) PL 100.0. Backup is 145.470 MHz (minus 600 kHz) PL 100.0

Notes:
Please remember that both repeaters now require a PL tone of 100.0 Hz

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# 837. Request from the Sandy Springs Fire/Rescue for our assistance

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2009-08-22 16:15:40 UTC
From: w4uoc@aol.com
Topic: 837  Message: 837

We have had a request from the Sandy Springs Fire Marshal, Jeff Scarborough, to assist in the change over of the Sandy Springs 991 center on Monday August 31st.. They are concerned that during the change over they may need a backup communications system from the 911 center to the four Sandy Springs fire stations and the EOC.

If, during the 911 switch or a failure of the system our mission would be to relay fire/rescue calls to the individual fire stations from the 911 center or EOC.

We have been requested to have our stations set up at these locations starting no later than 8:00 p.m. and expect to remain active until late in the evening, possible until midnight or later.

I will receive additional details in the next few days and will forward those details to those that choose to volunteer for this effort. This will not be a "DRILL" but an actual emergency response system activation!

So far John Burdge, K3WNL as agreed to take Sandy Springs Fire Station #1, located at Roberts Road and Spaulding. Wayne Chapman has offered to take Fire Station #4 at Wieuca Road and Matt AJ4NT will be at station # 3. I will take the 911 center which is a remodeled former IBM facility, in a secure location near the Sandy Springs Police station on Barfield and Hammond Drive.

Since Shelia, KD4NKE will be out of town I need to assign an experienced volunteer to the Sandy Springs EOC and operators for the remaining fire stations.

Other than at the EOC, we will be required to provide our own transceivers antennas and power supplies, both AC and emergency power such as batteries. We believe that we should not rely on handheld radios but they might be useful to monitor with during the event. If you volunteer please indicate if you can provide a radio and portable antenna. I will have at least one or two additional 25-50 watt radios and antennas if needed.

We will probably operate on a simplex frequency to avoid unnecessary traffic on our club repeaters.

Please respond if you can help with this effort by return email or by calling my cell 404-314-6109.

We will run the test from the fire station locations during our regularly scheduled August 23rd NFARES net on the 147.06 repeater and then switch to simplex for the sites that will be activated on the August 31 activation.

Tom Koch - W4UOC
EC - North Fulton ARES

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# 838. New Sandy Springs 911 center ready to go live Sept. 1

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2009-08-23 15:35:15 UTC
From: w4uoc@aol.com
Topic: 838  Message: 838

New 911 center ready to go live Sept. 1

_by Amy Wenk_
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_write the author_ (mailto:amywenk@...)

(http://sandysprings.reporternewspapers.net/Articles-c-2009-08-20-166373.113118_New_911_center_ready_to_go_live_Sept_1.html#123)

Staff of the Chattahoochee River 911 Authority like Stephen Pierce (foreground) train for the center's Sept. 1 opening. (click for larger version)
August 21, 2009
The Chattahoochee River 911 Authority (Chatcomm) that serves Sandy Springs and Johns Creek will go live Sept. 1.

The $5.6-million facility, which fills 16,000 square feet on the fourth floor of an office building at the intersection of Barfield Road and Mount Vernon Highway in Sandy Springs, was set to open July 30. But it was delayed to better prep employees on emergency response procedures and equipment.

Now the 70-plus staffers of Chatcomm have trained and conducted drills for more than six weeks and are ready to dispatch both cities' police and fire departments, as well as Rural Metro Ambulance.

"We are just ironing out the last operational details," Sandy Springs Assistant City Manager Noah Reiter said after an Aug. 11 board meeting at the 911 center. "The staff has completed all their formal training and certifications, so now they are just practicing doing mock calls."

He added there are a "few final configuration pieces on the systems, but nothing substantial."

Officials have said the new center will increase local control over public safety and improve the service and protection Sandy Springs residents receive.

Call takers and dispatchers for the 911 center will be provided by New Jersey-based iXP Corp., but some Sandy Springs law enforcement personnel will be located there, too.

"There are one or two spaces that are really going to be utilitized by Sandy Springs police, at least initially," Reiter said. "It might branch out to some other jurisdictions as well."

One city space is a training room that around September or October will house the Sandy Springs Emergency Operations Center (EOC), now located at City Hall. Nearby is a smaller space for a future amateur radio operator that

can support the EOC with emergency and disaster communications.

The Georgia Crime Information Center (GCIC) for Sandy Springs and Johns Creek will be relocated to the 911 center. That center handles criminal records, warrants and background checks.

"They need to work pretty closely with the 911 center," Reiter said.

There is another room for the Sandy Springs law enforcement intelligence center, which is being called the Fusion Center. In that space, officers will conduct real-time crime analysis and forecasting from video surveillance. Images will be shared with the EOC, said Reiter.

"We should be good here I think for at least five years without major modifications to the floor," Reiter said.

911 Basics

A look at the new Chattahoochee River 911 Authority (Chatcomm), which is expected to go live on Sept. 1.

How is it staffed? Cranbury, N.J.-based iXP Corp. hires all employees. The company won the $33-million contract last year to design, build and operate the 911 center for five years. The agreement requires 56 full-time employees, including 8 administrative and supervisory positions. Shifts are 12 hours long.

How is it funded? Operational funding for the center comes from an existing fee charged on phone bills. Fulton County will redirect the portion of those funds to Chatcomm that come from people and businesses in Sandy Springs and Johns Creek.

Who built it? The facility was once a large unfinished space, but in five months contractor Humphreys & Co. turned the concrete and exposed piping into a state-of-the-art center.

What is in the center? The 911 center with its 14 stations takes up the majority of the facility. Most desks have four computer screens.

How does it improve public safety? Sandy Springs and Johns Creek officials will impose financial disincentives on iXP if call answer and processing times are not met. The cities require that 90 percent of the time employees pick up phones within 10 seconds and dispatch public safety agencies within 60 seconds. It was difficult, Sandy Springs Assistant City Manager Noah Reiter said, to enforce performance requirements when Fulton County controlled 911.

What about the video? The International Association of Chiefs of Police (IACP) has asked to feature Chatcomm and both police departments' role in the initiative in a video for the IACP annual conference in October. Sandy Springs, Johns Creek and iXP officials agreed Aug. 11 to split the $19,000 production fee for what Sandy Springs Police Chief Terry Sult called a "huge marketing tool."

# 839. Ares Net 8-23-09

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2009-08-25 00:48:02 UTC
From: David Hazell
Topic: 839  Message: 839

The North Fulton Ares Net on August 23, 2009 commenced at 8:30 PM local time. Net control was KD9RU. The following stations signed into the net.
1..
2.. W4U0C Tom Sandy Springs
3.. N4SEC Jim Alpharetta
4.. K4YJI Bill East Cobb
5.. N4JDO Marty East Cobb
6.. W4QO Jim West Roswell
7.. K7SYS John Johns Creek - via relay
8.. KG5WU Wayne Sandy SprinGS
9.. AJ4NT Matt Dunwoody
10.. KD4NKE Sheila Sandy Springs
11.. KJ4MIJ Clyde Dunwoody
12.. KI4DSO George Sandy Springs
13.. KD4HCB Paul Dunwoody
14.. KD4HCC Susan Dunwoody - via relay
15.. K4KGA Mike Kennesaw
16.. KD9RU Dave Milton - Net Control
ANNOUNCEMENTS:
W4U0C discussed the role NFARES would play in assisting the City of Sandy Springs in transitioning to a new EOC. Several ARES stations were deployed during the net to various locations to test communications and in so doing to form a sub-net. The sub-net reported to its own net contrrol (KD4NKE) who then reported test results to ARES Net Control.
The net was closed at 8:53 PM local time.

# 840. Sandy Springs & Johns Creek 911 Conversion Request - additional NFARES needs.

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2009-08-25 13:41:01 UTC
From: w4uoc@aol.com
Topic: 840  Message: 840
Attachments: 1 described; binary payloads are missing from this source WARC

We have been requested to include the Johns Creek Fire Stations in the 911 conversion on August 31st.
We will not be using the old Sandy Springs EOC for the command center for this conversion control but will be operating the Net Control Station from the new 911/EOC at Barfield Drive and Mt Vernon Roads. However we now need to set up communication for the Johns Creek Fire Stations. I have attached a map of these sites. Since we won't need NFARES folks at the old EOC, I am asking if you can help with the Johns Creek sites. Bill Reed K4IJI, Chuck AE4CW offered to help at the old EOC could you take one of the Johns Creek sites? Or George if you live in Johns Creek could you switch and take a site in Johns Creek and let Bill Reed take Sandy Springs Station #2? ( Johns Creek Map attached as a file)
If we must include Johns Creek we will probably be required to use either the two meter or 440 Roswell repeaters. We can test both next Sunday evening during our regularly scheduled NFARES net.

Your responses please!

Tom Koch - W4UOC

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If, during the 911 switch or a failure of the system our mission would be to relay fire/rescue calls to the individual fire stations from the 911 center or EOC.

We have been requested to have our stations set up at these locations starting no later than 8:00 p.m. and expect to remain active until late in the evening, possible until midnight or later.

I will receive additional details in the next few days and will forward those details to those that choose to volunteer for this effort. This will not be a "DRILL" but an actual emergency response system activation!

So far John Burdge, K3WNL as agreed to take Sandy Springs Fire Station #1, located at Roberts Road and Spaulding. Wayne Chapman has offered to take Fire Station #4 at Wieuca Road and Matt AJ4NT will be at station # 3. I will take the 911 center which is a remodeled former IBM facility, in a

secure location near the Sandy Springs Police station on Barfield and Hammond Drive.

Since Shelia, KD4NKE will be out of town I need to assign an experienced volunteer to the Sandy Springs EOC and operators for the remaining fire stations.

Other than at the EOC, we will be required to provide our own transceivers antennas and power supplies, both AC and emergency power such as batteries. We believe that we should not rely on handheld radios but they might be useful to monitor with during the event. If you volunteer please indicate if you can provide a radio and portable antenna. I will have at least one or two additional 25-50 watt radios and antennas if needed.

We will probably operate on a simplex frequency to avoid unnecessary traffic on our club repeaters.

Please respond if you can help with this effort by return email or by calling my cell 404-314-6109.

We will run the test from the fire station locations during our regularly scheduled August 23rd NFARES net on the 147.06 repeater and then switch to simplex for the sites that will be activated on the August 31 activation.

Tom Koch - W4UOC
EC - North Fulton ARES

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# 841. Re: Sandy Springs & Johns Creek 911 Conversion Request - additional NFARES needs.

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2009-08-25 17:07:49 UTC
From: George Lane
Topic: 840  Message: 841
Attachments: 2 described; binary payloads are missing from this source WARC

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# 842. Sandy Springs/Johns Creek 911 Change Over

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2009-08-25 21:15:42 UTC
From: w4uoc@aol.com
Topic: 842  Message: 842
Attachments: 1 described; binary payloads are missing from this source WARC

It appears that the Roswell 440 repeater on 443.175 + no tone will work the best for coverage of the combined city areas. Please program that into your radios for the project scheduled for Monday evening August 31st starting at 8:00 p.m. till midnight !!!

We will test our systems again during the Sunday evening NFARES net starting on the 147.06 repeater like we did last week but first we will go simplex on 146.49 for a subgroup check-in and then to the Roswell UHF repeater on 443.150+ with no tone required.

The station assignments as of now are as follows:
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3. Matt - AJ4NT
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EOC/911 Center Tom - W4UOC

Johns Creek Stations (map attached as a file)
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2. Chuck - AC4CW
3. Bill - K4YJI

If possible I would request that you check into the NFARES net from your assigned locations.

You should expect to receive several transmissions for you station during the change over activities. I will detail the procedures during the Sunday evening net.

Thank you, in advance for your efforts and willingness to participate in this activity.

73

Tom Koch - W4UOC
EC - NFARES
404-314-6109

# 843. Fwd: [nfares] Sandy Springs/Johns Creek 911 Change Over CORRECTION

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2009-08-25 21:25:07 UTC
From: w4uoc@aol.com
Topic: 843  Message: 843
Attachments: 1 described; binary payloads are missing from this source WARC

Note a correction to the frequency of the Roswell 440 repeater it should read 443.150 +

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From: w4uoc@...
To: nfares@yahoogroups.com
Sent: 8/25/2009 5:18:06 P.M. Eastern Daylight Time
Subj: [nfares] Sandy Springs/Johns Creek 911 Change Over

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# 844. North Fulton ARES Net, 8/30/2009, 8:30 pm

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2009-08-29 00:26:23 UTC
From: nfares@yahoogroups.com
Topic: 844  Message: 844

Reminder from: nfares Yahoo! Group
http://groups.yahoo.com/group/nfares/cal

North Fulton ARES Net
Sunday August 30, 2009
8:30 pm - 9:30 pm
(This event repeats every week.)
Location: 147.060 MHz (plus 600kHz) PL 100.0. Backup is 145.470 MHz (minus 600 kHz) PL 100.0

Notes:
Please remember that both repeaters now require a PL tone of 100.0 Hz

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# 845. Alternate net control tonight?

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2009-08-30 17:07:30 UTC
From: Matthew Garland
Topic: 845  Message: 845

Fellow NFARES members,

I'll be net control tonight from Sandy Springs Fire Station #3.

I'll run the net as usual EXCEPT I'm going to ask for a station to stand by as alternate net control. I will pass net control to the alternate temporarily while I am off frequency for the fire station tests. If you are not involved in the fire station testing, please consider keying up when I request a station for alternate.

Thanks for your help, and I look forward to hearing each of you on the air tonight!

73, Matt/AJ4NT

# 846. North Fulton ARES Net for 30 Aug 2009

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2009-08-31 02:21:12 UTC
From: Matthew Garland
Topic: 846  Message: 846

We had 14 check-ins for the 30 Aug 2009 North Fulton ARES net:

1. KD9RU Dave (alternate net control)
2. W4UOC Tom
3. W4VRX Jimmy
4. N4SEC Jim
5. KC4YBO Steve
6. K3WNL John
7. K4YJI Bill
8. KG5WU Wayne
9. AE4CW Chuck
10. WB4NWS Jim
11. KE4QCM Tom
12. K4KGA Mike
13. KJ4MIJ Clyde
14. AJ4NT Matt (net control)

Tom (W4UOC) working from the Sandy Springs 911 Center, called a sub-net to the 443.150 repeater to test comms for the Sandy Springs/Johns Creek 911 cutover event scheduled for Monday 31 Aug 2009. NFARES personnel were located at all four Sandy Springs fire stations, and at two John's Creek fire stations. Tom issued a roll-call and successfully copied all six stations. The sub-net then moved to 146.49 for a simplex test, and Tom again copied all six stations.

Following the comms test, Chief Scarborough of the Sandy Springs Fire Department briefed the sub-net on the 911 cutover mission.

The sub-net closed and returned to the 147.06 repeater, where the North Fulton ARES net was closed at 9:08pm EDT.

My thanks to everyone who participated in tonight's net, with special thanks for your patience and perseverance in spite of the static.

73 de Matt AJ4NT

# 847. Re:North Fulton ARES Net for 30 Aug 2009

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2009-08-31 12:18:39 UTC
From: ad4mc@arrl.net
Topic: 846  Message: 847

Good luck to all of you during the 911 cutover mission. If I were not out of state on vacation, I sure would enjoy being part of this team.

73,

Mike
AD4MC
ad4mc@...
770-262-5212 cell

Mike Cohen | +1 770 557 4630

# 848. North Fulton County ARES Meeting, 9/8/2009, 7:00 pm

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2009-09-01 22:56:32 UTC
From: nfares@yahoogroups.com
Topic: 848  Message: 848

Reminder from: nfares Yahoo! Group
http://groups.yahoo.com/group/nfares/cal

North Fulton County ARES Meeting
Tuesday September 8, 2009
7:00 pm - 8:30 pm
(This event repeats every month on the second Tuesday.)
(The next reminder for this event will be sent in 6 days, 4 minutes.)
Location: Sandy Springs City Council Chambers
Street: Morgan Falls Office Park, 7840 Roswell Road Building 500
City State Zip: Sandy Springs, GA 30350

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# 849. North Fulton ARES Net, 9/6/2009, 8:30 pm

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2009-09-05 00:26:38 UTC
From: nfares@yahoogroups.com
Topic: 849  Message: 849

Reminder from: nfares Yahoo! Group
http://groups.yahoo.com/group/nfares/cal

North Fulton ARES Net
Sunday September 6, 2009
8:30 pm - 9:30 pm
(This event repeats every week.)
Location: 147.060 MHz (plus 600kHz) PL 100.0. Backup is 145.470 MHz (minus 600 kHz) PL 100.0

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# 850. NFARES 2-Meter Net Report, September 6, 2009

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2009-09-07 02:48:06 UTC
From: mike_ad4mc
Topic: 850  Message: 850

We had 11 check-ins for tonight's NFARES 2-meter net:

KG5WU, Wayne, Sandy Springs
K4YJI, Bill, East Cobb
KD9RU, Dave, Milton
AE4CW, Chuck, E.Cobb
W4QO, Jim, W. Roswell, Emergency Power
AJ4NT, Matt, Dunwoody, Emergency Power
K4KGA, Mike, Kennesaw, Emergency Power
KD4NKE, Shelia, Sandy Springs, Emergency Power, AEC
W5JR, Mike, Milton, Mobile
WB4NWS, Jim, Woodstock, AEC
AD4MC, Mike, Sandy Springs, Net Control, Emergency Power

W4QO, Jim, noted that a topic for the next NFARES meeting will the possible planning for a SET in October (1st weekend) and that
September 2nd was the celebration of the 140th birthday of Hiram Percy Maxim.

The next NFARES meeting will be on Tuesday, September 8th from 7:00 to 8:30 PM.
Location:
Sandy Springs City Council Chambers
Morgan Falls Office Park, 7840 Roswell Road Building 500
Sandy Springs, GA 30350

The net closed at 8: 42 PM local time.

73,

Mike
AD4MC
ad4mc@...
770-262-5212 cell

# 851. North Fulton County ARES Meeting, 9/8/2009, 7:00 pm

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2009-09-07 22:56:31 UTC
From: nfares@yahoogroups.com
Topic: 848  Message: 851

Reminder from: nfares Yahoo! Group
http://groups.yahoo.com/group/nfares/cal

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Tuesday September 8, 2009
7:00 pm - 8:30 pm
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City State Zip: Sandy Springs, GA 30350

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# 852. Final Opportunity to Register: HamCram Saturday, Oct 3rd

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2009-09-09 12:16:50 UTC
From: mccormick_mack
Topic: 852  Message: 852

The final date to register for the HamCram is this Friday, September 11th.

You may find details and register at www.nfarl.org/hamcram.html .

HamCram involves three weeks of pre-reading a study guide followed by a one day intensive class to earn your Technician license if you are not a ham. If you are already a ham you may follow a parallel program to earn your General class license. Cost $25 which includes the exam fee, lunch, and classroom handouts.

Please direct any questions to Mack at wb4mak@... .

73,

Mack de WB4MAK

# 853. Oregon installs WINLINK system

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2009-09-11 20:34:18 UTC
From: Jim Stafford
Topic: 853  Message: 853

From the ARRL Letter this week and we should use the quote attributed to him as outlined below when we speak on behalf of ARES/ham radio:

==> GOVERNOR'S $250,000 GRANT TO AMATEUR RADIO GOES ONLINE AS OREGON HAMS INSTALL NEW WINLINK SYSTEM

This month, Oregon ARES members will complete the state-wide installation of Winlink <http://www.winlink.org/>, thanks to a $250,000 grant from Governor Ted Kulongoski. In 2007, the governor was impressed by the hams' ability to handle emergency communications when severe winter storms wreaked havoc on Oregon's North Coast and flooded the City of Vernonia, knocking out 911 services, Internet and phone service for an extended period of time <http://www.arrl.org/news/stories/2007/12/05/100/>. The Oregon Office of Emergency Management said that during the storms, the radio operators were "tireless in their efforts to keep the systems connected." When even state police had difficulty reaching some of their own troops, ham radio worked, setting up networks so emergency officials could communicate and relaying lists of supplies needed in stricken areas.

"I'm going to tell you who the heroes were from the very beginning of this...the ham radio operators," the governor said at the time. "These people just came in and actually provided a tremendous communication link to us." Because of the service rendered by Amateur Radio operators in providing communications support, the governor allocated funds for the installation of a Winlink system to integrate Amateur Radio with the Internet.

The equipment will be installed in the Emergency Operating Center in each of Oregon's 36 counties. Once the monies were distributed, ARES members researched and purchased the equipment that would be needed, formalized and signed contracts between the state, counties and ARES, and allocated space to install the antennas and equipment within each EOC. The project is scheduled to be completed in time for the 2009 ARRL Simulated Emergency Test (SET) scheduled for October 3-4 <http://www.arrl.org/FandES/field/setguide.html>.

"Using Winlink equipment and other amateur equipment already in place at the EOCs, ARES teams will have to quickly create a communications network, in some instances without depending on other infrastructure such as telephones or Internet," said ARRL Oregon Section Public Information Coordinator Steve Sanders, KE7JSS. "Many will not use commercial electric power. Despite these limitations, the ARES teams should not only be able to quickly pass local messages, but also communicate with other regions of the country. The ability to pass information in and out of disaster areas is crucial to the effectiveness

of emergency responders."

When Oregon's State Office of Emergency Management was activated on December 3, 2007 <http://www.arrl.org/news/stories/2007/12/13/101/>, hams over the course of the next four days used Winlink to pass message traffic. "The Winlink system performed perfectly, and the ARES team at the OEM was able to pass approximately 200 messages into and out of the State of Oregon Emergency Operations Center," said Marion County ARES Emergency Coordinator Dean Davis, N7XG. "The only mode of communications for several Oregon counties for the first two days of the storm was the Winlink system."

# 854. North Fulton ARES Net, 9/13/2009, 8:30 pm

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2009-09-12 00:26:06 UTC
From: nfares@yahoogroups.com
Topic: 854  Message: 854

Reminder from: nfares Yahoo! Group
http://groups.yahoo.com/group/nfares/cal

North Fulton ARES Net
Sunday September 13, 2009
8:30 pm - 9:30 pm
(This event repeats every week.)
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# 855. NFARES Net for 9/13/09

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2009-09-14 00:58:12 UTC
From: Wayne Chapman
Topic: 855  Message: 855

12 check-ins tonight

KG5WU,Wayne
K4YJI,Bill
W4QO,Jim
N4JDO,Marty
KD9RU,Dave
KJ4MIJ,Clyde
AE4CW,Chuck
W4UOC,Tom
AJ4NT,Matt
KD4NKE,Shelia
N4BTA,Bret
K4WOQ,Eric

Announcements:
W4QO - NFARES SET will be held on Sunday, 10/25/2009 starting at 3p.
Next Tuesday will be the NFARL monthly meeting. We'll have an ARES table.

Net closed at 8:45p local time.

# 856. October Statewide SET and use of MT63-2000

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2009-09-17 00:23:22 UTC
From: w4uoc@aol.com
Topic: 856  Message: 856

I want to make you aware that Steve Garrison the District EC for our area has asked for our participation in the statewide SET on October 3, 2009 as well as increase check-ins to the Metro Atlanta ARES net which is held the first Sunday of every month at 4:00 p.m. on the Stone Mtn repeater 146.76 or the Atlanta Club repeater on 146.82 machine. As I will be out of town on October 3rd, it would be helpful if someone from our NFARES group would be willing to be acting EC for our Group and gather the reports from those that participate during our Sunday evening NFARES net and forward the reports to Steve. I am not currently set up for MT63-2000.

Tom Koch - W4UOC
EC - NFARES

Gentlemen,

Last Sunday was the Monthly Metro Atlanta District ARES Net. While I do understand that Sunday afternoons at 4:00PM is a tough time to participate in a net I still remain just a little bit disappointed in the lack of support from some of the counties. There are several counties that participate without fail, but other counties seem to never participate. All
ECs you need to really promote the Metro Net to you members. That way at least some of your folks can check into the net and at least your county will be represents instead of being so conspicuously absent.

From last week's NET most of you missed my announcement that at 9:00PM on every Sunday night in September I was going to be transmitting two template files to be used for reporting the activities during the upcoming SET.

At 9:00PM on each Sunday on the 146.76 repeater of the Alford Memorial Radio
Club I will transmit two template files. These two files are a template file for a regular ARES member to report to their EC their activity during the SET and a template file for the EC to send their report to the DEC of their groups activities during the SET.

I will be monitoring the 146.76 repeater all afternoon on Saturday Oct. 3, 2009 for the DEC report from as many of the ECs that can submit the report in that fashion. If you as the EC can not send the message via MT63-2000 you can have one of your other members send it for you.

I hope to hear from a good number of you on the 3rd.

Thanks,
Steve /N4SEG
_n4seg@..._ (mailto:n4seg@...)

# 857. September 29th ARES Meeting in Lawrenceville - Invitation

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2009-09-17 00:30:25 UTC
From: w4uoc@aol.com
Topic: 857  Message: 857

Gentlemen:
I have received this invitation from John Davis, WB4QDX the EC for the Gwinnett ARES group and I'm forwarding it to those NFARES members interested in attending this program.
Tom Koch - W4UOC
EC-NFARES
Gwinnett ARES has invited Charles Pennington (K4GK), our Section Traffic and Net Manager, to our September 29th ARES Meeting in Lawrenceville to present his program on Traffic Handling. We would like to extend an invitation to you and your ARES group to attend the meeting for this great program.
The meeting will begin at 7:00pm and is held at the Gwinnett Justice and Administration Center at 75 Langley Drive in Lawrenceville. If you plan on attending and can also provide some estimate of the number of folks coming from your group, I can make sure we have a large enough meeting room.
I hope you and any of your group will join us for a great program.
John Davis WB4QDX
Emergency Coordinator
Gwinnett ARES
770-310-8660 Cell
770-962-3689 Home
wb4qdx@...

# 858. GA-ARES SET. October 3, 2009

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2009-09-17 00:41:27 UTC
From: w4uoc@aol.com
Topic: 858  Message: 858

This is an announcement for those NFARES members that are interested in participating in the Georgia statewide ARES Simulated Emergency Test (SET). This should not be confused with the NFARES SET scheduled for October 25th. Emergency power or battery power is requested during the SET operations.
Tom Koch - W4UOC
EC - North Fulton ARES

_GA-ARES SET. October 3, 2009_ (http://gaares.org/ga-ares-news/?p=19)
All Georgia ARES members please place this date on your calendar. October 3 will be the date of the SET.(Simulated Emergency Test).
The information is as follows:
PROPOSED SET EXERCISE FOR OCTOBER 2009

The following schedule is planned:
The ARES Net will be active every two hours (Even numbered hours only) during daylight hours both Saturday and Sunday.
The net will be called on the following hours on a frequency of 3975 KHz: 10:00 AM, 12:00 noon, 2:00 PM, 4:00 PM, and 6:00 PM both days.
The ARES Digital Net will be called at 11:00 AM Saturday and 4:30 PM Sunday on the frequency of 3583 KHz using PSK31 to demonstrate digital modes.
The digital frequency may also be used at other times and modes upon demand.
The Georgia Single Sideband Net, Georgia Traffic Net, Georgia Traffic and Emergency Net, and Georgia State Net (GSN) will operate as normal schedule to handle any remaining traffic.
During the daylight hours the Statewide ARES Net may move to 40 meters (7275 KHz LSB) to test our operations on that frequency.
We will make an effort to use several different Net Control Stations (NCS) during the event to gain additional experience in that regard.
All Georgia amateurs are encouraged to participate in this years Simulated Emergency Test (S.E.T.). Good luck on this years Test!
Charles Pennington, K4GK
Section Traffic Manager
ARES Net Manager
Georgia Section

# 859. Break TAGS

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2009-09-17 12:44:58 UTC
From: Jim Stafford
Topic: 859  Message: 859

When I saw this in the ARRL eLETTER, I thought
"what the heck is this?" as I had never heard of the
term. But it all makes sense from the initial
portion of the CT newsletter:

http://ctarea3.net/blog/

Feel free to use them during the S.E.T.

jim/w4qo

# 860. Re: [nfares] October Statewide SET and use of MT63-2000

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2009-09-17 13:51:15 UTC
From: Jim Paine
Topic: 856  Message: 860

Tom,

I can check in on the 4:00 PM Sunday October 4 net on behalf of NFARES. I will also be net control for NFARES that night and I can send a report to Steve. I do have MT63-2000 capability. I can not do much on October 3 as I will be tied up all day with NFARL Ham Cram. I will have some time that evening for SET activities.

Jim Paine - N4SEC
Alpharetta EC

--- On Wed, 9/16/09, w4uoc@... <w4uoc@...> wrote:

From: w4uoc@... <w4uoc@...>
Subject: [nfares] October Statewide SET and use of MT63-2000
To: nfares@yahoogroups.com
Cc: n4seg@...
Date: Wednesday, September 16, 2009, 8:23 PM

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Thanks,
Steve /N4SEG
n4seg@comcast. net

# 861. Using Break Tags during ARES nets

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2009-09-17 15:00:42 UTC
From: w4uoc@aol.com
Topic: 861  Message: 861

_Break Tags_ (http://ctarea3.net/blog/?p=194)

When net communication gets heavy, someone may have a quick solution to a problem that is taking up too much valuable airtime for discussion, but can’t break into the net to share it. The use of “Break Tags” is the way to deal with such a scenario.
There are currently seven one-word Break Tags. They are: “answer,” “question,” “info,” “priority,” “medical,” “emergency” and your call sign by itself. Most of these tags have been used with great success in large public/emergency services nets. Here is how they work: Instead of saying “break” between transmissions during a directed net, the operator uses the word specified as a Break Tag with a call sign. They are to be used only when the operator’s traffic will be appreciated by net control and results in more efficient communication. They are to be used wisely, as net control is directed to stop and query the breaking station. The message that follows a break should be as short as possible. Make sure you know what you are going to say before using a break tag; some people can compose the transmission in their head, others will need to write the information down.
Here are the definitions and how they are used:
“Answer”:
To be used when you have the definitive answer to a question currently being discussed on the air.
“Question”:
To be used when the answer of a question can’t wait; for example, when the mayor is standing next to you and requesting you to get information using your radio.
“Info”:
To be used when information needs to be transmitted rapidly but is not related to what is being said on the air; for example, if an event that net control needs to know about is going to happen in the next few seconds or if waiting for the end of an exchange will negate the value of the information.
“Priority”:
To be used to report an important but non-life threatening situation such as a fender-bender that just happened.
“Medical”:
To be used to report a minor medical incident that affects the operator in some way; for example, having to leave his/her post for a few minutes to walk someone with a minor cut over to a med tent.
“Emergency”:
Only to be used to report an ongoing life or property threatening or damaging incident.
Your Call Sign:
Traditionally used as a break tag, but when used alone does not give the net control station the same amount of information that the other break tags

do.
“Announcement”:
Used to let net control know you have an announcement of general interest for the net.
“Contact”:
Used to let net control of your desire to make contact with a station after the net. Used primarily for “one on one” information that isn’t intended for the entire net.
“Traffic”:
Used when formal NTS or Incident Command System ICS-213 needs to be relayed to another station. Use this break tag during the Region 3 weekly ARES net to pass formal messages to another station. Net control will arrange to have a receiving station stand by after the net to receive any formal traffic.
Using “Break Tags” takes little training. Its use is contagious and comes very naturally. Other RACES/ARES groups around the country are using them with good results.

# 862. North Fulton ARES Net, 9/20/2009, 8:30 pm

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2009-09-19 00:25:50 UTC
From: nfares@yahoogroups.com
Topic: 862  Message: 862

Reminder from: nfares Yahoo! Group
http://groups.yahoo.com/group/nfares/cal

North Fulton ARES Net
Sunday September 20, 2009
8:30 pm - 9:30 pm
(This event repeats every week.)
Location: 147.060 MHz (plus 600kHz) PL 100.0. Backup is 145.470 MHz (minus 600 kHz) PL 100.0

Notes:
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# 863. FLDIGI Digital Modes for ARES

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2009-09-21 18:48:19 UTC
From: w4uoc@aol.com
Topic: 863  Message: 863

I would suggest that you go to the attached link and download FLdigi and load it on your computer. We will discuss how to use the program during the next NFARES net. You can send and receive digital transmissions with or without a hardware interface device. Several of us participated in a test of the system with Steve Garrison N4SEG on the W4BOC 146.76 repeater last Sunday evening. There are several in our NFARES organization that can help you set up the system. (W4UOC, W4QO, N4SEC)

_http://www.w1hkj.com/_ (http://www.w1hkj.com/)

If you have any questions be sure to ask for help.

73

Tom Koch - W4UOC
EC - North Fulton Amateur Radio Emergency Service (NFARES)

# 864. eHam review of FLdigi

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2009-09-21 18:52:37 UTC
From: w4uoc@aol.com
Topic: 864  Message: 864

_VK5ALX_ (http://www.eham.net/user/profile/VK5ALX) Rating: 5/5 Jun
14, 2009 06:55 _Send this review to a friend_
(http://www.eham.net/reviews/mailto/81514) the new benchmark Time owned: 0 to 3 months
I've used
"MixW" for a long time but have never been fully comfortable with its user
interface and complex functionality which has remained static over the years.

I came across "fldigi" by accident and almost didn't give it a try. After
all, a program so small with such a clean and uncluttered layout had to be
short in features - Boy was I wrong.

The main program is just on 6.7MB and requires no special installation.
Unlike "DM780", the digital modes module which is part of the Ham Radio
Deluxe suite, there's no waiting forever for it to start while showing pictures
of the author and his dog. "Fldidi" is up and decoding in a flash. It talks
to my FT2000 without having to first load the HRD bloatware.

What I did initially miss was the "DM780" feature where you could hover
the mouse cursor over signals on the waterfall to get a mini readout of
activity. Then I found that "fldigi" came with a dropdown psk monitor which
decodes and displays in a tickertape format up to 20 signals within the current
passband. A simple click on the tickertape and the main window is
automatically set to the signal.
And, keeping a record of a contact is made easier too. Double click on a
callsign and it's automatically entered into the log. Do the same on a name
and it's entered in the correct log field. Same with received RST, city,
gridsquare. It doesn't always work but the success rate is extremely high.
Macros are so easy to set up and use that a qso can almost be had without
touching the keyboard.

The MixW and DM780 shortcut icons are now missing from my desktop. Give
"fldigi" a try.

# 865. Lake Lanier Level

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2009-09-21 19:19:40 UTC
From: Jim Stafford
Topic: 865  Message: 865

Not sure what it has to do with ARES but it's about the weather...

I keep an eye on Lake Lanier level.

http://lanier.uslakes.info/Level.asp

It has been curious over the first few days of last week, the
level did not change while I was getting 4 inches of rain at my house.

I have not gotten over 13 inches since a week ago Sunday. And
now the lake is showing some signs of rising. It's gone up over 7"
since midnite.

jim/w4qo

# 866. North Fulton ARES Net Results for 9/20/2009

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2009-09-22 02:19:08 UTC
From: sstaton@mindspring.com
Topic: 866  Message: 866

The results of the North Fulton ARES Net for 9/20/09 are as follows:

There were 11 check-ins which included:

W4UOC Tom
N4JDO Marty
W4QO Jim
K4YJI Bill
KG5WU Wayne
AD4MC Mike
N4SEC Jim
AJ4NT Matt
N4BTA Brett
WB4NWS Jim
KD4NKE Shelia (Net Control)

Many thanks to Wayne KG5WU for taking on a majority of the club's record-keeping responsibilities for maintenance of the State ARES database.

Jim W4QU reminded of the SET on 10/25 from 3-6 p.m. 25-30 people are needed for this exercise. Please contact Jim to volunteer.

Welcome back Brett, N4BTA. It's good to have you back with the group!

Of note, the majority of everyone who checked in did so on emergency power. Thank you for making sure that your backup power was working well. If the rain doesn't stop, we may need that capability.

The net ended at 8:49 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Shelia
KD4NKE
AEC City of Sandy Springs

# 867. North Fulton ARES Net, 9/27/2009, 8:30 pm

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2009-09-26 00:25:47 UTC
From: nfares@yahoogroups.com
Topic: 867  Message: 867

Reminder from: nfares Yahoo! Group
http://groups.yahoo.com/group/nfares/cal

North Fulton ARES Net
Sunday September 27, 2009
8:30 pm - 9:30 pm
(This event repeats every week.)
Location: 147.060 MHz (plus 600kHz) PL 100.0. Backup is 145.470 MHz (minus 600 kHz) PL 100.0

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# 868. ARES 2-Meter Net

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2009-09-28 16:56:16 UTC
From: David Hazell KD9RU
Topic: 868  Message: 868

The following stations participated in the 9-27-09 ARES net:

1. K4HBI MIKE
2. AF4FO SUSAN
3. KY4YJI BILL
4. N4JDO MARTY
5. N4SEC JIM
6. KA3QXB PAUL
7. KJ4MIJ CLYDE
8. AJ4NT MATT
9. N4BTA BRETT
10. W4QO JIM
11. KG5WU WAYNE
12. KD4NKE SHEILA
13. KD9RU DAVE - Net Control

DISCUSSION

* Stations were reminded that a Simulated Emergency Test (SET) is scheduled for October 25th.
* The fldigi software program is available free of charge on the internet.
* AF4FO Susan was commended for her outstanding service as ARRL Georgia Section Manager.

The net closed at 8:47pm local time.

# 869. Re:ARES 2-Meter Net

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2009-09-29 14:03:42 UTC
From: ad4mc@arrl.net
Topic: 868  Message: 869

Sorry that I couldn't make the Net last night.

Try fldigi. You'll like it !!

73,

Mike
AD4MC
ad4mc@...
770-262-5212 cell

Mike Cohen | +1 770 557 4630

# 870. North Fulton ARES Net, 10/4/2009, 8:30 pm

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2009-10-03 00:28:45 UTC
From: nfares@yahoogroups.com
Topic: 870  Message: 870

Reminder from: nfares Yahoo! Group
http://groups.yahoo.com/group/nfares/cal

North Fulton ARES Net
Sunday October 4, 2009
8:30 pm - 9:30 pm
(This event repeats every week.)
Location: 147.060 MHz (plus 600kHz) PL 100.0. Backup is 145.470 MHz (minus 600 kHz) PL 100.0

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# 871. S.E.T. Frequencies

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2009-10-03 02:19:51 UTC
From: Jim Stafford
Topic: 871  Message: 871

This was a handout at the last NFARL
meeting but so we have it
handy, here is the list of frequencies
we plan to use for the upcoming
S.E.T. on October 25 at 3PM.

If you plan to participate, please
have all of them loaded into your
equipment, especially 443.150 (no PL).

NFARL ARES Freqs.

147.06+ PL 100 - Alt. Area Net

443.150 + no PL - Areawide Net

145.47- PL 100 - Back Up

444.475+ PL 100 - Milton/Alpharetta/Johns Creek

444.150+ PL 100 - Roswell/Sandy Springs

146.46 Simplex - Milton

146.49 Simplex - Sandy Springs

146.55 Simplex - Johns Creek

146.58 Simplex - Alpharetta

147.555 Simplex - Roswell

# 872. ARES Net October 4, 2009

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2009-10-05 18:50:57 UTC
From: Jim_Paine
Topic: 872  Message: 872

NFARES Check-ins and Notes October 4, 2009 Net

Check-ins

W4UOC Tom Sandy Springs
K4YJI Bill E. Cobb
N4JDO Marty E Cobb
KD9RU Dave Milton
WB4MAK Mack Milton
KJ4HCC Susan Dunwoody
KG5WU Wayne Sandy Springs
AJ4NT Matt Dunwoody
W4QO Jim W Roswell
N4ZAZ Randy Alpharetta
N4BTA Brett Alpharetta
KJ4HCB Paul Dunwoody
K4HBI Mike Norcross
AF4FO Susan Norcross
WB4NWS Jim Cherokee County
KJ4MIJ Clyde Dunwoody
KJ4MIJ Ed E Cobb
N4SEC Jim Alpharetta Net Control Station

Total 18 Check-ins

Topics discussed: Jim W4QO NFARES advised that the S.E.T. is Scheduled for 3:00 PM Sunday October 25. Scenario is a tornado. Practice message exchange was conducted by Jim, W4QO and Wayne KG5WU. Message form for the S.E.T. is available at: http://tinyurl.com/yckjyj8

The net closed at 9:03 PM

Several members remained on the 147.060 repeater testing Fldigi and Wrap using MT-63/2000 digital mode

Submitted by Jim Paine N4SEC

# 873. North Fulton County ARES Meeting, 10/13/2009, 7:00 pm

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2009-10-06 22:55:45 UTC
From: nfares@yahoogroups.com
Topic: 873  Message: 873

Reminder from: nfares Yahoo! Group
http://groups.yahoo.com/group/nfares/cal

North Fulton County ARES Meeting
Tuesday October 13, 2009
7:00 pm - 8:30 pm
(This event repeats every month on the second Tuesday.)
(The next reminder for this event will be sent in 6 days, 4 minutes.)
Location: Sandy Springs City Council Chambers
Street: Morgan Falls Office Park, 7840 Roswell Road Building 500
City State Zip: Sandy Springs, GA 30350

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# 874. Fw: Cherokee Cnty ARES Newsleter 10-2009

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2009-10-07 19:26:01 UTC
From: Jim Stafford
Topic: 874  Message: 874
Attachments: 1 described; binary payloads are missing from this source WARC

Here is a newsletter from Cherokee ARES and their SET this past weekend.  Ours is October 25 although W4UOC advises that No Fulton was represented in the statewide SET last weekend.  Thought you'd all like to see what this group did/does.  Their net is on Monday at 8PM on 443.075 as per their newsletter.

W4QO Jim Stafford www.w4qo.com QRP - When you care enough to send the very least!

--- On Tue, 10/6/09, WB4NWS Jim Millsap <wb4nws@bellsouth.net> wrote:

From: WB4NWS Jim Millsap <wb4nws@...>
Subject: Cherokee Cnty ARES Newsleter 10-2009
To: wb4nws@...
Date: Tuesday, October 6, 2009, 11:58 PM

Please see attached October Cherokee County ARES
newsletter and thanks to everyone who made this year's SET such a
success.
Jim Millsap
WB4NWS
Cherokee ARES AEC

# 875. NFARES Simulated Emergency Test - October 25, 2009

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2009-10-08 15:45:30 UTC
From: w4uoc@aol.com
Topic: 875  Message: 875
Attachments: 1 described; binary payloads are missing from this source WARC

NFARES Simulated Emergency Test - October 25, 2009

North Fulton Amateur Radio Emergency Service Members (NFARE) and all North Fulton
Amateur Radio League (NFARL) members are invited and encouraged to help with the
upcoming 2009 Simulated Emergency Test (SET) scheduled for October 25, 2009 between
the hours of 3:00 and 6:00 p.m.
As you can see from the diagram of the exercise we will be establishing multiple communications
networks to cover the five cities in North Fulton county as well as the Fire/Rescue, Police, hospitals
and potential shelters that might be utilized during a real emergency.
We are looking for volunteers to establish VHF/UHF analog and digital communications sites as
follows:
Alpharetta - 6 Fire Stations, 1 Police station, 1 Hospital and 1 shelter for a total of 9 locations.
Milton - 3 Fires Stations, 1 Police headquarters and 1 shelter for a total of 5 locations.
Johns Creek - 3 Fire Stations, 1 Police headquarters, 1 hospital and 1 shelter for a total of 5 locations.
Roswell - 7 Fire Stations, 1 Police headquarters, 1 hospital and 1 shelter for a total of 10 locations.
Sandy Springs - 4 Fire Stations, 1 Police headquarters, 1 hospital and 1 shelter for a total of 7 locations.
As you can see we need approximately 40 volunteers to successfully conduct this exercise. Volunteers will need to provide their own communications equipment, with at a minimum, two meter VHF analog capabilities.
Additional information on the mission and plans for this exercise will be discussed at the October 13th NFARES meeting which will be held at the Sandy Springs City Office Complex at 7:00 p.m. and at the next NFARL meeting scheduled for October 20, 2009 at the Roswell Masonic Temple. Jim Stafford W4QO and a team of NFARES members prepared the plan and will assist in the coordination of the exercise. Be sure to sign-up for a slot and help with these Emergency Preparedness efforts. Remember, no experience is necessary to participate. Think of it only as a training and learning experience.
Tom Koch - W4UOC
Emergency Coordinator - North Fulton Amateur Radio Emergency Service ( NFARES)

# 876. Antenna Installations at Sandy Springs Fire Stations

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2009-10-09 16:53:05 UTC
From: w4uoc@aol.com
Topic: 876  Message: 876

During the next few weeks and hopefully before our upcoming NFARES SET I am in need of some help to install four VHF/UHV vertical antennas on four Sandy Springs Fire Stations. Two may be mounted on existing towers adjacent to stations #2 and #4, thus I am need of someone with the proper safety equipment to climb those towers, estimated to be 40ft. The other stations will have the antennas mounted on flat roofs.

If you are interested in helping please let me know at _w4uoc@..._ (mailto:w4uoc@...) or via my cell 404-314-6109.

Tom Koch - W4UOC
EC - NFARES

# 877. North Fulton ARES Net, 10/11/2009, 8:30 pm

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2009-10-10 00:25:50 UTC
From: nfares@yahoogroups.com
Topic: 877  Message: 877

Reminder from: nfares Yahoo! Group
http://groups.yahoo.com/group/nfares/cal

North Fulton ARES Net
Sunday October 11, 2009
8:30 pm - 9:30 pm
(This event repeats every week.)
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# 878. NFARES Sunday night net for 10/11/09

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2009-10-12 01:03:21 UTC
From: Wayne Chapman
Topic: 878  Message: 878

15 check-ins

KG5WU,Wayne
W4UOC,Tom
WB4MAK,Mack
KD9RU,Dave
N4SEC,Jim
AJ4NT,Matt
KA3QXB,Paul
AD4MC,Mike
N4BTA,Bret
KC4YBO,Steve
KJ4HCB,Paul
KJ4HCC,Susan
K4HBI,Mike
AF4FO,Susan
KE4ZX,Jim

Tom,W4UOC-John K3WNL, SS FS #2 & #4, towers, terminated hardline, 1.1 / 1.2 SWR on 2m, work on 440, 5w or less, works fine, don't need antenna during SET

Jim,N4SEC-W5JR and WB4MAK worked on the repeater yesterday. Sounds great!

Tom,W4UOC-use Ft.Mountain for D-STAR during SET

Closed the net at 8:46p local time.

# 879. North Fulton County ARES Meeting, 10/13/2009, 7:00 pm

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2009-10-12 22:56:54 UTC
From: nfares@yahoogroups.com
Topic: 873  Message: 879

Reminder from: nfares Yahoo! Group
http://groups.yahoo.com/group/nfares/cal

North Fulton County ARES Meeting
Tuesday October 13, 2009
7:00 pm - 8:30 pm
(This event repeats every month on the second Tuesday.)
Location: Sandy Springs City Council Chambers
Street: Morgan Falls Office Park, 7840 Roswell Road Building 500
City State Zip: Sandy Springs, GA 30350

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# 880. Webinar for Amateur Radio Operator disaster planning & response

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2009-10-14 12:11:34 UTC
From: Jim_Paine
Topic: 880  Message: 880

From: Jim Paine N4SEC

This message originated from Lt. Gary Robinson, Director of the Alpharetta CERT program:

From: Kim Buike [mailto:kimb@preparednesswebinars.org]
Sent: Tuesday, October 13, 2009 7:25 PM
To: Robinson, Gary
Subject: Webinar for Amateur Radio Operator disaster planning & response

Do you work with Amateur Radio Operators when responding to emergencies? Are you an Amateur Radio Operator yourself? If you answered "Yes" to either question, I would like to invite you to a complimentary webinar that demonstrates how new mapping technology can enhance the disaster planning and response capabilities of Amateur Radio Operators.

I will be hosting the webinar and will be joined by guest presenter David Friedman, KE7GOY, an Amateur Radio Operator, Disaster Response Director for Muttshack Animal Rescue and an American Red Cross Volunteer. During last year's winter floods, David used Depiction mapping and simulation software to coordinate rescue operations during the 2008 winter floods in the Seattle area, and he has described that experience in the November 2009 edition of QST magazine.

We are offering this webinar twice, on Wednesday, October 21 at 1 PM EDT/10 AM PDT, and then on Saturday, October 24, at 12:30 PM EDT/8:30 AM PDT.

During each of these webinars, Amateur Radio Operators and others will learn how to:
Geo-locate all physical assets and volunteers in "depictions" to track deployment locations,
Integrate maps, elevation plots, weather data, "fly over" imagery, situation reports and any critical proprietary data into a single depiction display,
"Depict" antenna line-of-site footprints to help determine geographic frequency allocation,
Use Depiction's "Live reports" communication feature to enhance awareness of volunteer movements, resource status, damage assessments, etc. during a disaster,
This special webinar will benefit anyone who works with amateur radio during emergencies; participants need not have any familiarity with Depiction mapping software to benefit from the webinar scenario illustrations and discussion.

You are encouraged to share this free webinar invitation with any Amateur Radio Operators you may know or work with.

All the best,

Kim Buike

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This message is sent on behalf of Depiction, Inc., 3305 Oakes Ave., Everett, WA 98201. If you would prefer not to receive any further solicitations from PreparednessWebinars.org,

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# 881. Johns Creek Now Available on RadioReference.com

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2009-10-14 14:59:08 UTC
From: chuck@virtualdaley.com
Topic: 881  Message: 881

http://www.radioreference.com/apps/audio/?action=wp
<http://www.radioreference.com/apps/audio/?action=wp&feedId=2520>
&feedId=2520

Other Fulton County services here
<http://www.radioreference.com/apps/audio/?ctid=442> .

Chuck

KD4LXQ

# 882. Additional Webinar link information

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2009-10-14 21:57:58 UTC
From: Jim Paine
Topic: 882  Message: 882

All,

Sorry the underlined links did not copy during the cut and paste. Here are the links for the Webinars:

Wednesday Oct 21 is: https://www1.gotomeeting.com/register/940472729

Saturday Oct 24 is: https://www1.gotomeeting.com/register/446997793

Regards,

Jim Paine - N4SEC

# 883. Re:Webinar for Amateur Radio Operator disaster planning & response

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2009-10-14 22:06:24 UTC
From: ad4mc@arrl.net
Topic: 880  Message: 883

Jim,

How do we sign up for this webinar?

73,

Mike

AD4MC

ad4mc@...

770-262-5212 cell

# 884. NFARES SET (Simulated Emergency Test) Sunday, October 25 from 3-6 PM

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2009-10-15 01:32:34 UTC
From: MikeC
Topic: 884  Message: 884

During Monday's NFARES meeting, Wayne, KG5WU, and Mike, AD4MC, presented the team's plans for our upcoming SET. We tried to fill in for Jim (W4QO), Tom (W4UOC) and Jim (N4SEC), who all had commitments that kept them from this meeting. As Chuck, AE4CW, said, "That just proves that we have depth." The information presented at the meeting can now be viewed on the NFARL website, thanks to the efforts of our webmaster, Bill (K4YJJ).

http://www.nfarl.org/ares/SET2009.html

In addition to the SET PowerPoint slides, you can view instructions on how to fill out and better understand the ARRL Message Format (NTS - National Traffic Services forms) and you can also learn all you want/need to know about a free digital mode software package called "fldigi". If time permits during the SET, some of us may even try to send some digital messages using MT63-2000 with fldigi, D-STAR with D-RATS and Winlink by "Airmail".

We still have 18 locations available for you to serve. All of the site locations are listed on the above linked web page. Please let us know if you can join us by contacting Jim (w4qo@...), Wayne (kg5wu@...), Mike (ad4mc@...) or by replying to this Yahoo Group. Note that you do not have to be an ARES member to join us. Even though the name of this exercise is Simulated Emergency Test, this is "test" that you simply cannot fail. To quote Jim, W4QO, "Good luck and have fun. There are no mistakes! Do the best you can."

73,

Mike
AD4MC
ad4mc@...
770-262-5212 cell

# 885. North Fulton ARES Net, 10/18/2009, 8:30 pm

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2009-10-17 00:25:48 UTC
From: nfares@yahoogroups.com
Topic: 885  Message: 885

Reminder from: nfares Yahoo! Group
http://groups.yahoo.com/group/nfares/cal

North Fulton ARES Net
Sunday October 18, 2009
8:30 pm - 9:30 pm
(This event repeats every week.)
Location: 147.060 MHz (plus 600kHz) PL 100.0. Backup is 145.470 MHz (minus 600 kHz) PL 100.0

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# 886. Simulated Emergency Test, 10/25/2009, 3:00 pm

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2009-10-17 19:04:00 UTC
From: nfares@yahoogroups.com
Topic: 886  Message: 886

Reminder from: nfares Yahoo! Group
http://groups.yahoo.com/group/nfares/cal

Simulated Emergency Test
Sunday October 25, 2009
3:00 pm - 6:00 pm
Location: Covering all of North Fulton

Notes:
Volunteers will cover Fire stations, hospitals, and shelters and respond to a mock disaster.

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# 887. NFARES net for Oct 18, 2009

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2009-10-19 00:57:39 UTC
From: Matthew Garland
Topic: 887  Message: 887

There were 10 check-ins to this evening's net:

Tom, w4uoc
Jim, n4sec
Jim, w4qo
Bill, k4yji
Marty, n4jdo
Eric, kj6erp
Clyde, kj4mij
Mike, ad4mc
Karl, kg4oyr
Matt, aj4nt

Mike (ad4mc) solicited volunteers for the upcoming Simulated Emergency Test (SET) next Sunday, Oct 25, from 3pm-6pm local time. There is still room for up to 18 additional volunteers!

Tom (w4uoc) inquired whether the repeater output was scratchy for others or just for him. Mike (ad4mc) confirmed that he was experiencing the same noise.

The net closed at 8:45pm local time.

73 de aj4nt

# 888. Have You Always Wanted to Ask the Doctor a Question?

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2009-10-19 17:52:24 UTC
From: mccormick_mack
Topic: 888  Message: 888

Well, the Doctor is in! That's Joel Hallas, W1ZR, the technical editor of QST and author of the "Doctor is In" column each month.

If you have a technical question you'd like Joel to answer during his presentation to the radio clubs in Atlanta then please send it to me via private email: wb4mak@nfarl.org . Any ham radio technical question is OK but it should allow for a short answer of five minutes or less. Joel has said he may use your question in an upcoming issue of QST. You could be famous! Please send your questions to me by Friday, Oct 30th.

Please join hams from around the local area as we host Joel for a very special joint club meeting on Thursday, Nov 19th, at 7:30 PM at the Roswell City Hall. There will be plenty of seating for everyone. http://www.nfarl.org/pdf/Joel_Hallas.pdf

We hope you'll join us for this very special meeting as we extend warm Southern hospitality to Joel as he joins us from ARRL HQ in CT.

Oh, by the way, you'll have a chance to win a Yaesu FT-857D, at the meeting.
http://tinyurl.com/8tgol6

73,

Mack de WB4MAK

# 889. NFARES SET (Simulated Emergency Test) Sunday, October 25 from 3-6 PM

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2009-10-20 12:59:50 UTC
From: MikeC
Topic: 884  Message: 889

During last weeks's NFARES meeting, Wayne, KG5WU, and Mike, AD4MC, presented the team's plans for our upcoming SET. We tried to fill in for Jim (W4QO), Tom(W4UOC) and Jim (N4SEC), who all had commitments that kept them from this meeting. As Chuck, AE4CW, said, "That just proves that we have depth." The information presented at the meeting can now be viewed on the NFARL website, thanks to the efforts of our webmaster, Bill (K4YJJ).

http://www.nfarl.org/ares/SET2009.html

In addition to the SET PowerPoint slides, you can view instructions on how to fill out and better understand the ARRL Message Format (NTS - National Traffic Services forms) and you can also learn all you want/need to know about a free digital mode software package called "fldigi". If time permits during the SET,some of us may even try to send some digital messages using MT63-2000 with fldigi, D-STAR with D-RATS and Winlink by "Airmail".

We still have some locations available for you to serve. All of the site locations are listed on the above linked web page. Please let us know if you can join us by contacting Jim (w4qo@...), Wayne (kg5wu@...), Mike (ad4mc@...) or by replying to this Yahoo Group. Note that you do not have to be an ARES member to join us. Even though the name of this exercise is Simulated Emergency Test, this is "test" that you simply cannot fail. To quote Jim, W4QO, "Good luck and have fun. There are no mistakes! Do the best you can."

73,

Mike
AD4MC
ad4mc@...
770-262-5212 cell

# 890. Lost and found?

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2009-10-21 02:21:04 UTC
From: Matthew Garland
Topic: 890  Message: 890

Did any of the last folks out of tonight's meeting happen to pick up
the gray jacket I left on my chair?

If so, please reply directly to me (aj4nt@...) or give me a call
(404.456.0000), and I'll arrange to pick it up from you.

Thanks and 73,
Matt AJ4NT

# 891. NFARL / NFARES Simulated Emergency Test - October 25, 2009 3-6pm

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2009-10-23 16:52:22 UTC
From: MikeC
Topic: 891  Message: 891

NORTH FULTON ARL NEEDS YOU to help us with the 2009 Simulated Emergency Test

We already have 30 volunteers to work at police stations, fire stations, hospitals and shelters in five North Fulton cities, but we still need 14 more volunteers to fully demonstrate - When All Else Fails Amateur Radio. Note that you do not have to be an ARES member to join us. The remaining locations that need YOU are Alpharetta (6), Milton (2), Johns Creek (1) and Roswell (5). All seven Sandy Springs locations are covered. You can see the latest list of Locations and Assignments at:

http://nfarl.org/ares/SET2009.html

The NFARL site also has other useful information relating to this SET. In addition to the SET PowerPoint slides, you can view instructions on how to fill out and better understand the ARRL Message Format (NTS - National Traffic Services forms) and you can also learn all you want/need to know about a free digital mode software package called "fldigi". If time permits during the SET, some of us may even try to send some digital messages using MT63-2K with fldigi, D-STAR with D-RATS and Winlink by "Airmail".

Please let us know if you can join us by contacting Tom(W4UOC), Jim(w4qo@...), Jim(jim_paine@...), Wayne(kg5wu@...), Mike(ad4mc@arrl.net) or by replying to this Yahoo Group.

Even though the name of this exercise is Simulated Emergency Test, this is a "test" that you simply cannot fail. To quote Jim, W4QO, "Good luck and have fun. There are no mistakes! Do the best you can."

73,

Mike
AD4MC
ad4mc@...
770-262-5212 cell

# 892. Ham Radio Volunteers needed - Atlanta Marathon and Half Marathon - Thanksgiving Day November 26, 2009

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2009-10-23 20:42:39 UTC
From: David Ziskind, KE4QLH
Topic: 892  Message: 892

Dear fellow amateur,

Thanksgiving is just around the corner, and so is the traditional Atlanta Marathon and Half Marathon on Thanksgiving Day (Thursday November 26, 2009).

The Atlanta Track Club has once again requested assistance from the Atlanta amateur radio community.

The time commitment varies, but even the longest assignment will have you home in plenty of time for a Thanksgiving dinner. Most assignments are in the 6am to 11am range. Some are also available earlier. Generally we wrap up by 12:30pm. The shortest assignment will finish in less than 2 hours. Please let me know if you have any schedule restrictions and I'll work to find something that can meet our schedules.

Positions available include 10 aid stations (spread out along the course, from Peachtree Industrial in Chamblee, down Peachtree, to Turner Field), pace car for the full and half marathon (ride along and report on top runners), and SAG wagons (respond to ride requests and help coordinate locations on the course).

If you're ready to sign up, you can do so online:
<http://www.doitsports.com/volunteer2/info.tcl?job_id=24976808>

This year, all volunteers are being presented with a "red windbreaker jacket with the ATC logo embroidered in white on the chest. They are hooded, full zip and even have a reflective strip on either side of the zipper." Check out <http://www.atlantatrackclub.org/> for a picture.

If you have any questions, please contact me. Otherwise, please sign up online at <http://www.doitsports.com/volunteer2/info.tcl?job_id=24976808>. Once I receive your sign-up, I'll be in touch shortly to discuss available positions.

Please pass this along to others who may be interested. I hope to see you out there on Thanksgiving Day!

73,
David Ziskind KE4QLH
ke4qlh@...
404-966-6864

# 893. North Fulton ARES Net, 10/25/2009, 8:30 pm

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2009-10-24 00:26:02 UTC
From: nfares@yahoogroups.com
Topic: 893  Message: 893

Reminder from: nfares Yahoo! Group
http://groups.yahoo.com/group/nfares/cal

North Fulton ARES Net
Sunday October 25, 2009
8:30 pm - 9:30 pm
(This event repeats every week.)
Location: 147.060 MHz (plus 600kHz) PL 100.0. Backup is 145.470 MHz (minus 600 kHz) PL 100.0

Notes:
Please remember that both repeaters now require a PL tone of 100.0 Hz

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# 894. NFARES - FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2009-10-25 02:53:30 UTC
From: w4uoc@aol.com
Topic: 894  Message: 894

FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE
October 24, 2009

Contact:
David Coursey, N5FDL
(mailto:n5fdl@...) (mailto:n5fdl@...) _n5fdl@..._
(mailto:n5fdl@...)

ARPC Files Petition to Amend 97.113: WB6NOA, N5GAR & N5FDL Seek Changes Allowing Volunteers and Professionals to Train Together

October 24, 2009 -- The Amateur Radio Policy Committee today released a copy of its Petition for Rule Making recently filed with the Federal Communications Commission.

The petition seeks changes necessary to allow amateur radio operators who are also paid emergency responders to participate in on-the-air emergency training exercises. The FCC recently stated that such activities--which had been taking place for many years--violate Part 97.113(a) of its rules and must be stopped.

Part 97.113 states that amateur radio operators may not communicate on behalf of their employer, even if it is a fire department, hospital, law enforcement, or a disaster relief charity, except during actual emergencies.

That means on a day-to-day basis that these professionals are prohibited from participating in on-air training exercises or even casual on-air conversations about their agency's emergency programs. Thus, hams working for an emergency management agency cannot participate in the agency's on-air training events with agency volunteer ham operators.

The Amateur Radio Policy Committee was formed to seek changes to FCC rules and put an end to this nonsense. Emergency responders should be able to train with their volunteers without needless interference from the FCC.

The committee consists of well-known amateur radio author Gordon West, WB6NOA; former North Texas ARRL Section Manager Tom Blackwell, N5GAR; and San Joaquin County (CA) ARES Coordinator David Coursey, N5FDL.

The petition proposes a change to Part 97.111 which describes communications permitted in the Amateur Radio Service. The proposed new language would make legal the following:

(6) Transmissions necessary for disaster relief or emergency response, including training exercises, planning, drills or tests, without regard to whether the amateur operator has related employment, where the transmissions are for the exclusive use of amateur radio operators for noncommercial purposes.

The petition also proposes minor wording changes to 97.113 to make it consistent with the suggested new language.

A copy of the petition may be downloaded from (http://n5fdl.com/) _N5FDL.com_ (http://n5fdl.com/) , which also includes much additional information about this controversy.

More details here...

(http://n5fdl.com/) (http://n5fdl/) _http://n5fdl_ (http://n5fdl/) .com/

Text of the petition...

(http://n5fdl.com/storage/ARPC%20Part%2097%20Petition%20Final.pdf) (http://n5fdl/) _http://n5fdl_ (http://n5fdl/) .com/storage/ARPC%20Part%2097%20Petition%20Final.pdf

# 895. NFARL/NFARES PACKET STATION ON 145.030 SIMPLEX

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2009-10-26 19:50:55 UTC
From: w4uoc@aol.com
Topic: 895  Message: 895

I JUST WANTED TO ADVISE YOU THAT I HAVE INSTALLED A VHF PACKET STATION AT THE SANDY SPRINGS EOC. TO ACCESS THE PACKET BULLITIN BOARD (PBBS) CONNECT TO W4UOC-1. ENTER THE (H)ELP SCREEN AND YOU WILL QUICKLY RECOGNIZE HOW TO (S)END A MESSAGE, (R)EAD A MESSAGE OR (K)ILL A MESSAGE. HAVE FUN AND LEARN ABOUT AN OLD DIGITAL MODE THAT STILL WORKS WELL. WE ALSO HAVE THE ABILITY WITH THIS SYSTEM TO RECEIVE AND SEND EMAIL MESSSGES USING WINLINK. LET ME KNOW HOW IT WORKS FOR YOU.

73

TOM KOCH -W4UOC

# 896. 10 pack on dual band arrow j poles?

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2009-10-27 01:43:13 UTC
From: Jim Stafford
Topic: 896  Message: 896

K4ESA says he has great success with this antenna:

http://www.arrowantennas.com/j-pole.html

Although it's $39, they have a 10 pack for $300.

Can we get enough interest for the NF ARES members?

I'd like to see a clever way to tie a small rope to it and pull
it up into a tree!

jim/w4qo

# 897. ARES NET Oct.25

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2009-10-27 17:25:32 UTC
From: David Hazell KD9RU
Topic: 897  Message: 897

The following stations participated in the Sunday October 25, 2009 ARES net.
An "E" following the stations call-sign indicates the station operated on
emergency power.

1. W4UOC [E] Tom

2. N4SEC [E] Jim

3. K4YJI [E] Bill

4. KC4YBO[E] Steve

5. W4GKD Gary

6. WB4MAK Mack

7. AE4CW Chuck

8. KD4NKE[E] Shelia

9. W4QO [E] Jim

10. KA3QXB Paul

11. AD4MC [E] Mike

12. AJ4NT Matt

13. N4BTA [E] Brett

14. KG5WU [E] Wayne

15. KJ4HCB Paul

16. KC4HCC Susan

17. KI4YDJ [E] Dan

18. Kj4JEY Mark

19. W4JWC John

20. W7FB Dave

21. W5JR Mike

22. KJ4BQX Ken

23. W4GKD Gary

24. W4COR Len

25. N4MPB Karen

26. KD9RU Dave (Net Control)

Commentary:

November ARES Net Control roster by week:

1. AJ4NT-Matt

2. KG5WU-Wayne

3. KD4NKE-Shelia

4. KD9RU-Dave

5. KD4NKE-Shelia

The regular ARES net was moved from the 147.06 repeater to the 145.47 repeater due to QRM/QRN rendering communication difficult to impossible.

Numerous stations provided constructive comments concerning the SET exercise. Overall the consensus was that the exercise went well. Kudos to the planning committee for their hard work! Data from the exercise will be collected and analyzed and provide a basis for additional learning experiences.

Wayne KG5WU reminded Net Control stations to submit their check-in logs and their traffic logs.

The net closed at 9:17 PM local time.

# 898. North Fulton ARES Net, 11/1/2009, 8:30 pm

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2009-10-31 01:26:38 UTC
From: nfares@yahoogroups.com
Topic: 898  Message: 898

Reminder from: nfares Yahoo! Group
http://groups.yahoo.com/group/nfares/cal

North Fulton ARES Net
Sunday November 1, 2009
8:30 pm - 9:30 pm
(This event repeats every week.)
Location: 147.060 MHz (plus 600kHz) PL 100.0. Backup is 145.470 MHz (minus 600 kHz) PL 100.0

Notes:
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# 899. North Fulton ARES net for 1 Nov 2009

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2009-11-02 04:46:14 UTC
From: Matthew Garland
Topic: 899  Message: 899

Tonight's net had 16 check-ins:

1. w4uoc Tom
2. w4cng Steve
3. kg5wu Wayne
4. k4yji Bill
5. n4sec Jim
6. ad4mc Mike
7. kj4hcc Susan
8. kd9ru Dave
9. ae4cw Chuck
10. w4qo Jim
11. kj4mij Clyde
12. kj4hcb Paul
13. ki4ydj Dan
14. kc4ybo Steve
15. kj4jey Mark
16. aj4nt Matt (net control)

Wayne (kg5wu) reported preliminary results from the NFARES SET: 29 check-ins, 16 agency contacts, 14 new licensees participated, and 35 messages originated and received.

Tom (w4uoc) announced that we will review the SET at the next NFARES meeting (Nov 10). He also discussed the possibility of joint operations with CERT in damage assessments for Sandy Springs Fire and Rescue, and the possibility of EMCOMM support to the Georgia Defense Force Search and Rescue team. If anyone is a member of Army MARS, please let Tom know.

Jim (w4qo) reminded everyone that Joel Hallas, technical editor for QST magazine, will be presenting at Roswell City Hall's main chambers, Thursday 19 Nov at 7:30pm EST. Everyone is welcome to attend!

Matt (aj4nt) announced plans to locate high points in North Fulton County that could be used as rapid relay deployment sites. Matt operated mobile as net control from one such site at Preston Ridge IV (1200ft ASL) in Alpharetta. Other sites have been identified, and a mobile simplex test is tentatively planned for Sunday, 15 Nov. Details will be announced on the NFARES reflector.

The NFARES net closed at 8:57pm EST.

After the conclusion of the net, Matt (aj4nt) called a simplex net on 146.49 from Preston Ridge IV. There were 14 check-ins to the simplex net:

1. w4cng Steve
2. w4uoc Tom
3. n4sec Jim
4. kc4ybo Steve
5. k4yji Bill
6. ae4cw Chuck
7. kg5wu Wayne
8. w4qo Jim
9. ki4ydj Dan
10. ad4mc Mike
11. kj4jey Mark
12. kj4mij Clyde
13. ki4egy Jeff (from Paulding County, on a 6-element beam!)
14. aj4nt Matt

All stations copied net control at 20W and at 5W. Also significant was the observation that nearly every station had copy on all other stations.

The simplex net closed at 9:57pm EST.

73 de Matt aj4nt

# 900. Antenna Tuners for Sale

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2009-11-02 20:38:34 UTC
From: w4uoc@aol.com
Topic: 900  Message: 900

I have some antenna tuners that are excess to my needs.

MFJ - 969 roller inductor tuner 80-6 meters 300 watts $150.00
Murch 2000B roller inductor tuner 160-10 meters 2000 watts $225.00
Dentron MT-3000 A 160-10 meters 3000 watts $250.00
RF Power Components Maxi Tuner 160-10 meters 3000.00 watts $250.00

You can search the internet to obtain descriptions for each or check eHam.

Tom Koch - W4UOC
8170 Habersham Waters Road
Sandy Springs, GA 30350
404-314-6109

# 901. Antenna Tuners for Sale

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2009-11-03 01:58:35 UTC
From: w4uoc@aol.com
Topic: 900  Message: 901

I have some antenna tuners that are excess to my needs.

MFJ - 969 roller inductor tuner 80-6 meters 300 watts $150.00
Murch 2000B roller inductor tuner 160-10 meters 2000 watts $225.00 - SOLD
Dentron MT-3000 A 160-10 meters 3000 watts $250.00
RF Power Components Maxi Tuner 160-10 meters 3000.00 watts $250.00 - SOLD

You can search the internet to obtain descriptions for each or check eHam.

Tom Koch - W4UOC
8170 Habersham Waters Road
Sandy Springs, GA 30350
404-314-6109

# 902. NFARES Nov 10, 2009 Meeting Location Change

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2009-11-03 02:39:18 UTC
From: w4uoc@aol.com
Topic: 902  Message: 902

Chief Scarbrough, the Fire Marshal for the City of Sandy Springs, has informed me that we have the Training Room at the Sandy Springs EOC/ChatCom reserved for our NFARES meeting on 11-10 - 09 from 7 PM to 9 PM. The EOC is located just west of GA-400 on Mt Vernon Road. Entrance to the parking deck can be reached from either Mt Vernon or Barfield.

I will provide additional routing information in the next day or two.

The meeting agenda will include:

Tour of Chatcom 911 and EOC

Review of 2009 SET

Storm Damage Assessment Procedures and FEMA requirements

Service Opportunities in support for the City of Sandy Springs and their Fire/Rescue organization

Since this is a very secure site and you will have to wait for an escort to take you into the complex. The entrance is on the South side of the building or the North end of the parking deck on the ground level.

Detailed maps and guides will follow.

Tom Koch - W4UOC
EC - North Fulton Amateur Radio Emergency Service

# 903. Nov 10, 2009 NFARES Meeting - Location Change

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2009-11-03 13:52:12 UTC
From: w4uoc@aol.com
Topic: 903  Message: 903

Chief Jeff Scarbrough, Fire Marshal for the City of Sandy Springs, informed me that we have the Training Room at the Sandy Springs EOC/ChatCom reserved for our NFARES meeting on 11-10 - 09 from 7 PM to 9 PM. The EOC is located just west of GA-400 on Mt. Vernon Road. Entrance to the parking deck can be reached from either Mt Vernon Hwy N.E. or Barfield.Rd N.E. Those arriving on Mt. Vernon Rd NE from the West can enter the parking deck off Mt Vernon. Those arriving on Mt Vernon from the East should turn South on Barfield Rd NE and take the first right into the parking deck. There will be talk-in directions on the NFARES 147.06 + 100hz tone prior to the meeting.

The meeting agenda will include:

Tour of ChatCom 911 and Sandy Springs EOC

Review of 2009 SET

Storm Damage Assessment Procedures and FEMA Disaster Recovery requirements.

Service Opportunities in support for the City of Sandy Springs and their Fire/Rescue organization

Since this is a secure site you will have to wait outside of the entrance for an escort to take you into the complex. The entrance is on the South side of the building or the North end of the parking deck on the ground level.

The attached link will provide you with directions to the ChatCom 911 center.
_http://www.mapquest.com/mq/10-mBz4W4iC_
(http://www.mapquest.com/mq/10-mBz4W4iC)

Tom Koch - W4UOC
EC - North Fulton Amateur Radio Emergency Service

# 904. North Fulton County ARES Meeting, 11/10/2009, 7:00 pm

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2009-11-04 00:06:41 UTC
From: nfares@yahoogroups.com
Topic: 904  Message: 904

Reminder from: nfares Yahoo! Group
http://groups.yahoo.com/group/nfares/cal

North Fulton County ARES Meeting
Tuesday November 10, 2009
7:00 pm - 8:30 pm
(This event repeats every month on the second Tuesday.)
(The next reminder for this event will be sent in 5 days, 23 hours, 53 minutes.)
Location: Sandy Springs City Council Chambers
Street: Morgan Falls Office Park, 7840 Roswell Road Building 500
City State Zip: Sandy Springs, GA 30350

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# 905. North Fulton ARES Net, 11/8/2009, 8:30 pm

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2009-11-07 01:26:05 UTC
From: nfares@yahoogroups.com
Topic: 905  Message: 905

Reminder from: nfares Yahoo! Group
http://groups.yahoo.com/group/nfares/cal

North Fulton ARES Net
Sunday November 8, 2009
8:30 pm - 9:30 pm
(This event repeats every week.)
Location: 147.060 MHz (plus 600kHz) PL 100.0. Backup is 145.470 MHz (minus 600 kHz) PL 100.0

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# 906. North Fulton high-elevation simplex testing

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2009-11-08 19:27:21 UTC
From: Matthew Garland
Topic: 906  Message: 906

As I mentioned in last week's ARES net, I've been mapping out high-elevation sites in North Fulton where we could rapidly deploy net control and/or relay stations to help with a local incident. The list below has two high-elevation sites for each of our served cities.

I would like to test simplex between these sites next Sunday afternoon, Nov 15, at 3pm EST. To keep things easy, I'd like volunteers to have 2m mobile rigs and antennas (i.e. what's mounted on your vehicle, not a yagi on a 40ft push-up mast). We'll use 146.49 MHz and test at three power levels (20/10/5W).

If you'd like to help out, please reply to me (aj4nt@...) by Wednesday, and let me know which city you're closest to. I'd like to get all of the #1 sites covered, and then cover as many of the #2 sites as we can. As always, everyone is welcome to join in the fun whether you're at one of these sites or not!

I'll send out another email later this week to confirm.

73 de Matt aj4nt

Alpharetta
1. Preston Ridge IV (1200ft ASL):
http://maps.google.com/maps?q=34.071884,-84.263192
2. Alpharetta HS (1150ft ASL):
http://maps.google.com/maps?q=34.076015,-84.257004

Johns Creek
1. Northview HS (1100ft ASL):
http://maps.google.com/maps?q=34.039110,-84.175756
2. County Park? (1150ft ASL):
http://maps.google.com/maps?q=34.018951,-84.266875

Milton
1. Milton HS (1140ft ASL): http://maps.google.com/maps?q=34.098181,-84.338791
2. Mountain Road ES (1240ft ASL):
http://maps.google.com/maps?q=34.138855,-84.406478

Roswell
1. Roswell HS (1200ft ASL): http://maps.google.com/maps?q=34.061881,-84.382011
2. Centennial HS (1150ft ASL):
http://maps.google.com/maps?q=34.006640,-84.289441

Sandy Springs
1. First Baptist Sandy Springs (1125ft ASL):
http://maps.google.com/maps?q=33.927858,-84.365484
2. North Springs HS (1050ft ASL):

http://maps.google.com/maps?q=33.956397,-84.363413

# 907. 147.06 repeater in Charlotte, NC?

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2009-11-09 03:21:35 UTC
From: Matthew Garland
Topic: 907  Message: 907

After tonight's simplex net, I switched back to the 147.06 machine to find that I could partially copy a net on a distant repeater! I thought I picked out one callsign (ki4th or ki4ta or ki4dh), and I was able to decode a few letters of the repeater id: the number 4 and the letters c, q, and possibly r, in that order. Given that data and a brief internet search, I think the callsign may have been ki4dh in Mt Gilead, NC, and we might be hearing the repeater w4cq on 147.06 in Charlotte, NC. Has anyone else heard that repeater id?

73 de Matt aj4nt

# 908. North Fulton ARES net for 08 Nov 2009

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2009-11-09 03:22:43 UTC
From: Matthew Garland
Topic: 908  Message: 908

Tonight's net had 10 check-ins:

1. w4uoc Tom
2. kd9ru Dave
3. wb4mak Mack
4. n4bta Bret
5. kj4mij Clyde
6. aa4fa Dan (fka ki4ydj)
7. kj4cqj Elliott
8. w4qo Jim
9. k4yji Bill
10. aj4nt Matt

Tom (w4uoc) reminded everyone that this month's meeting will be held at the Sandy Springs 911 Center and EOC. We will tour the 911 center, review the 2009 SET, and hear a presentation from Sandy Springs Fire Rescue on damage assessment procedures.

Matt (aj4nt) announced plans for a simplex test of high-elevation sites in North Fulton, to be held on Sunday Nov 15 at 3pm. Interested volunteers should contact Matt by email (aj4nt@...).

The primary net closed at 8:30pm EST.

At the conclusion of the primary net, Matt (aj4nt) called a simplex net on 146.49 from Northview HS in Johns Creek. There were five check-ins:

1. kd9ru Dave
2. n4bta Bret
3. w4uoc Tom
4. kj4mij Clyde
5. aj4nt Matt

The simplex net closed at 9:30pm EST.

73 de Matt aj4nt

# 909. Re: [nfares] North Fulton high-elevation simplex testing

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2009-11-09 06:24:30 UTC
From: Matthew Garland
Topic: 906  Message: 909

I think it might be helpful to clarify my intent for this particular test:

These aren't the absolute highest points in the county. I tried to find sites that were (1) higher than average surrounding terrain, (2) easily accessible to all, and (3) evenly distributed across North Fulton. In several cases, I sacrificed (1) in the interests of (2) and (3). Hopefully, in a real incident, folks *would* deploy the 40' push-up mast and the gain antenna. But if we can establish reliable comms between these sites with just our standard mobile rigs, then we can certainly do it with more elaborate gear.

The essential test measurement is the "minimum power level necessary for readable copy" between these sites--I'm assuming we would try to conserve amp-hours while on emergency power. I don't find S-unit measurements very helpful in this regard--they don't translate into anything useful to the operator. We were able to reach Milton (Dave kd9ru's qth) from Johns Creek (Northview HS) tonight on 20W simplex without any trouble, and last week we had solid copy between Alpharetta (Preston Ridge) and Dunwoody (Perimeter Mall) at 5W. Some of those contacts read S0 or S1 on my rig, but were perfectly readable! If we can get readable copy, we can pass the message--even with the meter at S0.

I'm not certain that these sites will entirely blanket the served cities, but this test is aimed specifically at comms *between* these sites, to support routing inter-city traffic on simplex with minimal hops. Tom (w4uoc) also pointed out that many of these schools are likely shelter sites, and so we might reasonably be deployed there anyway. I do think it makes sense to test simplex between these sites and the served agency sites in the same city, but that's a more involved test (lots of sites) for another weekend.

I hope you find this useful, and I hope you'll be able to participate!

BTW, Steve: thanks for the feedback, and nice location! Will you be joining us on Sunday (perhaps from Centennial HS, hihi)?

73 de Matt aj4nt

On Sun, Nov 8, 2009 at 10:39 PM, Stephen Reynolds <
stephentreynolds@...> wrote:

> Sites look good, but my house and antenna is at 1220 on the rear deck well
> above Centennial HS, plus another 30 feet into the attic!!. Also doing
> tests at 20/10/5 watts is not really good. You need to do tests at 5W vs 50
> Watts which is a 10DB difference since it takes 4TX the power to make a
> difference in an S-Meter difference and most Ham Rigs do not report signal
> strength very much with varying input strength's. Go and improve on what
> you are doing just under my Attic Antenna Array above Centennial HS.. You

> may want to sit in my driveway after Centennial HS to do further testing.
> There is not much I cannot hear at my home on VHF/UHF signals.
> Steve W4CNG
>
>

# 910. Re: [nfares] 147.06 repeater in Charlotte, NC?

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2009-11-09 14:56:52 UTC
From: w4uoc@aol.com
Topic: 907  Message: 910

Your probably correct. I work Charlotte quite often on 2 meter SSB with a 11 element horizontal beam.

Tom Koch - W4UOC

In a message dated 11/8/2009 10:24:18 P.M. Eastern Standard Time, cq.aj4nt@... writes:

After tonight's simplex net, I switched back to the 147.06 machine to find that I could partially copy a net on a distant repeater! I thought I picked out one callsign (ki4th or ki4ta or ki4dh), and I was able to decode a few letters of the repeater id: the number 4 and the letters c, q, and possibly r, in that order. Given that data and a brief internet search, I think the callsign may have been ki4dh in Mt Gilead, NC, and we might be hearing the repeater w4cq on 147.06 in Charlotte, NC. Has anyone else heard that repeater id?

73 de Matt aj4nt

# 911. Re: North Fulton ARES Meeting

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2009-11-09 15:17:54 UTC
From: w4uoc@aol.com
Topic: 911  Message: 911

Mark,

I have the ham antenna for fire station #3 and will get it to you or the contractor when they are ready to install the mast, etc.

We have the 911 center scheduled for out meeting tonight, Nov 10th but will schedule you or your representative for one of our next meetings, pertaining to the storm assessment procedures. We have other items of business we can handle at this meeting and will work with you to schedule another date. We meet the second Tuesday each month.

Jeff Scarbrough had mentioned that he would do the storm assessment training at the November 10th meeting but I believe he will not be available as he was home sick the later part of last week.

We have a tour planned for the meeting on November 10th and will also review with our group the recent Simulated Emergency Test we conducted for all five cities of North Fulton two weekends ago.

Thanks for your help and support. I hope the pending tropical storm/hurricane does not require any storm assessment help from our group.

Tom Koch - W4UOC
Emergency Coordinator - North Fulton Amateur Radio Emergency Service
404-314-6109

In a message dated 11/9/2009 8:44:29 A.M. Eastern Standard Time, Mark.Duke@... writes:

Tom,
Most defiantly we will be able to hold the training for your people on what we discussed. Using them to gather storm damage assessments would be a great way to get this information while we remain ready to answer calls. Meeting at the EOC/911 will not be a problem we will just have to schedule it well in advance. I apologize for taking so long to respond but we had a rather large seminar last week here in Sandy Springs. If you have some additional dates that we can meet please send them to me; your meeting tomorrow will not be possible on our end because of other commitments.
I do have great news finally on station-3, the order for parts has been placed and I am waiting for them to arrive. I spoke with Atlanta Communications about working with the your organization and they will gather all the equipment first then call me to schedule a time. I will let you know as soon as I hear something so we can get your antenna up also, I'm hoping it will be in the next two weeks.
Thanks again,
Mark

From: W4UOC@... [mailto:W4UOC@...]
Sent: Sunday, November 01, 2009 8:22 PM
To: Duke, Mark; Scarbrough, Jeff
Cc: w4qo@...; ad4mc@...; wcchapman@...;
jpaine@...; Staton, Shelia; s_knit@...
Subject: North Fulton ARES Meeting

Chief Duke,

When we met, a week ago, we discussed the possibility of you or a representative from your organization providing some training for our North Fulton Amateur Radio Emergency Service pertaining to your needs for us to provide some damage assessment assistance services. Would your organization be able to present this training and lead a discussion as to what other services you would like to see from our organization?

We also discussed the possibility of including selected CERT members from the Sandy Springs group to assist in these drive by damage assessments.

Another discussion item was to inquire about the possibility of holding one of our next meetings in the training area of the EOC/911 center. It would be good for our group to see the EOC to help them better understand how we might fit into your emergency preparedness plans.

Our next meeting is scheduled for second Tuesday evening of November, November 10th.

Have you heard anymore from the contractor that is going to extend the communications mast/tower on Fire Station #3?

Your thoughts?

Tom Koch - W4UOC

EC - North Fulton ARES

# 912. North Fulton County ARES Meeting, 11/10/2009, 7:00 pm

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2009-11-10 00:11:07 UTC
From: nfares@yahoogroups.com
Topic: 904  Message: 912

Reminder from: nfares Yahoo! Group
http://groups.yahoo.com/group/nfares/cal

North Fulton County ARES Meeting
Tuesday November 10, 2009
7:00 pm - 8:30 pm
(This event repeats every month on the second Tuesday.)
Location: Sandy Springs City Council Chambers
Street: Morgan Falls Office Park, 7840 Roswell Road Building 500
City State Zip: Sandy Springs, GA 30350

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# 913. Nov 10, 2009 NFARES meeting Sandy Springs 911 Center/EOC 7:00 p.m.

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2009-11-10 16:24:44 UTC
From: w4uoc@aol.com
Topic: 913  Message: 913

Just a reminder the NFARES meeting will be held at the Sandy Springs 911 Center/EOC located at the corner of Mt Vernon and Barfield. The driveways to the parking garage are located just south of Mt Vernon on Barfield or the second driveway just East of the intersection of Barfield and Mt Vernon.

We will have a talk-in on the 145.06 repeater if you need directions, starting bout 6:30 p.m.

We will have an escort meet you at the door on the ground floor of the parking garage.

Tom Koch - W4UOC

# 914. NFARES Google Earth placemarks

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2009-11-11 04:22:55 UTC
From: Matthew Garland
Topic: 914  Message: 914

I've uploaded my Google Earth placemarks (NFARES-20091110.kmz) to the Files area of our Yahoo! group (http://groups.yahoo.com/group/nfares/files). In order to access our files, I believe you have to be signed in to yahoo with the yahoo id that you used to join the nfares mailing list. If you have trouble getting the file, just send me a direct email (aj4nt@...), and I'll email the file back to you.

Have fun searching for other sites, and if you find good ones, be sure to let us know!

73 de Matt aj4nt

# 915. NFARES simplex site testing, Sunday Nov 15

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2009-11-11 04:38:35 UTC
From: Matthew Garland
Topic: 915  Message: 915

Below are the current assignments for Sunday's (Nov 15) simplex site tests. I also have five or six other sites not listed here, so there's plenty of room for anyone who wants to join us!

If your name appears below, please reply directly to me (aj4nt@...) to confirm your location and so that I have your correct email address. I'll email instructions for the test on Thursday or Friday.

Alpharetta
1. Preston Ridge IV <http://maps.google.com/maps?q=34.071884,-84.263192> - Matt/aj4nt
2. Webb Bridge Park <http://maps.google.com/maps?q=34.065711,-84.216880> - AVAILABLE

Johns Creek
1. Northview HS <http://maps.google.com/maps?q=34.039110,-84.175756> - George/ki4dso 2. County Park? <http://maps.google.com/maps?q=34.018951,-84.266875> - AVAILABLE
Milton
1. Milton HS <http://maps.google.com/maps?q=34.098181,-84.338791> - Dave/kd9ru 2. Mountain Road ES <http://maps.google.com/maps?q=34.138855,-84.406478> - Jim/w4qo
Roswell
1. Roswell HS <http://maps.google.com/maps?q=34.061881,-84.382011> - Bill/k4yji
2. Centennial HS <http://maps.google.com/maps?q=34.006640,-84.289441> - Steve/kc4ybo

Sandy Springs
1. First Baptist Sandy Springs <http://maps.google.com/maps?q=33.927858,-84.365484> - Dan/aa4fa
2. North Springs HS <http://maps.google.com/maps?q=33.956397,-84.363413> - Wayne/kg5wu

73 de Matt aj4nt

# 916. Atlanta Marathon on Thanksgiving Day

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2009-11-11 13:28:15 UTC
From: Wayne Chapman
Topic: 916  Message: 916

Would you be interested in helping out with communications for the Marathon on Thanksgiving Day? A variety of assignments are available.

It's a good start to the day ... and gets you in the mood for all of the turkey and football you can consume the rest of the day and the weekend.

If you can help out, I'll send you links and contact info. Click "Reply to Sender" from reflector email to contact me.

Thanks! Look forward to seeing you there.

Wayne
kg5wu

# 917. GA State Nets

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2009-11-12 17:42:39 UTC
From: Jim Stafford
Topic: 917  Message: 917

I have recently been asked about GA State level nets and I clipped this from a recent GA NEWS edition so think it's pretty current. I encourage all of you to check it out/check in/etc. and if you are just getting started, try the GTN net at 9PM local time (CW):

NET REPORT DE STM CHARLES PENNINGTON, K4GK

QNI

QTC

SESS

QND

NM

GSSB: Georgia Single Side Band Association
3975 kHz 7 PM local, year round.

1873

12

31

KE4VPD

GCN: Georgia Cracker Net
3995 kHz 7 AM Monday- Saturday; 8 AM Sundays

1047

12

31

N4VMC

GA ARES: Georgia Amateur Radio Emergency Services
3975 kHz 5 PM winters; 6 PM summers - Sundays

520

3

4

K4GK

GTE: Georgia Traffic and Emergency Net
3983 kHz 7:15 PM DAILY

1454

34

31

W4AYK

GTN: Georgia Traffic Net (SSB) (Cycle 2)
3987.5 kHz 1 PM Monday - Saturday

435

96

27

WA4UJC

GTN: Georgia Traffic Handling Training Net (CW)
3549 kHz 9PM DAILY (slow speed)

158

9

31

AD4DX

GSN: Georgia Section CW Net (Cycle 4)
3549 kHz 7PM and 10PM DAILY (medium to high speed)

403

155

62

K4GK

# 918. GA Nets - revisited

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2009-11-13 14:02:31 UTC
From: Jim Stafford
Topic: 918  Message: 918

The version I received as an email looked pretty messy
but the version on the website (you do know you can always
read email on the yahoo "groups" website don't you?)
looks much better:

http://groups.yahoo.com/group/nfares/message/917

# 919. North Fulton ARES Net, 11/15/2009, 8:30 pm

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2009-11-14 01:26:19 UTC
From: nfares@yahoogroups.com
Topic: 919  Message: 919

Reminder from: nfares Yahoo! Group
http://groups.yahoo.com/group/nfares/cal

North Fulton ARES Net
Sunday November 15, 2009
8:30 pm - 9:30 pm
(This event repeats every week.)
Location: 147.060 MHz (plus 600kHz) PL 100.0. Backup is 145.470 MHz (minus 600 kHz) PL 100.0

Notes:
Please remember that both repeaters now require a PL tone of 100.0 Hz

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# 920. North Fulton simplex site test 3PM this Sunday, Nov 15

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2009-11-14 04:30:50 UTC
From: Matthew Garland
Topic: 920  Message: 920

Here are the instructions for Sunday's simplex site test. If you have any questions, please call Matt/AJ4NT at 404.456.0000 or use the "reply to sender" link in this yahoo group email.

I have not yet received confirmations from:

- George/KI4DSO
- Dave/KD9RU
- Bill/K4YJI
- Steve/KC4YBO
- Mike/AD4MC (tentative)
- Scott Dunbar (tentative)

*Please* confirm (or deny!) your participation at the assigned site by replying to this email; if you are unable to participate, I may need to assign your site to someone else to ensure the primary sites are covered.

Thank you and see you on Sunday! -- Matt/AJ4NT

INSTRUCTIONS:

1. Please be at your designated site *before* 3pm.

2. Find a spot to park. These sites have been selected because some part of them is well above the average surrounding terrain, but that doesn't mean everywhere on the site will be ideal. Try to find a high spot on your site that is relatively unobstructed. The Google map links pinpoint a likely high spot on the site according to Google's contour data, but that could be inaccurate. Start with the pinpointed spot, and improve on it if you can. Make a note of where you operated from.

3. Operate with your vehicle-mounted antenna. We're trying to normalize out the differences between equipment, so please use your vehicle-mounted 1/4, 1/2, or 5/8 wave antenna. In an actual incident, we would encourage you to use a gain antenna on a push-up mast, but please don't do that for Sunday's test.

4. Start at a 20W power level. We'll include our power level as part of the exchange, so don't worry if you can't set your rig to exactly 20W. Just set it as close as you can.

5. Monitor 146.490 starting at 3pm. If the frequency is in use, we'll fall back to 146.550.

6. When called for check-in, please respond with only your callsign until you are recognized by net control.

7. As each station is recognized by net control, write down which ones you can copy at "good readable" (Q4) or better. If you copy the station well enough to receive a formal message without difficulty, write down their call; otherwise, leave them off of your list.

8. When you are recognized by net control, please report:
- your callsign, phonetically and alphabetically
- your name
- your location
- your power level in watts
- your list of readable stations

9. Obviously, the list of stations will not be complete until all stations have been checked in, so after check-ins are complete, net control will call each station again to complete their report.

10. Once we've completed the test at 20W, we'll repeat the test at 10W and 5W.

11. A post-net meetup location for pizza and beer will be announced.

ASSIGNMENTS:

Alpharetta

1. Preston Ridge IV - Matt/aj4nt
<http://maps.google.com/maps?q=34.071884,-84.263192>

2. Webb Bridge Park - Scott Dunbar, if available
<http://maps.google.com/maps?q=34.065711,-84.216880>

Johns Creek

1. Northview HS - George/ki4dso
<http://maps.google.com/maps?q=34.039110,-84.175756>

2. County Park? - Mike/ad4mc, if available
<http://maps.google.com/maps?q=34.018951,-84.266875>

Milton

1. Milton HS - Dave/kd9ru
<http://maps.google.com/maps?q=34.098181,-84.338791>

2. Mountain Road ES - Jim/w4qo
<http://maps.google.com/maps?q=34.138855,-84.406478>

Roswell

1. Roswell HS - Bill/k4yji
<http://maps.google.com/maps?q=34.061881,-84.382011>

2. Centennial HS - Steve/kc4ybo
<http://maps.google.com/maps?q=34.006640,-84.289441>

Sandy Springs

1. First Baptist Sandy Springs - Dan/aa4fa
<http://maps.google.com/maps?q=33.927858,-84.365484>

2. North Springs HS - Wayne/kg5wu
<http://maps.google.com/maps?q=33.956397,-84.363413>

# 921. Real-time VHF propagation

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2009-11-16 02:16:53 UTC
From: Matthew Garland
Topic: 921  Message: 921

This is an interesting site that analyzes APRS packets to compute a near real-time VHF propagation map. While some of us were having difficulty understanding the repeater output tonight, the entire Southeast US was covered in red on this map. We should probably be trying to work weak signal VHF right now. :-)

http://www.mountainlake.k12.mn.us/ham/aprs/index.html

Matt/AJ4NT

# 922. Simplex site test results

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2009-11-16 02:31:42 UTC
From: Matthew Garland
Topic: 922  Message: 922
Attachments: 1 described; binary payloads are missing from this source WARC

I've attached a spreadsheet showing the results of this afternoon's simplex testing at the candidate sites.

One interesting wrinkle I noticed in the data: there were a couple of cases where station A could hear station B, but B couldn't hear A. For example, Milton HS could hear North Springs HS, but not vice versa. That may deserve some investigation. Any thoughts?

It was a beautiful day for a field test, and I thought things went quite well. Thanks again to everyone who participated.

Matt/AJ4NT

# 923. Simplex site test results

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2009-11-16 02:46:15 UTC
From: Chuck Catledge
Topic: 922  Message: 923

Matt,

These results look really encouraging and bode well for improved SET and Actual Emergency capabilities. Thanks for leading this effort.

Do you have any thoughts about extending this trial to the served agency locations, i.e. fire, hospital, etc., using the high points as net control locations? If so, let me know and I would be pleased to assist.

I'm sorry I couldn't participate this afternoon. We had planned to be out of town and then changed plans at the last minute...too late to participate.

--

Chuck, AE4CW

# 924. East Alabama repeater on 147.06?

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2009-11-16 15:09:16 UTC
From: Matthew Garland
Topic: 924  Message: 924

I heard KJ4JTA clear as day this morning on a distant 147.06 repeater. Looking around on the web, I think it the East Alabama Radio Club machine (147.06, positive offset, 123 Hz) in Opelika, AL.

I also heard a second repeater id while I was listening. It was blistering fast CW, but I think it was W4CQ out of Charlotte.

So maybe we're overlapping with a couple of different machines when propagation goes long. Fascinating stuff...

Matt/AJ4NT

# 925. Final Reminder: Greater Atlanta Club Meeting, Joel Hallas, W1ZR

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2009-11-16 15:32:53 UTC
From: mccormick_mack
Topic: 925  Message: 925

The Doctor will be in. That's Joel Hallas, W1ZR, the technical editor of QST and author of the "Doctor is In" column.

Please join hams from around the local area as we host Joel for a very special joint club meeting on this Thursday, November 19th, at 7:30 PM at Roswell City Hall. There will be plenty of seating for everyone. Here is a map to city hall: http://tinyurl.com/yefqxpr . There will be talk in on 145.47 (-) PL 100.

As an added attraction, you will have the opportunity to win a Yaesu FT-857D at the meeting. Tickets will be $5 each or 5 for $20. Tickets will be available at the meeting and you must be present to win.

Please join hams from around the Atlanta area as we give Joel a warm welcome.

73,

Mack de WB4MAK

# 926. NFARES Net Report for 11/15/09

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2009-11-17 02:47:43 UTC
From: sstaton@mindspring.com
Topic: 926  Message: 926

There were 11 check-ins for the November 15, 2009 net:

W4UOC Tom
K4YJI Bill
AD4MC Mike
WB4MAK Mack
AJ4NT Matt
N4SEC Jim
KD9RU Dave
AE4CW Chuck
KG5WU Wayne
KJ4MIJ Clyde
KD4NKE Shelia (Net Control)

Announcements:

1. Tom (W4UOC) announced that the City of Sandy Springs is receiving a donation of a 29' motor home. The motor home will be used for CERT, ARES, and Fire Department emergencies and communications.

2. Mack (WB4MAK) reminded everyone that the NFARL meeting will be on Thursday, November 19th at Roswell City Hall beginning at 7:30. The speaker will be Joel Hallas, technical editor for QST Magazine.

3. Wayne (KG5WU) announced the Atlanta Marathon which will be held on Thanksgiving Day. If anyone is interested in participating, please contact Wayne for further details (wcchapman@...).

4. Matt (AJ4NT) gave an update on simplex tests that were done earlier in the day. Many thanks to those who helped to determine communications capabilities on simplex throughout North Fulton.

Respectfully submitted,

Shelia
KD4NKE
AEC - City of Sandy Springs

# 927. North Fulton ARES Net, 11/22/2009, 8:30 pm

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2009-11-21 01:26:32 UTC
From: nfares@yahoogroups.com
Topic: 927  Message: 927

Reminder from: nfares Yahoo! Group
http://groups.yahoo.com/group/nfares/cal

North Fulton ARES Net
Sunday November 22, 2009
8:30 pm - 9:30 pm
(This event repeats every week.)
Location: 147.060 MHz (plus 600kHz) PL 100.0. Backup is 145.470 MHz (minus 600 kHz) PL 100.0

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# 928. North Fulton ARES Net, 11/29/2009, 8:30 pm

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2009-11-28 01:26:35 UTC
From: nfares@yahoogroups.com
Topic: 928  Message: 928

Reminder from: nfares Yahoo! Group
http://groups.yahoo.com/group/nfares/cal

North Fulton ARES Net
Sunday November 29, 2009
8:30 pm - 9:30 pm
(This event repeats every week.)
Location: 147.060 MHz (plus 600kHz) PL 100.0. Backup is 145.470 MHz (minus 600 kHz) PL 100.0

Notes:
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# 929. North Fulton ARES Net Results for 11/22/09

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2009-11-28 13:43:21 UTC
From: sstaton@mindspring.com
Topic: 929  Message: 929

The following 11 operators checked in for the 11/22/09 North Fulton ARES weeklyh net:

W4UOC Tom
N4SEC Jim
WB4MAK Mack
KG5WU Wayne
AD4MC Mike
KJ4MIJ Clyde
N4BTA Brett
AA4FA Dan
NZ4CW Craig
KJ4HCB Paul
KD4NKE Shelia (Net Control)

147.06 was not working well at the time of the net. The group switched over to 146.49 simplex and was able to successfully complete the net.

Thank you for checking in. The next net is scheduled for 8:30 p.m. on Sunday, 11/29/09. Please join us!

Respectfully submitted,

Shelia
KD4NKE

# 930. Help needed with CHOA Downtown Atlanta -Xmas Parade Sat 12/5/09-7:30am-11:30am

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2009-11-30 01:43:28 UTC
From: ke4qcm
Topic: 930  Message: 930

Help needed with CHOA Downtown Atlanta -Xmas Parade Sat 12/5/09-7:30am-11:30am-Children's Healthcare of Atlanta - Confirm you are coming by emailing Tim Rosing, KC4ELV at kc4elv@...

Sent by KE4QCM
Tom Fuller
AEC Dekalb ARES-Net Ops.

# 931. ARES NET Nov.29

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2009-12-01 17:46:39 UTC
From: David Hazell KD9RU
Topic: 931  Message: 931

The following stations checked into the November 29th net.

1. AF4FO-Susan
2. K4HBI -Mike
3. W4UOC-Tom
4. N4SEC - Jim
5. K4YJI - Bill
6. KI5WU -Wayne
7. AE4CW -Chuck
8. KJ4MIJ - Clyde
9. W4QO - Jim
10. WB4MAK-Mack
11. K7SYS - John
12. KD9RU - Dave (Net Control)

COMMENTS:

* The net transferred to the 145.470 repeater due to transmission difficulties.
* W4UOC stated that Jeff Scarborough, Sandy Springs Fire Chief is planning to attend the forthcoming ARES meeting to discuss the WINDSHIELD SURVEY-Damage Assessment Report.
* The net closed at 08:41 local time.

# 932. North Fulton County ARES Meeting, 12/8/2009, 7:00 pm

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2009-12-02 00:14:12 UTC
From: nfares@yahoogroups.com
Topic: 932  Message: 932

Reminder from: nfares Yahoo! Group
http://groups.yahoo.com/group/nfares/cal

North Fulton County ARES Meeting
Tuesday December 8, 2009
7:00 pm - 8:30 pm
(This event repeats every month on the second Tuesday.)
(The next reminder for this event will be sent in 5 days, 23 hours, 46 minutes.)
Location: Sandy Springs City Council Chambers
Street: Morgan Falls Office Park, 7840 Roswell Road Building 500
City State Zip: Sandy Springs, GA 30350

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# 933. North Fulton ARES Net, 12/6/2009, 8:30 pm

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2009-12-05 01:25:44 UTC
From: nfares@yahoogroups.com
Topic: 933  Message: 933

Reminder from: nfares Yahoo! Group
http://groups.yahoo.com/group/nfares/cal

North Fulton ARES Net
Sunday December 6, 2009
8:30 pm - 9:30 pm
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# 934. NFARES 2-Meter Net Report, December 6, 2009

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2009-12-07 02:58:42 UTC
From: MikeC
Topic: 934  Message: 934

We had 11 check-ins for tonight's NFARES 2-meter net:

1. W4UOC, Tom, ☐ EC, Sandy Springs
2. K4YJI, Bill, E. Cobb, EP
3. N4SEC, Jim, Alpharetta
4. N4BTA, Brett, Alpharetta, EP
5. KD9RU, Dave, Milton
6. KG5WU, Wayne, Sandy Springs
7. AA4FA, Dan, Dunwoody, EP
8. K4HBI, Mike, Norcross
9. AF4FO, Susan, Norcross
10. KJ4MIJ, Clyde, Sandy Springs
11. AD4MC, Mike, Sandy Springs, EP, NCS

EP = Emergency Power

Announcements from Tom, W4UOC:

Thanks to the NCS stations
Thanks to NFARES volunteers through 2009
Jim W4QO takes over training role
Jim N4SEC in Alpharetta
Steve KC4YBO - Roswell
Shelia KD4NKE ☐ Sandy Springs
Dave KD9RU - Milton
John K3WNL - Northside Hosp
Dave - Emory Johns Creek
Wayne KG5WU - Monthly Reports
Jim-W4QO, Wayne-KG5WU & Mike-AD4MC - SET
Agenda for next meeting, was to be Fire Marshal Scarborough, will be delayed
Review 2009 activities and accomplishments and start planning for 2010
1-day Storm Damage Assessment put on by FEMA
99% assured 501c3 donation for 10-yr-old RV to be remodeled for comm van
Some Fire stations have existing VHF antennas - survey for usable antennas

The next NFARES meeting will be on Tuesday, December 8th from 7:00 to 8:30 PM.
Location:
Sandy Springs City Council Chambers
Morgan Falls Office Park, 7840 Roswell Road Building 500
Sandy Springs, GA 30350

The net closed at 8:47 PM local time

73,

Mike
AD4MC
ad4mc@...
770-262-5212 cell

# 935. North Fulton County ARES Meeting, 12/8/2009, 7:00 pm

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2009-12-08 00:07:16 UTC
From: nfares@yahoogroups.com
Topic: 932  Message: 935

Reminder from: nfares Yahoo! Group
http://groups.yahoo.com/group/nfares/cal

North Fulton County ARES Meeting
Tuesday December 8, 2009
7:00 pm - 8:30 pm
(This event repeats every month on the second Tuesday.)
Location: Sandy Springs City Council Chambers
Street: Morgan Falls Office Park, 7840 Roswell Road Building 500
City State Zip: Sandy Springs, GA 30350

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# 936. Amateur Radio Estate Sale Equipment Listing

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2009-12-08 17:11:03 UTC
From: w4uoc@aol.com
Topic: 936  Message: 936

I have been requested to list and sell the following equipment for the estate of a deceased amateur Bob Hudson, W4HR.
If you are interested in purchasing any of this equipment, that I have tested please contact me at 404-314-6109 or via email to _w4uoc@..._ (mailto:w4uoc@...) .
You are welcome to view and test this equipment at my QTH, 8170 Habersham Waters Road, Sandy Springs, GA 30350

Tom Koch - W4UOC

Auto Tuner New Suggested MFG Model Description Installed List Price Sale Price Icom IC-746 160 thru VHF SSB/cw/fm 100 watt transceiver Y $1,200.00 $800.00 Icom IC-706 160 thru VHF SSB/cw/fm 100 watt transceiver N $800.00 $400.00 Y
Kenwood TS-50 160 thru VHF SSB/cw/fm 100 watt transceiver N $1,000.00 $400.00 Kenwood TM-241 Two meter FM transceiver
$225.00 $75.00 Astron RS-35-M 12vdc 35 amp metered power supply
$179.00 $125.00 Astron RS-35-M 12vdc 35 amp metered power supply
$179.00 $125.00 Tower 60ft. Tapered Alum Self supporting with Mosely beam+ VHF/UHF

Make Offer Heathkit SB-220 80 thru 10 meter 2Kw amplifier
$500.00 $575.00 Ameritron ARB-704 Relay buffer for amplifier
$59.95 $30.00 Ameritron ARB-704 Relay buffer for amplifier
$59.95 $30.00 MFJ MFJ-989-C 3 Kw roller inductor tuner
$389.00 $250.00 MFJ MFJ-969 300 watt roller inductor tuner
$219.00 $125.00 MFJ MFJ-432 Voice Keyer
$199.00 $50.00 MFJ MFJ-493 CW Memory Keyer
$119.00 $50.00 MFJ MFJ-259 HF/VHF SWR Analyzer 1.8-170 MHz

$200.00 Vibroflex Brass Racer Brass Racer Iambic
$149.00 $90.00 Vibroflex Brass Racer Brass Racer Iambic
$149.00 $90.00 Realistic HTX-100 Ten Meter SSB Transceiver N
$100.00 Bird Thruline 43 Watt Meter Slugs,25C,E,W - 2500H
$656.00 $500.00

# 937. Estate Sale - Amateur Radio Equipment

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2009-12-10 11:37:25 UTC
From: w4uoc@aol.com
Topic: 937  Message: 937

Attached is a revised listing for amateur radio equipment I am listing for the family of a Silent Key . I would prefer you come see and test the items at my home located at 8170 Habersham Waters Road, Sandy Springs, GA 30350. The tower is located in Marietta and will require it to be dismantled. You can contact me if you are interested via email to _w4uoc@..._ (mailto:w4uoc@...) or via telephone to 404-314-6109

Tom Koch - W4UOC

Auto Tuner Suggested MFG Model Description Installed Sale Price Icom IC-746 160 thru VHF SSB/cw/fm 100 watt transceiver Y $800.00 Icom IC-706 160 thru VHF SSB/cw/fm 100 watt transceiver N $400.00 Kenwood TS-940-sat SOLD Y $250.00 Kenwood TS-50 160 thru VHF SSB/cw/fm 100 watt transceiver N $400.00 Kenwood TM-241 Two meter FM transceiver
$75.00 Astron RS-35-M 12vdc 35 amp metered power supply
$125.00 Astron RS-35-M 12vdc 35 amp metered power supply
$125.00 Tower 60ft. Tapered Alum Mosley Triband beam Yeasu rotor and control box (takedown)
Make Offer Heathkit SB-220 80 thru 10 meter 2Kw amplifier
$575.00 Ameritron ARB-704 Relay buffer for amplifier
$30.00 Ameritron ARB-704 Relay buffer for amplifier
$30.00 MFJ MFJ-989-C 3 Kw roller inductor tuner
$250.00 MFJ MFJ-969 300 watt roller inductor tuner
$125.00 MFJ MFJ-432 Voice Keyer
$50.00 MFJ MFJ-493 CW Memory Keyer
$50.00 MFJ MFJ-259 HF/VHF SWR Analyzer 1.8-170 MHz
$200.00 Vibroflex Brass Racer Brass Racer Iambic
$90.00 Vibroflex Brass Racer Brass Racer Iambic
$90.00 Realistic HTX-100 Ten Meter SSB Transceiver N $100.00 Bird Thruline 43 Watt Meter Slugs,25C,E,W - 2500H
$500.00 Dentron MT-3000A 3Kw dual meter antenna tuner
$250.00 Drake MN 2700 3Kw dual meter antenna tuner
$300.00 Collins 312B4 Station Console SWR/Watt meter,speaker, phone patch
$275.00 Collins 516F2 Speaker/Power supply
$350.00

# 938. North Fulton ARES Net, 12/13/2009, 8:30 pm

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2009-12-12 01:25:41 UTC
From: nfares@yahoogroups.com
Topic: 938  Message: 938

Reminder from: nfares Yahoo! Group
http://groups.yahoo.com/group/nfares/cal

North Fulton ARES Net
Sunday December 13, 2009
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# 939. Sunday Night ARES Net for 12/13/2009

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2009-12-14 01:54:52 UTC
From: Wayne Chapman
Topic: 939  Message: 939

We had 9 check-ins for the 12/13/2009 net.

KG5WU,Wayne,NCS
KD9RU,Dave
K4YJI,Bill
N4SEC,Jim
AE4CW,Chuck
WB4MAK,Mack
W4QO,Jim
AD4MC,Mike
KJ4HCB,Paul

Announcements:

WB4MAK - Reminders about TechNet on Monday night, Hungry Hams on Wednesday for lunch, and the NFARL Holiday Party on Sunday (12/20/2009) 7pm at Smokejacks.
http://nfarl.org/meetings/meetings.html#December_Meeting

Net closed at 8:40p local.

# 940. Ares Net Dec 20th Cancelled

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2009-12-17 20:47:21 UTC
From: w4uoc@aol.com
Topic: 940  Message: 940

I think it best that we do not try to conduct the NFARES net on Sunday evening Dec 20th as many of the group will be attending the NFARL Christmas Party.. We will continue the net at it's regularly scheduled time the following week.

Happy Holidays and 73

Tom Koch - W4UOC

# 941. North Fulton ARES Net, 12/20/2009, 8:30 pm

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2009-12-19 01:25:32 UTC
From: nfares@yahoogroups.com
Topic: 941  Message: 941

Reminder from: nfares Yahoo! Group
http://groups.yahoo.com/group/nfares/cal

North Fulton ARES Net
Sunday December 20, 2009
8:30 pm - 9:30 pm
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# 942. North Fulton ARES Net, 12/27/2009, 8:30 pm

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2009-12-26 01:25:51 UTC
From: nfares@yahoogroups.com
Topic: 942 Message: 942

Reminder from: nfares Yahoo! Group
http://groups.yahoo.com/group/nfares/cal

North Fulton ARES Net
Sunday December 27, 2009
8:30 pm - 9:30 pm
(This event repeats every week.)
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# 943. ARES Net Report

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2009-12-29 17:20:02 UTC
From: David Hazell KD9RU
Topic: 943  Message: 943

The following stations participated in the NFARES Net on 12-29-09. The net began at 08:30pm EST.

1. W4UOC-Tom EC North Fulton
2. AA4FA - Dan (Emergency Power)
3. K4YJI - Bill (Emergency Power)
4. KD4NKE- Sheila, AEC-Sandy Springs (Mobile)
5. AJ4NT - Matt
6. KJ4MIJ - Clyde (Emergency Power)
7. KG5WU - Wayne
8. W4QO - Jim (Emergency Power)
9. KJ4HCB - Paul
10. KD9RU - Dave, AEC Milton NET CONTROL

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

Amateurs attending the January 2010 NFARES meeting (1-12-2010) are asked to bring hand held radios in order to participate in a simulated drill.

The next NFARES Net is scheduled for Sunday 1-3-2010 at 08:30 PM EST.

The net concluded at 08:40 PM EST.

# 944. NFARES net correction

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2009-12-30 15:19:31 UTC
From: David Hazell KD9RU
Topic: 944  Message: 944

Apparently the holiday grinch was at work - the correct date for the NFARES net was 12-27-09. My apologies if this error resulted in bewildered head scratching and consequent tonsorial disarray.

KD9RU

# 945. North Fulton ARES Net, 1/3/2010, 8:30 pm

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2010-01-02 01:25:16 UTC
From: nfares@yahoogroups.com
Topic: 945  Message: 945

Reminder from: nfares Yahoo! Group
http://groups.yahoo.com/group/nfares/cal

North Fulton ARES Net
Sunday January 3, 2010
8:30 pm - 9:30 pm
(This event repeats every week.)
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# 946. Sandy Springs EOC on HF

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2010-01-03 22:42:44 UTC
From: n4bta
Topic: 946  Message: 946

Tom W4UOC,
The EOC station sounds great on 3.975 !!!!
Nice job,
Bret / N4BTA

# 947. NFARES Sunday Net for 2010-01-03

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2010-01-04 02:06:18 UTC
From: Wayne Chapman
Topic: 947  Message: 947

We had 14 check-ins for tonight's net (Jan 3, 2010).

kg5wu,wayne,ncs
w4uoc,tom,announcements
kd9ru,dave,milton
w4qo,jim,w. roswell,ep
aj4nt,matt,dunwoody,ep
ae4cw,chuck,e. cobb
kj4mij,clyde,dunwoody,ep
kd4nke,shelia,sandy springs,mobile
k4hbi,mike,gwinnett ares
af4fo,susan,gwinnett ares
wx4jms,john,mobile in marietta,with ares in alabama
n4bta,bret,alpharetta,ep
kf4olo,lee,kennesaw
kg4gmv,wendell,lawrenceville

announcements:
w4uoc,tom - may be trouble with antenna on water tower
next meeting is at sandy springs city hall - jan 12 - 7p
by then tom will have surveyed all the fire stations in NFulton
icom 746 from estate will be donated to SSFD for EOC/ARES radio - HF thru 2m
program is review of fire stations and antenna locations
arrl radiogram procedures will also be covered

# 948. Net control schedule?

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2010-01-05 01:50:48 UTC
From: Matthew Garland
Topic: 948  Message: 948

Since I can never remember when I'm scheduled for net control, I have a work-in-progress web page (http://nfares.nfarl.org/nets/schedule/2010) that will list who is on duty each Sunday of the year. I'd like to make sure this page accurately reflects the duty roster, but this is the latest info I could find:

1st Sunday - ???
2nd Sunday - Wayne KG5WU
3rd Sunday - Shelia KD4NKE
4th Sunday - Dave KD9RU
5th Sunday - Matt AJ4NT

Is this accurate, and does anyone know who has the 1st Sunday of the month?

Also, are there any Sundays that we won't be holding a net for any reason (for example, Valentines Day, Independence Day, and Halloween all fall on Sundays this year)?

Matt AJ4NT

# 949. Net control schedule?

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2010-01-05 14:38:05 UTC
From: Wayne Chapman
Topic: 948  Message: 949

Your list is accurate as far as I know. Currently we do not have a NCS scheduled for 1st Sunday. It would be helpful to have another volunteer in the rotation.

As for a Sunday without a net, last year we only had two Sunday's with no net. And the last one was due to a scheduling conflict with the NFARL Holiday Party. I think we can just assume we'll have it unless it gets called off for some reason.

I like your work in progress web pages. I have some content I'd like to include re the weekly nets as well as a monthly activity report we submit to GAARES.

# 950. Net control schedule?

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2010-01-05 15:31:01 UTC
From: ad4mc@arrl.net
Topic: 948  Message: 950

Matt, Wayne and the NFARES Team,

Yes, great stuff, Matt. I am volunteering to be NCS for the first Sunday of each month if no-one else has it. Please put me on the list.

73,

Mike
AD4MC
ad4mc@...
770-262-5212 cell

# 951. Re: [nfares] Net control schedule?

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2010-01-05 16:13:51 UTC
From: Shelia Staton
Topic: 948  Message: 951

Way to jump in Mike! Welcome aboard!

Sent from my iPhone

On Jan 5, 2010, at 10:31 AM, <ad4mc@...> wrote:

> Matt, Wayne and the NFARES Team,
>
> Yes, great stuff, Matt. I am volunteering to be NCS for the first
> Sunday of each month if no-one else has it. Please put me on the
> list.
>
> 73,
>
> Mike
> AD4MC
> ad4mc@...
> 770-262-5212 cell
>
>

# 952. Net control schedule?

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2010-01-05 17:27:23 UTC
From: Wayne Chapman
Topic: 948  Message: 952

Thanks, Mike. Most helpful.

# 953. North Fulton County ARES Meeting, 1/12/2010, 7:00 pm

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2010-01-06 00:09:19 UTC
From: nfares@yahoogroups.com
Topic: 953  Message: 953

Reminder from: nfares Yahoo! Group
http://groups.yahoo.com/group/nfares/cal

North Fulton County ARES Meeting
Tuesday January 12, 2010
7:00 pm - 8:30 pm
(This event repeats every month on the second Tuesday.)
(The next reminder for this event will be sent in 5 days, 23 hours, 50 minutes.)
Location: Sandy Springs City Council Chambers
Street: Morgan Falls Office Park, 7840 Roswell Road Building 500
City State Zip: Sandy Springs, GA 30350

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# 954. Request for assistance....Fires Station Antenna Survey

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2010-01-07 15:12:43 UTC
From: w4uoc@aol.com
Topic: 954  Message: 954
Attachments: 2 described; binary payloads are missing from this source WARC

Any and all NFARES members can assist with this survey but communicate directly with me _w4uoc@..._ (mailto:w4uoc@...) and the city AEC as well.

Dave KD9RU - Milton _dhazell@..._
(mailto:dhazell@...)
Steve KC4YBO - Roswell _s_knit@..._ (mailto:s_knit@...)
Jim N4SEC - Alpharetta _jpaine@..._
(mailto:jpaine@...)
Karen N4MPB - Johns Creek _n4mpb@..._ (mailto:n4mpb@...)

At our next NFARES meeting I would like to discuss the current VHF antenna survey for the fire stations in North Fulton County. I have visited all the Sandy Springs fire stations to check out current or future antenna requirements for VHF and possible UHF use during an emergency situation.

I would ask that those of you that live in Milton, Johns Creek, Alpharetta and Roswell visit the stations in your area to observe if there is an existing VHF and/or UHF antenna visible on the roof or a tower. Many of the Milton and Johns Creek stations were formally Fulton County stations and used VHF radios in the past. Those antennas are no longer is use, in most cases and would be useful for us. If you see a tower and;/or antenna try to take a digital picture of it with either a camera or you cell phone camera and send it to me or bring it to the meeting.

You might meet with the captain of the station and ask him or her about the antennas you see. Don't be surprised if they don't know the answer to your question. Be sure to tell them you are doing the survey as a representative of our ARES organization.

We have completed the survey for Sandy Springs and currently have existing VHF antennas on towers at Sandy Springs stations 2, 4 and a new antenna on FS-3.

Scott Dunbar took these pictures at Alpharetta FS-5 that shows the trunking radio yagi on a pole and what appears to be a 900MHz antenna on the roof of the station.

After we complete this survey I will meet with the various city officials to inquire about installing antennas a those facilities that do not currently have a usable antenna.

Thanks in advance for you help.

]Tom Koch - EC NFARES

# 955. North Fulton ARES Net, 1/10/2010, 8:30 pm

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2010-01-09 01:26:17 UTC
From: nfares@yahoogroups.com
Topic: 955  Message: 955

Reminder from: nfares Yahoo! Group
http://groups.yahoo.com/group/nfares/cal

North Fulton ARES Net
Sunday January 10, 2010
8:30 pm - 9:30 pm
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# 956. NFARES Net Report for Sunday 2010-01-10

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2010-01-11 01:59:33 UTC
From: Wayne Chapman
Topic: 956  Message: 956

We had 13 check-ins for the net tonight (2010-01-10).

kg5wu, wayne, sandy springs, ncs
w4uoc, tom, ec nf, sandy springs, comments
kc4ybo, steve, roswell
n4bta, bret, alpharetta
ad4mc, mike, sandy springs
aj4nt, matt, dunwoody
kd9ru, dave, milton
n4sec, jim, alpharetta
kj4mij, clyde, dunwoody
k4hbi, mike, norcross, gwinnett ares
af4fo, susan, norcross, gwinnett ares
kj4hcb, paul, dunwoody
ag4wy, mark, sandy springs

announcements:

w4uoc,tom

meeting-jan 12, tuesday - agenda

1) fire marshal jeff scarborough - his vision of our support for Sandy Springs ChattComm EOC - Fire Stations in Sandy Springs / Johns Creek

2) discuss survey of NF fire stations in SS and JC, thanks to Dave for his pictures

3) matt will present the newly crafted website

4) future training - disaster emergency survery conducted by SS F/R later this quarter

additional comments:

5) scratchiness in repeater - acquired another antenna to be put on the water tower in the near future

6) ic 746 to be donated to ares group - 160m thru 2m all mode station and is working quite well - for use at EOC and other events

Thanks everybody !!
73 de Wayne/kg5wu

# 957. North Fulton County ARES Meeting, 1/12/2010, 7:00 pm

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2010-01-12 00:08:39 UTC
From: nfares@yahoogroups.com
Topic: 953  Message: 957

Reminder from: nfares Yahoo! Group
http://groups.yahoo.com/group/nfares/cal

North Fulton County ARES Meeting
Tuesday January 12, 2010
7:00 pm - 8:30 pm
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Location: Sandy Springs City Council Chambers
Street: Morgan Falls Office Park, 7840 Roswell Road Building 500
City State Zip: Sandy Springs, GA 30350

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# 958. Earthquake Net Frequencies - 7045, 3720 kHz - Please keep clear

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2010-01-13 04:34:43 UTC
From: w4uoc@aol.com
Topic: 958  Message: 958

The following is from an e-mail from CO2KK:

A few minutes after the earthquake was felt in eastern Cuba's cities, the Cuban Federation of Radio Amateurs Emergency Net was activated, with net control stations CO8WM and CO8RP located in the city of Santiago de Cuba, and in permanent contact with the National Seismology Center of Cuba located in that city.

Stations in the city of Baracoa, in Guantanamo province, were also activated immediately as the earth movements were felt even stronger there, due to its proximity to Haiti. CO8AZ and CO8AW went on the air immediately , with CM8WAL following. At the early phase of the emergency, the population of the city of Baracoa was evacuated far away from the coast, as there was a primary alert of a possible tsunami event or of a heavy wave trains sequence impacting the coast line at the city's sea wall ...

Baracoa could not contact Santiago de Cuba stations on 40 meters due to long skip after 5 PM local time, so several stations in western Cuba and one in the US State of Florida provided relays. CO2KK, as IARU Region II Area C Emergency Coordinator, helped to organize the nets , on 7045 kHz and also on 3720 kHz, while local nets in Santiago de Cuba and Baracoa operated on 2 meters.

As late as 9,45 PM local time 0245 UTC we have not been able to contact any amateur or emergency services stations in Haiti.

Amateurs from the Dominican Republic, Puerto Rico, Venezuela were monitoring the 40 meter band frequency, that I notified to the IARU Region II executive Ramon Santoyo XE1KK as in use for the emergency, requesting that 7045 kHz be kept as clear as possible ...

We are still keeping watch on 7045 kHz hoping that someone in Haiti may have access to a transceiver and at least a car battery to run it.

All information that has so far come from the Cuban seismologists tell us of a very intense earthquake, and also of the possibility of other events following.

Following the advice of the geophysicists, we are keeping the 7045 and 3720 kiloHertz frequencies active until further notice

# 959. Frequencies Be Kept Clear After Massive Earthquake Strikes Haiti

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2010-01-13 20:40:24 UTC
From: w4uoc@aol.com
Topic: 959  Message: 959

SB SPCL @ ARL $ARLX002
ARLX002 IARU Region 2 Requests Frequencies Be Kept Clear After
Massive Earthquake Strikes Haiti

ZCZC AX02
QST de W1AW
Special Bulletin 2 ARLX002
From ARRL Headquarters
Newington CT January 13, 2010
To all radio amateurs

SB SPCL ARL ARLX002
ARLX002 IARU Region 2 Requests Frequencies Be Kept Clear After
Massive Earthquake Strikes Haiti

On Tuesday, January 12 at 4:53 PM Haiti time (2153 UTC), a magnitude 7.0 earthquake hit 10 miles (15 kilometers) west of Port-au-Prince, the island nation's capital. Communications in and out of Haiti have been disrupted. No word has been received as of yet from any of Haitian Amateur Radio operators. The ARRL encourages US amateurs to be aware of the emergency operations on the following frequencies: 7.045 and 3.720 MHz (IARU Region 2 nets), 14.265, 7.265 and 3.977 MHz (SATERN nets), and 14.300 MHz (Intercontinental Assistance and Traffic Net). The International Radio Emergency Support Coalition (IRESC) is also active on EchoLink node 278173.

IARU Region 2 Area C Emergency Coordinator, Arnie Coro, CO2KK, is coordinating a multi-national response by hams. There are organized nets on 7.045 and 3.720 MHz; amateurs are asked to monitor the frequencies, but to also keep them clear of non-essential traffic. Amateur Radio operators should also be aware that emergency traffic pertaining to the Haitian earthquake is expected on the SATERN frequencies of 14.265 MHz, 7.265 MHz and 3977 MHz, according to SATERN's leader, Major Pat McPherson. The Salvation Army is accepting health and welfare traffic requests on its Web site.

"As late as 9:45 PM local time (0245 UTC), we have not been able to contact any amateur or emergency services stations in Haiti," Coro said in an e-mail. "Amateurs from Cuba, the Dominican Republic, Puerto Rico and Venezuela are monitoring the 40 meter band frequency. We are still keeping watch on 7.045 MHz, hoping that someone in Haiti may have access to a transceiver and at least a car battery to run it," but so far. no HH stations have checked in.

Tuesday's quake was felt in the Dominican Republic, which shares the island of Hispaniola with Haiti, and in Eastern Cuba, but no major

damage was reported in either place.

The January 13 edition of The Daily DX reported that the Rev John Henault, HH6JH, made contact late Wednesday morning with the Intercontinental Assistance and Traffic Net (IATN) on 14.300 MHz; this is the IARU Global Center of Activity frequency for emergency communications. He said that he was safe, but had no power and no phone service. He was operating on battery power and hoping to get a generator running later in the day. The edition also noted that Pierre Petry, HH2/HB9AMO -- who was in Cap Haitien (about 140 km north of Port-au-Prince) is "okay"; Petry is in Haiti working for the United Nations World Food Program. Later today, he will be traveling to the capital.

The UN's 9000 peacekeepers in Haiti -- many of whom are from Brazil -- were distracted from aid efforts by their own tragedy: Many spent the night hunting for survivors in the ruins of their headquarters. "It would appear that everyone who was in the building, including my friend Hedi Annabi, the United Nations' Secretary General's special envoy, and everyone with him and around him, are dead," French Foreign Minister Bernard Kouchner said Wednesday, speaking on French radio. UN peacekeeping chief Alain Le Roy would not confirm that Annabi was dead, but said he was among more than 100 people missing in the rubble of its headquarters. He said only about 10 people had been pulled out, many of them badly injured. Fewer than five bodies had been pulled from the rubble, he said.

The United Nations said the capital's main airport was "fully operational" and that relief flights would begin on Wednesday, January 13.

The situation in Haiti is still chaotic. More information will be posted as soon as possible. Information is being validated and shared between many amateur groups and news sources as it unfolds.
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# 960. Notivication of potential activation of the North American Mission Board station

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2010-01-13 21:36:15 UTC
From: w4uoc@aol.com
Topic: 960  Message: 960

We may be asked to provide ham operators for the Baptist North American Mission Board to assist with their needs to support the Disaster Recovery Efforts for the Haiti Earthquake.

Those with ARES training and experience are asked to respond to me Tom Koch EC NFARES, Jim Paine N4SEC AEC NFARES and Jim Hadder KE4ZX as to your willingness and availability to assist at the NAMB headquarters, if it becomes necessary to activate the use of the NAMB ham station. Since most of the communications efforts for this event will be on HF frequencies it will require that those who volunteer hold at least a General Class License.

We expect we would operate with two eight hours shifts to run during the daylight hours for a period of several days to weeks. As of this time we don't know when our communications support will be requested.

If you are interested and available to help for multiple shifts, please respond with the following information:

Name Call Sign License Class
email address Telephone Number
Tom Koch W4UOC Extra
_w4uoc@..._ (mailto:w4uoc@...) 404-314-6109

We will contact you as soon as we can determine the needs to support his activity.

Copy your response to all of the following:
W4UOC _W4UOC@..._ (mailto:W4UOC@...) EC NFARES
N4SEC _jpaine@..._ (mailto:jpaine@...) AEC
NFARES
KE4ZX _jehadder@..._ (mailto:jehadder@...) NAMB
Communications Manager

# 961. NAMB Disaster Relief Support

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2010-01-14 16:45:16 UTC
From: w4uoc@aol.com
Topic: 961  Message: 961

NAMB Volunteers
Name Call Sign License Class
emailddress TelephoneNumber Experienced with:
Dan McKenzie AA4FA Extra _aa4fa@..._
(mailto:aa4fa@...) 423-991-5689 2
Chuck Catledge AE4CW Extra
_ae4cw@..._ (mailto:ae4cw@...) 770-641-7729
4,5
Tom Koch W4UOC Extra
_w4uoc@..._ (mailto:w4uoc@...) (mailto:w4ouc@...)
404-314-6109 1,2,3,4
Mike Cohen AD4MC Extra
_ad4mc@..._ (mailto:ad4mc@...) 770-262-5212
1,2,3,4
CLYDE MCCLAIN KJ4MIJ GENERAL
_kj4mij@..._ (mailto:kj4mij@...) 404-293-4070
David Higdon KD4ICT Extra _dhigdon@..._
(mailto:dhigdon@...) 770-845-8559
Jim Paine N4SEC General
_jpaine@..._ (mailto:jpaine@...) 770-335-3018
1,3,4,5
Jim Stafford W4QO Extra
_w4qo@..._ (mailto:w4qo@...) 404-218-8185
1,2,3,4,5
Experienced with:
1 Echolink
2 Winlink
3 D-Star
4 PSK
5 HF Remote Operation

We are somewhat concerned about the reception of HF at the NAMB and have considered asking if we could also operate the NFARL club remote HF rig from the NAMB as a back up receive/transmit site. That is why I have indicated those I know that have experience utilizing that remote set up. If you have additional experience I have not indicated please reply via email and I will insert the corrections or amendments to that information.
Tom Koch - W4UOC
EC - NFARES

# 962. NAMB Information Update

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2010-01-14 22:04:43 UTC
From: w4uoc@aol.com
Topic: 962  Message: 962

(http://www.baptistglobalresponse.com/new/data_files/newsphoto/177/large_photo_1_177.jpg)
Search and rescue...
Jan 14, 2010
NASHVILLE, Tenn. – A Southern Baptist assessment team is working out logistics for a trip into Haiti early the week of Jan. 18, to connect with Haitian Baptist leaders and craft plans for disaster relief efforts in the aftermath of the 7.0 earthquake that struck the island Jan. 12.
The international community is rallying to meet urgent needs – from food, water and medical services to transportation and security, according to news reports. Search and rescue teams began combing the massive amount of rubble in the devastated capital, Port-au-Prince. Military teams from other countries began establishing communications, transport and security services – critical needs in a country where government offices and basic infrastructure were destroyed by the largest earthquake in 200 years.
The death toll among the city's 3 million inhabitants could top 100,000, Haiti's prime minister told reporters Jan. 13.
Serious security concerns could emerge as people become more desperate for food and water in areas where police and military control has not been established, said Jim Brown, U.S. director for Baptist Global Response. The capital's main prison also collapsed in the earthquake, raising the prospect of criminals escaping into the city. As a result, near-term attempts to travel to the country would be ill-advised.
The five-member assessment team will evaluate ministry needs like rescue operations, medical services and shelter, as well as logistical concerns like transportation and security, Brown said. A separate Florida Baptist disaster relief team is planning its own assessment trip for the weekend and the two teams will collaborate in their reporting to the national Southern Baptist disaster relief network. The teams also will report back on long-term strategies to help Haitians rebuild their lives.
"There are two Baptist conventions in Haiti and the Florida Baptist Convention has historically partnered with one convention while the International Mission Board has partnered with the other," Brown said. "We will combine our findings to draft the overall strategy."
The Southern Baptist assessment team will be composed of representatives from Baptist Global Response, North American Mission Board and disaster relief specialists from Kentucky, Mississippi and South Carolina, Brown said.
Initial funding for the relief effort is coming from the International Mission Board's disaster relief fund. New contributions toward the relief effort can be made at the Baptist Global Response website, gobgr.org. Money donated to the relief effort will be used 100 percent for ministry in Haiti, Brown said.

# 963. NAMB Disaster Assistance - Update

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2010-01-15 15:46:51 UTC
From: w4uoc@aol.com
Topic: 963  Message: 963

Here is a message from Georgia Baptist Convention that help's explain
current situation in Haiti and why the process is so slow for volunteer groups.
A Baptist Global Response Assememnt Team is suppose to arrive Sunday in
Port-au-Prince to provide better information regarding future deployment.

Jim Hadder

From: Stuart Lang [mailto:_slang@gabaptist. org_
(http://us.mg204.mail.yahoo.com/dc/slang@...) ]
Sent: Thursday, January 14, 2010 1:53 PM
Subject: Haiti update

I just finished a conference call with NAMB and other state directors
concerning the relief efforts in Haiti and wanted to offer the following
update.

* There is little or no fuel and no power in Port Au Prince. People are
beginning to run out of food and water. They are sleeping outside because
they are afraid to go in their houses.

* Despite what you see on the news, Port Au Prince is basically shut down.
There is no traffic. Those who got to the airport to report the news are
getting no further than 1/2 mile from the airport. Transportation and
logistics inside the country are very scarce.

* The sea port of Port Au Prince is also shut down which means the country
has no way of receiving relief items. This means we do NOT need to begin
collecting clothes, food, or anything else except monetary donations.

* The US government is asking that all volunteer organizations NOT
SELF-DEPLOY.

* Communication from the country is also scarce, and practically
nonexistent
from the Port Au Prince area. The Florida Baptist Convention is still
trying to get hold of pastors and missionaries that have partnered with for
the past 15 years. They have not been able to get any word except from
outlying areas.

One of our DR unit directors sent me an email that an Haitian pastor here
in
GBC got very tragic news from his brother, a pastor in Haiti. The brother
in Haiti is burying all of his children, and has not yet been able to
locate
his own mother to know if she is okay or not.

This is one of those times when hundreds of thousands of people are in desperate need of help, and our hands are tied. All we can do is: 1) pray; 2) respect and support the system that's in place to provide help, and; 3) encourage our churches to give monetarily, and not NOT self-deploy. There will be ways to help as things unfold and we will do our best to communicate
as effectively as possible when that time comes.

Stuart Lang

GBC Consultant,
Associational Mission Action
6405 Sugarloaf Parkway
Duluth, GA 30097-4092
770-936-5254

# 964. North Fulton ARES Net, 1/17/2010, 8:30 pm

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2010-01-16 01:25:16 UTC
From: nfares@yahoogroups.com
Topic: 964  Message: 964

Reminder from: nfares Yahoo! Group
http://groups.yahoo.com/group/nfares/cal

North Fulton ARES Net
Sunday January 17, 2010
8:30 pm - 9:30 pm
(This event repeats every week.)
Location: 147.060 MHz (plus 600kHz) PL 100.0. Backup is 145.470 MHz (minus 600 kHz) PL 100.0

Notes:
Please remember that both repeaters now require a PL tone of 100.0 Hz

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# 965. NFARES - Haiti update - NAMB Disaster Recovery Teams

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2010-01-16 13:34:46 UTC
From: w4uoc@aol.com
Topic: 965  Message: 965

Haiti update

Good Evening Folks,

Forwarded is the latest information on Haiti. For probably quite some time, it appears Southern Baptist DR Teams will not be deploying to Haiti. If you have been watching news reports, the safety of those in the area cannot be guaranteed. Please pay close attention to the subjects at the
end of Stuart's report. One difficulty with Amateur Radio operators going to
Haiti will be complying with the terms and application procedures of the Reciprocal License Agreement between Haiti and the Unites States. With the government of Haiti disrupted, it will be a difficult and lengthy process to apply for the needed permits unless a waiver or suspension could be worked out between the governments. I will forward information as it becomes
available.

# 966. Haiti Earthquake

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2010-01-16 13:44:29 UTC
From: w4uoc@aol.com
Topic: 966  Message: 966

Haiti Earthquake: "It's Chaos, I'm Telling You -- It's Real Chaos"

On Tuesday, January 12 at 4:53 PM Haiti time (2153 UTC), a magnitude 7.0 earthquake hit 10 miles (15 kilometers) west of Port-au-Prince, the island nation's capital. Communications in and out of Haiti have been disrupted. The ARRL encourages US amateurs to be aware of the emergency operations on the following frequencies: 7.045 and 3.720 MHz (IARU Region 2 nets), 14.265, 7.265 and 3.977 MHz (SATERN nets), and 14.300 MHz (Intercontinental Assistance and Traffic Net); the International Radio Emergency Support Coalition (IRESC) is also active on EchoLink node 278173.
There was no firm estimate on how many people were killed by Tuesday's quake. Haitian President Rene Preval said the toll could be in the thousands: "Let's say that it's too early to give a number."
Tuesday's quake was felt in the Dominican Republic, which shares the island of Hispaniola with Haiti, and in Eastern Cuba, but no major damage was reported in either place. The January 13 edition of _The Daily DX_ (http://www.dailydx.com/) reported that the Rev John Henault, HH6JH, made contact late Wednesday morning with the Intercontinental Assistance and Traffic Net (IATN) on 14.300 MHz; this is the IARU Global Center of Activity frequency for emergency communications. He said that he was safe, but had no power and no phone service. He was operating on battery power and hoping to get a generator running later in the day. The edition also noted that Pierre Petry, HH2/HB9AMO -- who was in Cap Haitien (about 140 km north of Port-au-Prince) is safe; Petry is in Haiti working for the United Nations World Food Program.
On Wednesday afternoon, Fred Moore, W3ZU, assisted Jean-Robert Gaillard, HH2JR, with a phone patch to his friend Ariel in Miami. "It's bad, it literally is bad," Gaillard told Ariel. "We don't know how many people are dead. We do not know what to expect. It's chaos, I'm telling you -- it's real chaos. We are really in a disaster area. It's really a war zone. Many, many buildings in the downtown area are stripped from the ground with many people buried underneath them - you name it, it's bad." Gaillard, who lives in Port-au-Prince, was using his neighbor's generator to make the contact. "It's really chaotic. I've never been in a war, but this is what a war zone would be like. Dead bodies all over the place, dead bodies buried. All I can tell you is that I'm okay, my house is okay. We've had 30 aftershocks, the main one yesterday. We are expecting some more shocks, so I'm a bit nervous to be inside the house."
According to IARU Region 3 Disaster Communications Chairman Jim Linton, VK3PC, members of the Radio Club Dominicano (_RCD_ (http://www.radioclubdominicano.com/) ) -- the Dominican Republic's IARU Member-Society -- and Union
Dominicana de Radio Aficionados (_UDRA_ (http://hi8ud.es.tl/) ) are preparing to go to Port au Prince on the morning of Friday, January 15, where they will install HI8RCD/HH, an emergency radio communications station and a

mobile station.
FEMA Administrator Craig Fugate advised that US assets should not self-deploy to affected areas. "Initial reports from Haiti in the wake of yesterday's earthquake are concerning and troubling," he said. "During times like these, the emergency response community always stands ready to assist those in need. The United States Department of State has the lead for foreign disaster assistance, and US assets should deploy only if tasked to do so by the State Department. The most urgent need that the response community can fulfill at this time is supporting ongoing disaster relief fund-raising efforts."
On Thursday, planes carrying teams from China and France, Spain and the United States landed at Port-au-Prince's airport with searchers and tons of water, food, medicine and other supplies -- with more promised from around the globe. US Secretary of State Hillary Rodham Clinton said that "tens of thousands, we fear, are dead" and said United States and the world must do everything possible to help Haiti surmount its "cycle of hope and despair."
The US Army said a detachment of more than 100 soldiers from the 82nd Airborne Division was heading out from Fort Bragg in North Carolina, looking for locations to set up tents and other essentials in preparation for the arrival of another 800 personnel on Friday. That's in addition to some 2200 Marines to be sent, as the military prepares to help with security, search and rescue missions and the delivery of humanitarian supplies. More than a half-dozen US military ships also are expected to help, with the largest, the aircraft carrier USS Carl Vinson, arriving later Thursday.
Calls to emergency services weren't getting through because systems that connect different phone networks were still not working, said officials from a telecommunications provider in Haiti. The International Telecommunication Union (_ITU_ (http://www.itu.int/) ) is deploying 40 satellite terminals and 60 units with broadband facility to re-establish basic communication links, along with experts to operate them. The ITU will also set up "a reliable, responsive and complete cellular system designed to enable vital wireless communications aimed at strengthening response and recovery mechanisms in a disaster zone," said ITU Emergency Communications Division Chief Cosmas Zavazava. The ITU has allocated a budget of more than $1 million US dollars to strengthen the disaster response effort in Haiti.
ITU Secretary-General Hamadoun Touré, HB9EHT, expressed his solidarity with the people of Haiti and offered his condolences to the bereaved victims of the disaster. "The whole world is in shock following the devastation and untold misery caused by the earthquake in Haiti," Dr Touré said. "ITU will do everything possible to provide assistance to the people of Haiti by re-establishing telecommunication links which will be vital in the rescue and rehabilitation efforts in the days ahead."
"The scope of the disaster clearly shows that the response to this is going to be a long term effort," said ARRL Media and Public Relations Manager Allen Pitts, W1AGP. "The ARRL has been in contact with communications leaders of the American Red Cross and Salvation Army, as well as other key Amateur Radio operators throughout the region. As teams from the hundreds of responding agencies worldwide are formed for deployment, many will have Amateur Radio components. ARRL is committed to providing communications aid to our served agencies and working with the international community in this time

of crisis. At this time there are no known requests from agencies for amateurs to travel to Haiti, but this can change. If it develops that there are ARES® assignments for a deployment in Haiti, these will be vetted and processed through each Section's Section Emergency Coordinators."
The situation in Haiti is still chaotic. More information will be posted as soon as possible. Information is being validated and shared between many amateur groups and news sources as it unfolds.

# 967. Weekly North Fulton Amateur Radio Emergency Service Net - January 17, 2010

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2010-01-18 02:14:05 UTC
From: sstaton@mindspring.com
Topic: 967  Message: 967

We had 17 stations check into the January 17th NFARES net:

KD9RU Dave (Milton)
KG5WU Wayne (Sandy Springs)
W4QO Jim (Roswell)
N4BTA Brett (Alpharetta)
N4SEC Jim (Alpharetta)
K4YJI Bill (East Cobb/battery power)
AE4CW Chuck (East Cobb)
KJ4MIJ Clyde (North Dekalb/Dunwoody)
K4HBI Mike (Gwinnett ARES)
AF4FO Susan (Gwinnett ARES)
K4KGA Mike (Kennesaw, Cobb ARES)
KJ4HCB Paul (Dunwoody)
WW3A Reed (AEC - Pickens County)
KJ4HCC Susan (Dunwoody)
KJ4IHL Jerry (Coweta County)
KJ4QYR Daniel (Marietta)
KD4NKE Shelia (Net Control)

Announcements:

A state-wide ARES meeting will be held on 1/23/10 at the Georgia State Patrol Training Center from 10:00 a.m. until 5:00 p.m.. Anyone interested in attending is welcome. Please contact Jim (N4SEC) if you plan to attend. N4SEC @...

A new CW SIG begins this Thursday, 1/21/10, at Jim's (W4QO) house at 7:00 p.m. There is also an online version available. More information can be found at www.nfarl.org.

The North Fulton Amateur Radio League monthly meeting will be held on Tuesday, 1/19/10 beginning at 7:30 p.m. at the Masonic Lodge in Alpharetta. Dinner will be at SmokeJack prior to the meeting for anyone who would like to attend. More information can be found at www.nfarl.org.

The net concluded at 8:50 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Shelia
KD4NKE
AEC - City of Sandy Springs

# 968. Communications director for ING Georgia Marathon

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2010-01-20 03:59:46 UTC
From: David Ziskind, KE4QLH
Topic: 968  Message: 968

I have decided to step aside as the communications director for the 2010 ING Georgia Marathon (March 21, 2010).  I have agreed to pass on some names of potential replacements.  (I will continue to organize communications for the Peachtree Road Race on July 4 and the Atlanta Marathon and Half Marathon on Thanksgiving Day).

An out-of-town group who produces a number of events is handling operations/logistics, but they want a local comms person.  They appear to be ham-friendly, and are interested in increasing the number of ham radio operators on the course.  My comms role in the past has also included managing commercial radios and Internet access, but they are open to the possibility of having someone just manage the hams.

Please let me know ASAP if you are interested in this role.

73,
David Ziskind KE4QLH
ke4qlh@...

# 969. North American Mission Board (NAMB) & MARS

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2010-01-20 22:46:27 UTC
From: Jim Paine
Topic: 969  Message: 969

All,

NFARES supports NAMB and has been asked to identify any current or recently active Army MARS members. There is a possibility NAMB may use MARS hams in their initial Haiti efforts. NAMB is in only the preliminary planning stages so far with amateur radio assistance. If you are Army Mars and would be interested in being contacted if NAMB rolls out this plan, please let me know. I need your name,call sign,email address and phone number. Please email me direct at jim_paine@...

Thanks

Jim Paine - N4SEC AEC NFARES

jim_paine@...

# 970. North Fulton ARES Net, 1/24/2010, 8:30 pm

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2010-01-23 01:25:26 UTC
From: nfares@yahoogroups.com
Topic: 970  Message: 970

Reminder from: nfares Yahoo! Group
http://groups.yahoo.com/group/nfares/cal

North Fulton ARES Net
Sunday January 24, 2010
8:30 pm - 9:30 pm
(This event repeats every week.)
Location: 147.060 MHz (plus 600kHz) PL 100.0. Backup is 145.470 MHz (minus 600 kHz) PL 100.0

Notes:
Please remember that both repeaters now require a PL tone of 100.0 Hz

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# 971. Damage Assessment Training

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2010-01-25 18:22:55 UTC
From: w4uoc@aol.com
Topic: 971  Message: 971
Attachments: 1 described; binary payloads are missing from this source WARC

Sorry for the late notice on this as I have been out of the country. As previously mentioned there will be a Damage Assessment Training course conducted by GEMA for city emergency responders and our NFARES organization. Please respond directly to Jeff Scarbrough if you plan to attend. _jeff.scarbrough@..._ (mailto:jeff.scarbrough@...)

Tom Koch - EC NFARES
Everyone,
We will be hosting (disaster) damage assessment training offered by GEMA next week on January 26th from 8am until 1pm at City Hall (see attached flyer). There is no cost but please email me if you plan to attend so we can plan appropriately.

Jeff T. Scarbrough
Fire Marshal/EMA Coordinator Sandy Springs Fire Rescue
7840 Roswell Road, Bldg 500 Sandy Springs, Ga.
30350 phone: 770-206-2077

# 972. Damage Assessment Training Class for NFARES Members

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2010-01-25 18:39:03 UTC
From: w4uoc@aol.com
Topic: 972  Message: 972
Attachments: 3 described; binary payloads are missing from this source WARC

When: January 26th 8am to 1pm
Where: Sandy Springs City Hall
Training Room
7840 Roswell Road, Bldg 500
Sandy Springs, Georgia 30350
Who: Emergency Responders, Building Inspectors, Public Works staff, CERT members, etc.

Cost: FREE

Sheri Russo from GEMA will be teaching a Two Part Damage Assessment Training Class Covering Individual Assistance & Public Assistance.

# 973. Haiti Amateur Radio Frequency Update/Reciprocal Operating Clearance

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2010-01-25 20:01:28 UTC
From: w4uoc@aol.com
Topic: 973  Message: 973

SB SPCL ARL ARLX003
ARLX003 Haiti Amateur Radio Frequency Update/Reciprocal Operating Clearance

Considering the improving communications situation in Haiti, Dr Cesar Pio Santos, HR2P, IARU Region 2 EMCOR, announced the release of HF frequencies, including 7.045 and 3.720 MHz, for normal use. He states, "We thank the world radio amateur community for their support in keeping these frequencies clear during the past days."

In addition, CONATEL (the Haitian Telecomm regulator) has set up temporary offices and released a public notice. Amateurs wishing to operate in Haiti to assist with disaster relief need to contact CONATEL to get formal reciprocal operating clearance.

The text of the CONATEL public notice is as follows:

The National Council of Telecommunications (CONATEL) hereby notifies the general public, and those particularly impacted, that following the widespread damage caused by the violent earthquake of January 12, 2010, a satellite office of CONATEL was installed at Number 97 of the Avenue Panaméricaine in Pétion-Ville with the goal of assuring the continuity of its work. This arrangement will allow, among other things, better coordination for establishing a temporary emergency telecommunications network in Haiti.

Consequently, all concerned are asked to contact CONATEL at the above mentioned address between 9 AM and 1 PM and throughout the day at the following telephone numbers: (you must dial the international calling code 011 and then the Haitian country code 509 first): 3454-0541, 2516-0000 or 3702-1414, or at these e-mail addresses: techommunication@... or info@....ht before any use of telecommunications equipment or the spectrum resources.

We hope to avoid interference problems and possible conflicts between the incumbent operators established in Haiti and those who are newly operating in this unusual circumstance.

The National Council of Telecommunications (CONATEL), while thanking the telecommunications service providers for all their efforts to keep their networks operational despite the widespread damage that has been noted, takes this opportunity to offer its sympathies to the families of the victims of the earthquake. Port-au-Prince, January 20, 2010, Montaigne Marcelin, Director Général.
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# 974. Ares Net Report 1-24-2010

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2010-01-26 15:39:26 UTC
From: David Hazell KD9RU
Topic: 974  Message: 974

The NFARES net conducted 1-24-2010 had check-ins from the following stations.

W4CNG - Steve ADEC/ Atlanta

N4SEC - JIM Alpharetta

N4JDO - Marty Marietta

K4YJI - Bill E. Cobb (Emergency Power)

KG5WU - Wayne Sandy Springs

AD4MC - Mike Sandy Springs (Emergency Power)

N4MPB - Karen Johns Creek

KJ4MIJ - Clyde Dunwoody

KJ4NRN - Edward E. Cobb

WB4NWS - Jim EC/Cherokee County

AG4WY - Mark Atlanta

KI4HPX - Victor Alpharetta

KJ4HCB -Paul Dunwoody

KJ4HCC -Susan Dunwoody

KD9RU - Dave Milton Net Control

ANNOUNCEMENTS None

In total there were 15 check-ins. The net concluded at 08:42 PM EST.

# 975. North Fulton ARES Net, 1/31/2010, 8:30 pm

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2010-01-30 01:25:41 UTC
From: nfares@yahoogroups.com
Topic: 975  Message: 975

Reminder from: nfares Yahoo! Group
http://groups.yahoo.com/group/nfares/cal

North Fulton ARES Net
Sunday January 31, 2010
8:30 pm - 9:30 pm
(This event repeats every week.)
Location: 147.060 MHz (plus 600kHz) PL 100.0. Backup is 145.470 MHz (minus 600 kHz) PL 100.0

Notes:
Please remember that both repeaters now require a PL tone of 100.0 Hz

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# 976. North American Mission Board - Disaster Relief Communications

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2010-01-30 14:58:32 UTC
From: w4uoc@aol.com
Topic: 976  Message: 976

I will be attending a deployment briefing at the North American Mission Board headquarters in Alpharetta, GA on Monday, Feb 2nd. The NAMB will initially be sending medical support teams from the US to Haiti along with an initial communication group, to include Jim Hadder KE4ZX and other amateurs from the area. These hams will provide communications within the island of Haiti and to the NAMB headquarters in Alpharetta utilizing MARS frequencies due to the scope of their involvement with various governmental and international disaster relief agencies. In addition these frequencies will be used to avoid the congestion in the normal ham bands.

At the NAMB headquarters station, in Alpharetta, GA, we will be operating under the NAMB MARS station license which is AAN4DR and it is not necessary to have a MARS operator license to operate the station. However, it will require a licensed and experienced amateurs to support of this continuing effort.

I will update you with additional information following the briefings on Monday!

Tom Koch - W4UOC
EC - NFARES

# 977. North Fulton County ARES Meeting, 2/9/2010, 7:00 pm

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2010-02-03 00:07:33 UTC
From: nfares@yahoogroups.com
Topic: 977  Message: 977

Reminder from: nfares Yahoo! Group
http://groups.yahoo.com/group/nfares/cal

North Fulton County ARES Meeting
Tuesday February 9, 2010
7:00 pm - 8:30 pm
(This event repeats every month on the second Tuesday.)
(The next reminder for this event will be sent in 5 days, 23 hours, 52 minutes.)
Location: Sandy Springs City Council Chambers
Street: Morgan Falls Office Park, 7840 Roswell Road Building 500
City State Zip: Sandy Springs, GA 30350

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# 978. Feb 09 NFARES Agenda

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2010-02-04 21:35:04 UTC
From: w4uoc@aol.com
Topic: 978  Message: 978

Tuesday, Feb 9th NFARES Agenda/Action Plans

1. Activation of the North American Mission Board (NAMB) Disaster Recovery Communications Support.
Qualified NFARES members will monitor and provide communications support for the deployed NAMB
amateur radio operators currently in Haiti, Communications schedules will on both amateur radio and
Army MARS frequencies. Modes of operation will include WinLink, SSB, Echolink and D-Star/D-Rats.

2. Training in support of the Chat/Comm 911 jurisdictions which include Sandy Springs and Johns Creek
will include a program to train our NFARES group on GEMA's "Damage Assessment Process".

3. An organization chart and emergency deployment plan in support of the communication back up procedures
for Chat/Comm jurisdictions, which include Sandy Springs and Johns Creek will be review for future
needs. A minimum of 10 amateurs will be needed to provide support of the Chat/Comm 911 center,
Sandy Springs EOC, four fire stations in Sandy Springs and three Johns Creek stations. If needed
this would require two 12 hour shifts and could possible be in operation for multiple days.

The assignments/need would include, at a minimum, 1 amateur at each of 7 fire stations, 1 amateur at
the Chat/Com 911 Center and 1 amateur with the Battalion Chiefs for both Sandy Springs and Johns
Creek.

4. Assign teams to complete antenna installations or repairs at the following fire stations.

Sandy Springs #1, Spaulding and Roberts Road - Install new VHF/UHF antenna
Johns Creek #63 - Install new VHF/UHF antenna
Johns Creek #62 - Install new VHF/UHF antenna
Johns Creek #61 - Repair coax on existing VHF tower

# 979. Re: Reported by: North Fulton County EC, Thomas Koch, W4UOC

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2010-02-05 14:55:24 UTC
From: w4uoc@aol.com
Topic: 979  Message: 979

WAYNE,

Thanks for submitting these reports....

Tom Koch - W4uoc

In a message dated 2/5/2010 6:17:16 A.M. Eastern Standard Time,
monthlyreports@... writes:

Georgia ARES monthly report for January, 2010
Reported by: North Fulton County EC, Thomas Koch, W4UOC
Report submitted by: KG5WU, Wayne Chapman - OTHER

Total number of ARES members in your group is: 15
Change since last month: 0
Name of your Local ARES Net: North Fulton ARES
Net Frequency: 147.060 + 100.0
Day of the week: Sunday
Time of the Net: 2030L
Total of Nets this month: 5
NTS Liaison: GSN
Drills, Tests and Training sessions: 6
Drills, Tests and Training Man Hours: 65
Public Service Events: 0
Public Service Man Hours: 0
Emergency Operations: 0
Emergency Operations Man Hours: 0
Misc Activities: 4
Misc man hours: 14
TOTAL ARES OPERATIONS: 10
TOTAL ARES MAN HOURS: 79
Comments:

# 980. North Fulton ARES Net, 2/7/2010, 8:30 pm

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2010-02-06 01:25:24 UTC
From: nfares@yahoogroups.com
Topic: 980  Message: 980

Reminder from: nfares Yahoo! Group
http://groups.yahoo.com/group/nfares/cal

North Fulton ARES Net
Sunday February 7, 2010
8:30 pm - 9:30 pm
(This event repeats every week.)
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# 981. Hams in Haiti

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2010-02-07 18:48:06 UTC
From: w4uoc@aol.com
Topic: 981  Message: 981

Photo: ARRL
BY Anne-Marie Corley // January 2010

27 January 2010—Two weeks after a magnitude 7.3 earthquake devastated Haiti, amateur radio operators are hard at work there connecting rescuers within the country and to the outside world. But they are switching gears from rescue mode to recovery mode as aid workers set up camp and distribute food, water, medical supplies, and other aid to survivors.
This has been ”the most challenging of any disaster response I’ve been part of in terms of communication,” says Maj. Pat McPherson, who heads the _Salvation Army Team Emergency Radio Network (SATERN)_ (http://www.satern.org/) , which embeds amateur radio operators, or hams, with local Salvation
Army recovery teams in disaster areas.
In part, he says, the difficulty has been a dearth of amateur operators in Haiti.
Ham operators have a history of responding to emergencies, including during the _2004 tsunami in Southeast Asia_ (http://www.arrl.org/news/stories/2005/01/04/2/) and Hurricane Katrina in 2005. ”Hams hold down the fort until
regular communication infrastructure is able to be rebuilt,” says Allen Pitts, media and PR manager for the _ARRL_ (http://www.arrl.org/) , the U.S. membership organization for amateur radio operators. Hams were the ones reporting the levee break during Katrina, Pitts says, and drug theft from nurses during the chaotic aftermath of the hurricane. And in Haiti, ”some of the earliest information about the severity of the earthquake was coming out from amateur radio operators,” Pitts says.
The difference in Haiti, however, is twofold. First, the communication infrastructure, while heavily damaged, was still functioning at times. ”It may have been overloaded,” Pitts says, but it wasn’t totally destroyed. That wasn’t the case during Katrina, especially in the first 48 hours, so amateur radio ”was the only game in town,” Pitts explains. ”But it worked, because hams were there.”
Which leads to the other difference in Haiti: The country is home to very few amateur operators in the first place. Though there are around 100 to 120 ham licenses active for Haiti, according to Pitts, only about seven or eight operators were actually in Haiti as far as the ARRL can determine.
According to Bill Pasternak, the president and cofounder of the _Amateur Radio Newsline_ (http://www.arnewsline.org/index.php?option=content&task=view&id=18&Itemid=) , which broadcast audio from one ham operator outside
Port-au-Prince soon after the earthquake hit, most of the operators who have Haitian licenses aren’t even Haitian but rather missionaries and aid workers who travel in and out of the country.
Pitts says that the ARRL has heard from only a few operators, most from

outside Port-au-Prince, though one operator did radio in from the city just to let the organization know he was alive. ”The ones that were there did all they could,” Pitts says, ”but we haven’t heard from all of them.” It is likely that some were killed, Pitts speculates. Others may have been concerned with safety, McPherson suggests, so hams in Haiti have been ”on and off the air,” he says.

Hams use different bands of the radio spectrum depending on the purpose of their calls. The HF band, which operators were using early on to call out of Haiti and reach their families and friends, is what lets amateurs in their backyards bounce signals off the ionosphere to talk to anyone around the world. The VHF and UHF bands, however, require line of sight to transmit a signal and are best for shorter-range communications.

Now, as rescue gives way to recovery in Haiti, and as Haitian hams call out less frequently with emergency messages, Red Cross and Salvation Army teams are turning to VHF and UHF frequencies to communicate and coordinate the distribution of recovery supplies. That means traffic on HF frequencies has cleared up. So on Sunday, two HF frequencies that had been kept clear for emergency radio traffic were released for normal use by the International Amateur Radio Union’s emergency coordinator for Region 2, the region that includes Haiti.

Because VHF and UHF frequencies don’t travel far, particularly in the hilly hinterland outside Port-au-Prince, they need a boost to their signals. To help out, hams from the neighboring Dominican Republic have traveled into Haiti several times to set up equipment, despite being attacked by looters last week. They set up a 2-meter analog repeater high on a mountain close to the Haiti–Dominican Republic border. The repeater takes in weak signals—even one from a clip-on radio putting out just 5 watts—and rebroadcasts those signals on a different frequency and at a higher power.

Dominican operators installed a second repeater near the airport in Port-au-Prince and were expecting a third to arrive from ARRL Tuesday, which they will likely put in the region southeast of the capital.

# 982. North Fulton ARES - Meeting Announcement - Tuesday 2/9/2010

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2010-02-07 22:29:17 UTC
From: w4uoc@aol.com
Topic: 982  Message: 982
Attachments: 3 described; binary payloads are missing from this source WARC

North Fulton Amateur Radio Service
Feb. 9, 2010 7:00 p.m.
Sandy Springs City Council Chambers
Building 500
Morgan Falls Office Park

Agenda

NAMB – Haiti Disaster Relief Operations

The Damage Assessment Process – Training

NFARES - Projects

Thomas E. Koch
Emergency Coordinator - North Fulton Amateur Radio Emergency Service
(NFARES)
_w4uoc@..._ (mailto:w4uoc@...)
404-314-6109

# 983. North Fulton Amateur Radio Emergency Service Net Results for 2/7/10

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2010-02-08 17:27:36 UTC
From: sstaton@mindspring.com
Topic: 983  Message: 983

In spite of the SuperBowl, we had 11 check-ins for the 2/7/10 NFARES weekly net:

KG5WU - Wayne
KJ4HCB - Paul
W4UOC - Tom (battery power)
K4YJI - Bill (battery power)
KJ4MIJ - Clyde
KD4HCC - Susan
AA4FA - Dan
N4SEC - Jim (battery power)
AJ4NT - Matt
N4MPB - Karen (battery power)
KD4NKE - Shelia (Net Control)

Announcements:

Tom (W4UOC) reminded everyone of the monthly NFARES meeting to be held at Sandy Springs City Hall at 7 pm on Tuesday, February 9th. The agenda will include information on our support of the North American Mission Board/Haiti relief effort, damage assessment training, and antenna projects to be completed in North Fulton.

Anyone interested in dinner before the meeting is welcome to join us at Tijuana Joes (7870 Roswell Road, Sandy Springs, next door to City Hall) at 5:30 p.m.

Thank you to all who checked in. We appreciate your support!

The net concluded at 8:41 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Shelia
KD4NKE
AEC - City of Sandy Springs

# 984. North Fulton County ARES Meeting, 2/9/2010, 7:00 pm

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2010-02-09 00:07:33 UTC
From: nfares@yahoogroups.com
Topic: 977  Message: 984

Reminder from: nfares Yahoo! Group
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# 985. Fwd: //MARS R/Support for BAPTIST INCIDENT COMMAND HAITI

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2010-02-09 02:10:42 UTC
From: w4uoc@aol.com
Topic: 985  Message: 985

For your update is a email message I received via Paclink from Jim Hadder KE4ZX, now in Haiti with the North American Mission Board ( NAMB) Note the subject line used when passing Winlink traffic to a MARS station in Haiti.

To: W4UOC@...
CC: AAA9DR@...
Sent: 2/8/2010 4:01:03 P.M. Eastern Standard Time
Subj: //MARS R/Support for BAPTIST INCIDENT COMMAND HAITI

Tom,

Daily life here is ever changing. So is the Southern Baptist IC Ops job. The need for passing radio traffic is very low. Email works most of the time. The IC Team Leader, Terry Henderson has a BGAN IMARSAT unit, some cell's work, and volunteers text message ability have been doing well. Frank Metcalf, the MARS member with me, has checked in with his Tennessee Regional 4 Net on voice. Our mission here is to set-up IC Ops for all future volunteers yet to serve in Haiti.

Air Force MARS has a station operating on 146.52 simplex. Low traffic on 52 & 88. A few times when I have checked 14.300 I overheard several stations operating out of Haiti. Overall the MARS station is here for back-up and emergency communications should all before mention devices FAIL. Thanks for your help. Wish we had more work for you and NFARL.

Cheers from Hot & Humid
Port-au-Prince

Jim
AAN4DR-1
KE4ZX

# 986. NAMB Efforts in Haiti

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2010-02-10 23:16:09 UTC
From: w4uoc@aol.com
Topic: 986  Message: 986

Terry,

Terry Henderson's plan is to keep the Winlink station up and ready a least for now. Meantime a purchase was made today for a dozen Haitian cell phones. The plan will be to assign one to IC Ops and the rest will go with the team leaders of each group going out each day. For the long term, the SBC Business Band radio's might be considered. A few times when Frank or I have traveled in Port-au-Prince we have tried to use the Haiti 146.88 repeater but not with good results. And during the day I check the Winlink email's for messages. The use of the MARS frequencies has been a great help even with the low volume of messages forwarded out. Thanks to you and Tom Koch for your back-up support.

Jim \ KE4ZX

From: Terry <w4tl@...>
To: Southbears <Southbears@yahoogroups.com>
Sent: Tue, February 9, 2010 9:36:43 AM
Subject: [Southbears] Haiti Communications Team

In addition to the information that Doug posted regarding the Haiti Communications Team I would like to share the following. At the present there are two communicators on the IC team, Frank Metcalfe, AA4AE and Jim Hadder, KE4ZX. The equipment they are using is a Kenwood TS 2000 HF transceiver, an LDG AT 100 Pro external antenna tuner and a G5RV antenna and an SCS Pactor III modem, which is all part of the NAMB radio jump kit. The link below shows the station in operation with Frank using the station on MARS Packlink. They are also using the TS2000 for local VHF communications on 2 meters.
http://www.namb. net/site/ apps/nlnet/ content2. aspx?c=9qKILUOzE pH&b=228448&ct=7995191

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The two man comm team will be replaced by a solo communicator the week of February 15th. Tom Westerfield, WA4ZVL from Kentucky is scheduled to relieve Jim and Frank the week of February 15th for a two week rotation in Haiti with the second NAMB IC Team. No decision has been made at this time whether or not to send in communicators with future IC teams as normal communications methods appear to be working fairly well.

I'll try to keep you updated as I learn of any major changes.

73

Terry Jones, W4TL/AAA9DR
National Communications Coordinator

# 987. ARRL National Emergency Response Planning Committee report

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2010-02-11 02:01:32 UTC
From: Matthew Garland
Topic: 987  Message: 987

From the monthly ARRL GA section newsletter, something directed at us:

"Please take time to read the new report from the standing NERPC (National Emergency Response Planning Committee) of the ARRL: http://www.arrl.org/announce/reports-2007/january/NERPC-32aa.pdf. ALL AMATEURS interested in EMCOMM will read this document."

It addresses several of the topics we discussed in the last meeting.

Matt AJ4NT

# 988. NAMB - Disaster Relief - Haiti

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2010-02-12 13:34:28 UTC
From: w4uoc@aol.com
Topic: 988  Message: 988

Medical teams from South Carolina and Florida, along with the incident command and communications team, continue their work in Haiti. An Oklahoma medical team, Alabama-Georgia-Oklahoma water purification team, and Florida building assessment team arrived in Port-au-Prince Sunday. A medical team from Alabama will depart the U.S. on Tuesday for Santo Domingo, traveling overland to Port-Au-Prince on Wednesday.
Photo: The incident command post is set up in the Florida Mission House in Port-au-Prince, Haiti.

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Terry Jones, W4TL/AAA9DR
National Communications Coordinator

# 989. North Fulton ARES Net, 2/14/2010, 8:30 pm

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2010-02-13 01:25:29 UTC
From: nfares@yahoogroups.com
Topic: 989  Message: 989

Reminder from: nfares Yahoo! Group
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# 990. Ham gear for SALE

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2010-02-15 19:22:21 UTC
From: w4uoc@aol.com
Topic: 990  Message: 990

I have the following items for sale that remain from the estate of W4HR.

Icom-706 - 160-2 meter (ssb/cw/fm) - $400.00

Realistic HTX-100 10 Meter (ssb/cw) 25 watt transmitter - $ 100.00

MFJ 969 300 watt roller inductor antenna tuner - $150.00

Yeasu FT-1802 2 meter FM transceiver - $100.00

Kenwood TM-241A 2 meter FM transceiver - $100.00

Kenwood TR-751A 2 meter all mode (ssb/cw/fm) transceiver - $300.00

All of this equipment has been checked out by me and guaranteed to be in
good cosmetic and working condition.

Tom Koch - W4UOC
_w4uoc@..._ (mailto:w4uoc@...)
8170 Habersham Waters Road
Sandy Springs, GA 30350
404-314-6109

# 991. Fwd: [DSTAR_DIGITAL] ID-800 For Sale

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2010-02-19 20:23:35 UTC
From: w4uoc@aol.com
Topic: 991  Message: 991

This is a good deal!

Tom - W4UOC

I have an ID-800 with software, manuals, box, and cable for sale.

I am asking 350.00 plus shipping

I accept paypal.

Thanks

Greg Guthrie
N5NGO

# 992. North Fulton ARES Net, 2/21/2010, 8:30 pm

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2010-02-20 01:25:32 UTC
From: nfares@yahoogroups.com
Topic: 992  Message: 992

Reminder from: nfares Yahoo! Group
http://groups.yahoo.com/group/nfares/cal

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# 993. NFARES 2-meter net, Sunday, February 21, 2010

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2010-02-22 02:31:10 UTC
From: MikeC
Topic: 993  Message: 993

We had 13 check-ins on the NFARES 2-meter net, Sunday, February 21, 2010

W4UOC, Tom, EC, Sandy Springs
N4SEC, Jim, Alpharetta
K4YJI, Bill, E-Cobb, EP
N4SBD, Scott, Alpharetta, EP
AJ4NT, Matt, Dunwoody, EP
N4JDO, Marty, E. Cobb
KG5WU, Wayne, Sandy Springs, EP
AE4CW, Chuck, E. Cobb
KJ4MIJ, Clyde, Dunwoody
AA4FA, Dan, Sandy Springs
K7SYS, John, Johns Creek
K4KGA, Mike, Kennesaw, EP
AD4MC, Mike, Net Control, Sandy Springs, EP

*EP = Emergency Power

Announcements from Tom, W4UOC;
1) Tom will try to have the next NFARES meeting at the 911 Center. The 911 Center is located at the corner of Barfield and Mt. Vernon, which is the first road west of 400 on Mt. Vernon. We will have a hands-on workshop in the use of Winlink/Airmail and D-Star/D-Rats. Bring your laptops and HTs and we will work together to get you set up. Details to follow.

2) Tom routinely checks into the State ARES Net on 3.965 MHz. This net is held every Sunday at 5:00 PM Eastern Time. He encourages us to check in too.

The next scheduled net will be Sunday, February 28th. The net closed at 8:41 PM.

# 994. NFARES 2-meter net, Sunday, February 14, 2010

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2010-02-22 09:36:21 UTC
From: Wayne Chapman
Topic: 994  Message: 994

We had 13 check-ins for the NFARES Sunday Night Net on 2010-02-14.

KG5WU,Wayne,Net Control
AE4CW,Chuck
AJ4NT,Matt
KD4NKE,Shelia
KD9RU,Dave
KJ4HCB,Paul
KJ4MIJ,Clyde
N4JDO,Marty
N4MPB,Karen
N4SBD,Scott
N4SEC,Jim
W4QO,Jim
W4UOC,Tom

Announcements:

W4QO - Reminder of NFARL meeting on 2/16. Emphasis on youth. Program on "Electricity Greatest Hits" by AB1CD and AB2CD.

Net closed at 8:40p.

# 995. North Fulton ARES

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2010-02-22 16:07:08 UTC
From: w4uoc@aol.com
Topic: 145  Message: 995

Chief Scarbrough
Chief McGiboney

Sandy Springs Issues:

Out next NFARES meeting will be on March 9th. I wanted to see if we could hold the meeting at the EOC/911 center on that evening. We want to have a hands-on session to train our folks on the use of some of the voice and test messaging systems and need a meeting location that has an outside antenna and use some of the equipment we have already installed at that site. We would need the room from about 6:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m.

If the weather is decent we want to install the antenna on Sandy Springs Fire Station #1 later this week. Probably Wednesday - Friday. Can you notify the station officers that we will need to get on the roof and prepare an access port to get the cable into the building. I had talked previously to Chief Duke and he said it would be OK to drill thru the brick near the existing cable entrance.

We need to remove and relocate the temporary antenna we placed on Sandy Springs #4 as we can use the existing VHF antenna located on the tower adjacent to the building. We will need a ladder to reach the roof.

Johns Creek Issues:

We also plan to repair the coax on the Johns Creek Fire Station #61. They have a tower and existing antenna but the feed line (coax) needs to be repaired. There is a short tower adjacent to Johns Creek #63 that we could mount an antenna on and I believe there is existing coax running into the station at the location of the existing radios. We could also need the permission of you, Chief McGiboney, to erect that antenna. It appears at one time there were more sections of tower at station 63. It would be better if we could add another 10-20 ft to that tower if it is stored somewhere.

Your thoughts and comments?

Tom Koch - W4UOC
Emergency Coordinator - North Fulton Amateur Radio Emergency Service
404-314-6109
w4uoc@...

# 996. The ARES E-Letter for February 24, 2010

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2010-02-24 13:32:25 UTC
From: w4uoc@aol.com
Topic: 996  Message: 996

If you are having trouble reading this message, you can see the original at:
_http://www.arrl.org/FandES/field/ares-el/?issue=2010-02-24_
(http://www.arrl.org/FandES/field/ares-el/?issue=2010-02-24)

February 24, 2010
Editor: _Rick Palm, K1CE_ (mailto:k1ce@...)

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(http://www.arrl.org/nladclick.php?n=ae&i=2010-02-24&t=t)
The View from Flagler County
After almost a year without an Emergency Coordinator (EC) and no ARES organization here in the county, I am excited about a revitalization effort currently underway. We have a new District Emergency Coordinator (DEC), and I am hopeful that we will also have a new EC shortly. And that's only half of the breaking news: We are also securing new hardware/software in the county for access to the emerging digital voice and data network that offers unlimited opportunity for emergency communications. We are seeing a new dawn here under a D-STAR-lit sky.
The KA4RES D-STAR repeater project in Flagler is nearing completion and is expected to be operational (without Gateway) by the time you read this. Gateway access is expected soon. It's a "Two-Stack System" with two-meter and 440 MHz modules. System designer, owner and implementer Mike Lee, WB6RTH, reported that we will have full digital voice (DV) and slow-speed data capabilities, which includes simultaneous 1200 bps data transfer on the same frequency at the same time.
KJ4RJN is the club call sign of the new Flagler D-STAR Users Group and is open to all licensed hams interested in D-STAR. The equipment is owned by Lee, and is privately funded and operated for the benefit of all licensed hams in the Flagler, Volusia and St. Johns county areas here on the upper east coast of Florida.
The goal is to close the gap between Jacksonville and the Orlando area with multiple D-STAR systems so as to provide continuous coverage in the I-95 corridor. There is no membership in the Flagler D-STAR group: no dues, no roster, and no commitment. "This is a 100% privately funded effort to promote D-STAR in the area," said Lee.
D-STAR hands-on workshops are planned for introduction of the ICOM models IC-92AD, IC-91AD (both handhelds), IC-2820, IC-2200H and ID-880H (mobiles). Lee said "we want to ensure that there is sufficient infrastructure on the ground as well as ample "Elmers" to handle the training needs of the expected influx of new D-STAR users."
D-STAR has numerous advantages over traditional repeater systems: it is not dependent on its weakest link. If one part of the D-STAR network is taken

out by a storm, for example, collateral circulation is quickly established for seamless communication continuity across town or across the country. With a traditional repeater system, an antenna on top of a 1,000-foot tower may sound good on paper, but would be the first to come down in a hurricane. Even if the tower survived, it's not easy to get an antenna re-installed quickly (or cheaply at more than a $1,000 for a licensed and insured tower climber to put it back in place).

It would not be credible to tell you all of this if I didn't try the D-STAR technology myself, so I bought the expensive digital board (UT-118) and had the staff at AES in Orlando install it in my pre-existing IC-2200H. See "K1CE For a Final" at the end of this newsletter for my early experiences with digital voice and this exciting new technology and opportunity for not only Flagler county, but everywhere.

"Service Over Self," Goals for a New ARES Program

Embracing a policy of inclusion of all radio amateurs in the county is a priority for the new ARES program. The goals are to (1) enfranchise the entire amateur community here for a truly robust Amateur Radio emergency communications asset that can provide meaningful support to the Emergency Operations Center (EOC); (2) re-establish a trustworthy working relationship with EOC personnel under the important principle that Amateur Radio serves the EOC and not the other way around; (3) re-establish trust and mutual assistance protocols with our neighboring counties' ARES personnel and programs; (4) develop the new D-STAR digital system as a key emcomm asset and get local amateurs up to speed on it as a platform for ARES operations; and (5) training, training, and more training. We will work towards all of these goals under one overriding philosophy: Service over Self. We will work as a team. Decisions will be made in an open manner, with input from all. The program will be designed to hinge on the collective efforts of all, not just one or two individuals.

The leadership team is attending meetings of Flagler Amateur Radio associations to present plans, and to invite their participation. By the time you read this, an MOU should be in place between the new Flagler ARES and the county EOC. A meeting in Jacksonville last night was held for the purpose of cementing new relations with Clay and Duval county ARES for digital network and mutual assistance planning.

I am delighted with the pick of Mike Lee, WB6RTH, as our new DEC. He is an IT consultant and a self-described "change agent," an asset that has been desperately needed here on a number of levels. He is a veteran radio amateur with a long history of public service through ARES, including an all-nighter in front of a 220 MHz FM rig handling hundreds of frantic health-and-welfare inquiries in the immediate aftermath of the Loma Prieta major earthquake that struck the San Francisco area in 1989. Lee relayed messages up and down the famous Condor repeater system. Tears still come to his eyes when he talks about it. Lee convinced me that he is in this for the right reasons: service to his fellow citizens in need during emergencies and disasters. I quickly discerned that he has absolutely no ego, and is the right person for the job. I know I will give him 100% support as we try to gain traction for a new ARES program here in Flagler county, a potential ground zero for Florida's nemesis - hurricanes.

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ARRL Board Decides EmComm Issues
The Board of Directors of the ARRL concentrated much of its deliberations on major emergency communications issues when it met in Hartford, Connecticut last month.
The Board approved the signing of a Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) with the American Red Cross (_ARC_ (http://www.redcross.org/) ). The ARC has agreed to permit ARES volunteers to meet its requirement for a criminal background check by obtaining such a check, at their own expense, through a law enforcement entity rather than through the ARC process. ARRL members will be given information to permit them to make a fully informed decision with regard to volunteering with ARC.
The Board also instructed the ARRL staff to seek a change in Section 97.113(a)(3) of the FCC rules to permit amateurs, on behalf of an employer, to participate in emergency preparedness and disaster drills that include Amateur operations. There is an extensive discussion of this action on page nine of the March issue of QST.
(http://www.arrl.org/nladclick.php?n=ae&t=i&i=2010-02-24&p=0)
ARES News Digest
_Illinois Teams with Amateur Radio Operators to Create RACES Program_
(http://www.arrl.org/news/stories/2010/02/02/11321/?nc=1) (Feb 2, 2010)
_MARS Unifies Operation in Support of Haiti Relief Effort_
(http://www.arrl.org/news/stories/2010/02/03/11326/?nc=1) (Feb 3, 2010)
_FCC Notes Amateur Radio Response to Haitian Earthquake_
(http://reboot.fcc.gov/blog/) (Jan 29, 2010)
_Region 2 EMCOR Releases Haitian Emergency Frequencies _
(http://www.iaru-r2.org/category/emergency-communications/) (Jan 24, 2010)
_Georgia SKYWARN/ARES Gain State-Owned Tower Space_
(http://www.arrl.org/news/features/2010/02/02/11325/?nc=1) (Feb 2, 2010)
"QuakeNet" 2010 Exercise Series
QuakeNet is an emergency preparedness exercise involving two-meter simplex operation around San Diego County, California. It is designed to provide the opportunity for licensees to use their two-meter gear to get to know it, learn limiting factors in their equipment, locations, output power, antenna and terrain, and become knowledgeable of the two-meter systems and environment in San Diego County. A goal is to keep the operation simple enough to

encourage everyone to participate -- veteran amateurs, new hams and NBOAs (Never Been On the Air).
The QuakeNet 2 series for 2010 involves monthly exercises that are named after infamous earthquakes of the past. It began with an idea that Joseph Matterson, KI6TTF, had while attending a Communications Summit last September. The summit was a meeting held at the San Diego Salvation Army Headquarters that included local emergency response organizations and California OES as well as some fire districts. The summit covered the spectrum of radio operations in an emergency. There was a unanimous understanding of the need to exercise two meter simplex operation as the most viable lowest common denominator in an emergency or disaster.
Another topic was outreach to the "never been on the air" (NBOA) licensed Amateur Radio operators in the San Diego area. The estimate provided was that of the approximately 8,800 licensed operators in San Diego, 25% or 2,200 of them have never been on the air.
ARRL Southwestern Division Director Marty Woll, N6VI, added "KI6TTF is the driving force behind this exercise, and it turned out to be very popular, with demand for more in the future. It's worth emulating, assuming operators have an acessible mountaintop that sees the entire region involved, or other suitable radio vantage point for net control functioning. We include simplex and NVIS HF in nearly all of our drills for both ARES LAX and LAFD ACS in order to wean hams from the notion that all they need is to be able to hit a repeater." [Woll is also Assistant DEC for ARESLAX, and Training Officer for the LAFD ACS, CERT III -- ed.]
For more information, see the _QuakeNet _ (http://quakenet.angelfire.com/) page of the ARRL-affiliated _El Cajon Amateur Radio Club_ (http://www.wa6bgs.org/index.html) Web site.
(http://www.arrl.org/nladclick.php?n=ae&t=i&i=2010-02-24&p=1)
Disaster Prep Tips
As we start a new decade, let's review some of the basics of Amateur Radio disaster preparedness. The following are tips from John Covington, W4CC, of Dallas, North Carolina.
You must make sure you're personally prepared for a disaster before you can even consider helping with Amateur Radio. If you are preoccupied with personal matters, you won't be able to help ARES. To be ready for disaster communications, do the following: Train regularly with your local ARES group.
Think about how you might best be able to help during a disaster. Some of us are good at installing antennas and equipment, others of us are better at operating on the air. Not everyone is suited to doing every job.
Sometimes just having helping hands, spare equipment or supplies can be helpful even if you cannot operate the radios yourself. Generators need fuel, operators need coffee, and stations need to be set up. Figure out where you best fit in. Decide how you can help out if you stay home: Can you deploy at a shelter or EOC for a few hours? Operate from home?
If you must evacuate, can you deploy from where you have evacuated to, such as a shelter?
Have all resource materials you need in printed form. Don't depend on computers, PDAs and so forth as they may not work in a disaster, require electricity and are relatively fragile.
If you use a computer regularly in your on-the-air operations, make sure

you practice doing things such as calling nets and handling traffic the pencil-and-paper way once in a while. Remember, you may not be able to spare the amp-hours or the table space to run a computer.
Have an Amateur Radio ready-kit to supplement your personal ready kit. Some items to include:
*Portable radio, antenna and power supply or batteries (2 sets)
*Headset or earphones (you may be operating in a noisy area)
*Any cables you could possibly need
*Pencils and Paper
*Clipboard (firm writing surface, you may not have one otherwise)
*Radiogram forms (helpful but not absolutely required)
*Operating aids (pink card, Field Resources Manual, list of ARRL numbered radiograms, and anything appropriate for your local area)
*Small tools (multi-tip screwdriver, multitools, etc.)
*ARES Identification Card, if appropriate
*Important phone numbers and frequencies
*Map of the area
*Flashlight
*Poncho - very small to store, only around $2 and can be useful when you least expect
If carried in lieu of a personal ready kit, a few other items may be helpful:
*For a short deployment, a bottle of water plus some crackers or something to eat requiring no preparation could make things much more bearable for you
*Medicine
*Toilet paper - small packets from MRE kits are very handy and don't take up much room
*Moist towelettes

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Here are a few other suggestions from your editor based on his perspective as a Registered Nurse:
*Know CPR.
*Know the location of the Automated External Defibrillator (AED), and how to use it.
*Know the signs/symptoms of a heart attack and stroke.
Also, be prepared physically, mentally and emotionally for the sometimes overwhelming demands of a disaster or emergency environment. Hope for the best, but expect the worst. You are at risk for witnessing horrific scenes. Protect your self and especially young hams; participate in psychological and grief counseling, if necessary. Your mental health is just as important as your physical health.
Op-Ed: New Modes
The Pony Express is perhaps one of the most iconic Old West symbols of American ingenuity, initiative and enterprise. Many of us grew up reading stories or watching television shows about the heroic adventures of the fearless Pony Express rider who grabbed a saddlebag of mail, flung it over his horse and then tore out of town. With a fresh horse every ten miles or so and a new rider every hundred, the nearly two thousand mile route could be covered in ten days instead of thirty by an overland stage.

Their motto was "The Mail Must Go Through" and they played a vital role in how the West was won. As a kid it was easy to imagine that the Pony Express pursued its mission for years, if not decades, as the vital communications link to the frontier and all the way to Sacramento, California. But such was not the case. In reality it was a short-lived money losing venture. Although they delivered over 34,000 pieces of mail and only lost one delivery, the completion of the transcontinental telegraph immediately spelled the end of the Pony Express. Instead of a ten day ride, messages could be routed across the country by wire. Delivery time could now be measured in minutes.

Nineteen months after it started the Pony Express rode off into the sunset of obsolescence, replaced by a technology that was faster and could handle a much greater volume of messages.

What's the lesson in this for the Amateur Radio emcomm community? Well, if you have a horse and saddle you can still climb aboard and ride to the next county or wherever to deliver a message. If the message's destination is farther than you can ride, how many relays will it take for the message to be delivered? How reliable will each leg be along the entire route? By the time the message reaches the recipient will it already be outdated? Sure, the means of delivery may still work but does it meet the true needs of those who are relying on it or simply keeping you and your pony in shape?

The point is that even tried and true methods of wireless communication that have near iconic status may not have either the relevance or utility that potential consumers may require. Yes, it may be the manner and mode of communication that the operators are accustomed to, but will it meet the actual need?

This is not meant to be a particular criticism of any particular national system because it can apply just as well to local operations, too. Do the people and agencies that we serve need a capacity for more lengthy and detailed messages? Rapid delivery to multiple recipients? Message attachments? Images as well as text? Inter-modal movement of messages? Some may disparage services such as Twitter, but is a twenty-five word limit for a Radiogram all that different from the 140 character limit for a tweet?

It seems that every few months we are reading about some new digital mode for Amateur Radio, many of them sound card-based freeware. Sure it is difficult to keep up with all of them and none has become a standard, but it is easy to begin sampling them and seeing what works.

We all have an obligation to expand our communication horizons by acquiring new skills and exploring new modes and technologies that we can interface with traditional modes. Otherwise we run the risk of standing around holding the reins on our pony waiting for someone to ask us to help. -- Jim Aylward, KC8PD/AAM5EOH, EC, ARES of Portage County; Radio Officer, Portage County EMA/RACES Emergency Operations Officer, Ohio Army MARS

(http://www.arrl.org/nladclick.php?n=ae&t=i&i=2010-02-24&p=2)

Letters

Diamond X-30 Antenna

In the last issue, you discussed your experience with the Diamond X-30 antenna. I've been using a Diamond X-30 antenna as a temporary base antenna. I'd previously used an X-50, which worked very well, but was less convenient to transport due to its additional length.

I replaced the jam nuts on the radials with stainless wing nuts to eliminate the need for a separate wrench for those nuts. Unless you keep coax permanently attached to the antenna, it will be necessary to carry a 10 mm wrench for the antenna mounting bolt. I am searching for a thumbscrew or wing bolt replacement.

Based on my MFJ analyzer, the real-world two-meter band SWR of both of these antennas is as flat as a dead man's EKG. 70 cm band SWR is 1.5:1 or less across the entire band.

I run an X-50 with an N connector at home. I am very pleased with its performance, and its clean silhouette pleases my XYL. A happy wife equals a happy life. -- Dan Thayer, W1CDT, Somers, Connecticut

220 MHz Radios

In the January issue, a reader lamented the lack of 220 MHz multi-band radios on the market. The Kenwood TH-F6A is a good 144/220/440MHz tri-bander hand held with 5W output. Check it out. -- John Meyers, WA4GPS

On Power Inverters

I enjoyed your comments in the December 2009 issue of the ARES E-Letter about using an inverter to get 120 volts from batteries. New hams might benefit from an expanded discussion.

A cheap Wal-Mart inverter is very likely a modified sine wave generator. It could be a square wave or a semi-saw tooth, or even a crude saw tooth generator. Concerning square waves, much equipment, as you noted about motors, does not like square waves. The higher RMS value of the square wave and the lack of a rising waveform can damage resistive and other loads. Sharp-cornered waveform generators suffer similar problems, and create interference.

Inverters also lose some power to the inefficiency of the conversion machine. The quality of the machine will determine how much is lost. In addition, the input-output ratings of cheap inverters are subject to question, and the device could fail and leave the emcomm operation stranded. Always ask for a detailed description of the output waveform. One work-around is to connect whatever dc power source you use, such as batteries, as directly as possible to equipment that use the same dc voltage. Avoid conversion where possible. For lighting, efficient 12 vdc auxiliary lights such as LEDs are also available at the cost of more money and trouble, of course. A pure sine wave generator is always a good source, and today they are not as expensive as in years past. The ratings may be more reliable from a manufacturer that engineers a pure sine wave generator. Better units have voltage and other parameter monitors.

Side note: When Hamilton County, TN ARES drills with nets and requests all who can to use something other than "shore power," we avoid the use of the word "emergency" when describing the type of source we are using as the net is polled. The reason for the word choice is that a ham in an adjacent area with fringe reception was monitoring and only heard the word "emergency," and he began to try to help with getting an emergency response together. His reaction was natural and appreciated, but it caused us to revise our descriptions to "battery power" or "solar power" or "propane generator" power when we describe how we are avoiding the use of house outlets to power our rigs. It is also more beneficial for learners if the actual method is described. -- Robert Berman, W4SET, Hamilton County, Tennessee ARES

Florida "Operation Radar" Communications Exercise
The Florida Division of Emergency Management (DEM) and Florida National Guard (FLNG) hosted "Operation Radar," the largest assembly and evaluation of communications systems in the Southeast at the Camp Blanding Joint Training Center, Camp Blanding, Florida on January 25-29, 2010.
The media day allowed reporters to interview local, state and federal officials, technicians, and tour communications equipment from all seven domestic security regions in Florida that were staged across the grounds of the Florida National Guard's training site.
Since 2001, the state of Florida, Regional Domestic Security Task Forces and local agencies have been working on the development, implementation and rollout of a variety of systems in order to provide interoperable communications among response agencies for day-to-day and emergency operations.
Examples of communications systems tested during the week were: The Florida Interoperability Network (FIN), Statewide Law Enforcement Radio System (SLERS), Emergency Deployable Interoperable Communications (EDICS), Emergency Deployable, Wide Area Remote Data Systems (EDWARDS) and trailers, Mutual Aid Radio communications systems, Regional Emergency Response Network (RERNs) and Mobile Command Vehicles.
Click _here_ (http://www.floridaguard.army.mil/news/read.aspx?id=1533) for an after-action report.
For more information on the Florida Division of Emergency Management and to "GET A PLAN!" click _here_ (http://www.floridadisaster.org/) . Daily Florida State Emergency Response Team (SERT) situation and flash reports _here_ (http://www.floridadisaster.org/index.asp) .
K1CE For a Final
As mentioned at the outset of this issue, I had AES install the digital board on my IC-2200H two-meter mobile radio so that I could try the digital voice mode and especially the evolving D-STAR network. D-STAR development reminds me of the early packet radio phenomenon back in the early '80s. A few tinkerers exploded into an enormous fireball of activity across the country. I think we have lit the D-STAR fuse and it is the "Next Big Thing." I wanted to get in early, just like I did with packet. (I put up the first PBBS in Connecticut back in the day).
There are four basic pieces of programming to start with: "My Call" (K1CE), "Your Call" (the call sign of the station you want to communicate with), "Repeater Call 1" (your local digital repeater and Internet gateway into the nationwide network), and "Repeater Call 2" (the distant, network-linked repeater that is the local repeater of the end user you want to talk to).
With this programming done, it is a simple matter of pushing the talk button on your microphone and communicating with the other station in almost the same manner as you would in a traditional FM set-up.
On my very first contact, I almost fell out of my chair at the unbelievable audio quality. It was one of those "first times" in ham radio that you never forget, like your First Contact, your First DX, your First Space Shuttle Contact, etc. There is absolutely zero noise on the audio, and voice sounds are of high fidelity. It was a joy to operate digital voice purely for the audio quality experience alone. (It was also nice to pick up a couple of new ham friends who were already devotees, like Mike Lee, WB6RTH).
A repeater/gateway system is soon to be operational here in the county,

and I can't wait to try my new digital voice capabilities on some long-haul D-STAR circuits. I'll report back with my discoveries next month. In the meantime, check out these D-STAR resources that I've found so far: _D-STAR Users.org_ (http://www.dstarusers.org/) and _ICOM D-STAR Page_ (http://www.icomamerica.com/en/products/amateur/dstar/dstar/default.aspx) . See you next month! 73, Rick K1CE
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# 997. North Fulton ARES Net, 2/28/2010, 8:30 pm

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2010-02-27 01:25:36 UTC
From: nfares@yahoogroups.com
Topic: 997  Message: 997

Reminder from: nfares Yahoo! Group
http://groups.yahoo.com/group/nfares/cal

North Fulton ARES Net
Sunday February 28, 2010
8:30 pm - 9:30 pm
(This event repeats every week.)
Location: 147.060 MHz (plus 600kHz) PL 100.0. Backup is 145.470 MHz (minus 600 kHz) PL 100.0

Notes:
Please remember that both repeaters now require a PL tone of 100.0 Hz

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# 998. Motorola Portable VHF Repeater (Spectra)

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2010-02-28 16:06:50 UTC
From: w4uoc@aol.com
Topic: 998  Message: 998

I have been provided by the Fulton/Atlanta EMA with a Motorola Portable VHF Repeater (Spectra) model P1820X to use with our North Fulton ARES group in support of the Metro Medical Strike Team. It also includes numerous Astra handheld VHF transceivers. However these need to be programmed for the amateur radio VHF frequencies.

Is there anyone in our amateur community that has the program cables for the portable repeater and transceivers that can help with this project?

Tom Koch - W4UOC
EC - North Fulton ARES

# 999. Sunday Evening NFARES Net

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2010-02-28 17:39:54 UTC
From: w4uoc@aol.com
Topic: 999  Message: 999

I may not be able to participate in tonights NFARES net due to my family are going to be celebrating Peg's birthday and not at home.

Will one of you make the following announcements.

Next NFARES meeting scheduled for Tuesday, March 9th, hopefully will be held at the Sandy Springs EOC/911 center but there is a conflict with the use of the large training room. It seems that the Sandy Springs Police CERT program is scheduled to use the big training room. However I think we can use the smaller training room and the ham equipment area. I'll confirm this early this week.

AIRMAIL/WINLINK TRAINING
Encourage those that have lap top computers to bring them to the meeting so we can get them set up for AirMail/WinLink. We will also have one station set up to send Winlink messages by RF from the EOC to the internet where those with only an internet connection can receive and reply to the vhf station.

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We will have a DV Access Point (DVAP)set up so we can introduce the group to the use of D-Star voice communications. Jim Paine will provide a WiFi connection for use in the small training room. We will allow those participants not familiar with voice operations on D-Star to get on the air using the DVAP.

D-Rats TRAINING
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Assuming we have the normal 15 or so in attendance with 3 or four of us making the presentations or "Elmering" the demonstration stations that should allow us to break the group up into smaller groups of 2 or 3 and rotate them thru the three or four demonstration locations.

I will be at the door of the EOC/911 center to let you in starting at 6:45 p.m. If there I am not at the door call me on 146.49 simplex and someone will come to let you in. The EOC/911 center is located just off Mt Vernon Road and just before you get to Ga-400. I would suggest you enter from Mt. Vernon drive under the building on the left side and park as soon as you get thru the tunnel. You of course can also enter the parking garage from Barclay Road but then you need to go up the parking deck until you arrive at the entrance level. I will provide clearer direction early next week.

If your really lost call my cell 404-314-6109

Hope to see you there.

Tom Koch - W4UOC
EC - North Fulton ARES

# 1000. Re: Sunday Evening NFARES Net

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2010-02-28 18:30:47 UTC
From: Mike Cohen
Topic: 999  Message: 1000

Tom,

I plan to be on the Net tonight and can make these announcements for you.

HAPPY BIRTHDAY, PEG !!

73,
Mike - AD4MC

Mike Cohen
770-262-5212

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> the entrance level. I will provide clearer direction early next week.
>
> If your really lost call my cell 404-314-6109
>
> Hope to see you there.
>
> Tom Koch - W4UOC
> EC - North Fulton ARES
>

# 1001. NFARES 2-meter net, Sunday, February 28, 2010

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2010-03-01 04:01:45 UTC
From: MikeC
Topic: 1001  Message: 1001

We had 24 check-ins on the NFARES 2-meter net, Sunday, February 28, 2010

W4UOC, Tom, EC, Sandy Springs
W4CNG, Steve, ADEC Metro Atlanta
AA4FA, Dan, Dunwoody
K4YJI, Bill, E-Cobb, EP
N4SEC, Jim, Alpharetta
N4SBD, Scott, Alpharetta, EP
N4JDO, Marty, E. Cobb
N4COS, John, Roswell
KD9RU, Dave, Milton
W4QO, Jim, Roswell, EP
KG5WU, Wayne, Sandy Springs, EP
AJ4NT, Matt, Dunwoody, EP
N4BTA, Brett, Alpharetta, EP
KJ4MIJ, Clyde, Dunwoody
KD4NKE, Shelia, Sandy Springs
KJ4HCP, Paul, Dunwoody, Dekalb County ARES
K4HBI, Mike, Norcross, Gwinett County ARES
AF4FO, Susan, Norcross, Gwinett County ARES
AG4WY, Mark, Atlanta
K3GO, John, Roswell
N4MPB, Karen, Johns Creek, EP
AE4CW, Chuck, E. Cobb
KJ4HCC, Susan, Dunwoody
AD4MC, Mike, Net Control, Sandy Springs, EP
*EP = Emergency Power

Announcements from Tom, W4UOC;
1)Jeff Scarbrough called this evening requesting possible Ham Radio backup tomorrow (Monday) because of a failure of the Fulton County trunking communications system. Only 4 of the 14 channels are operating. We may be asked to provide emergency communications to the 911 center, the four Sandy Springs and three Johns Creek fire stations plus the Battalion Commander's vehicle. Tom will call the following volunteers on 145.47 at 8:00 AM EST to give an update. Tom has the list of contact phone numbers if notification needs to be done by phone.

W4UOC ☐ Tom ☐ 911 Center
AD4MC ☐ Mike - SS#1
KG5WU ☐ Wayne - SS#4
AJ4NT ☐ Matt - SS#3
N4MPB ☐ Karen ☐ JC#61
W4QO ☐ Jim ☐ Battalion Commander ☐ Available until 1:00 PM
N4SEC ☐ Jim ☐ Confirm availability Monday morning
N4SBD ☐ Scott ☐ Available until 5:30 PM

AA4FA ☐ Dan ☐ SS#2 - Requires equipment
KD4NKE ☐ Shelia ☐ 911 Station. Available after 5:30 PM. Will provide equipment.
W4CNG ☐ Steve ☐ Old Alabama/Haynes Bridge

2) Tom will try to have the next NFARES meeting at the 911 Center. The 911 Center is located at the corner of Barfield and Mt. Vernon, which is the first road west of 400 on Mt. Vernon. We will have a hands-on workshop in the use of Winlink/Airmail and D-Star/D-Rats. Bring your laptops and HTs and we will work together to get you set up. Details to follow.

3) Next NFARES meeting scheduled for Tuesday, March 9th, hopefully will be held at the Sandy Springs EOC/911 center but there is a conflict with the use of the large training room. It seems that the Sandy Springs Police CERT program is scheduled to use the big training room. However I think we can use the smaller training room and the ham equipment area. I'll confirm this early this week.

AIRMAIL/WINLINK TRAINING
Encourage those that have lap top computers to bring them to the meeting so we can get them set up for AirMail/WinLink. We will also have one station set up to send Winlink messages by RF from the EOC to the internet where those with only an internet connection can receive and reply to the vhf station.

D-Star TRAINING
We will have a DV Access Point (DVAP)set up so we can introduce the group to the use of D-Star voice communications. Jim Paine will provide a WiFi connection for use in the small training room. We will allow those participants not familiar with voice operations on D-Star to get on the air using the DVAP.

D-Rats TRAINING
We will have two D-Star radios set up to communicate on a simplex channel to send and receive D-Rats low speed text and file data. Those that have D-Star transceivers are encouraged to bring them along as well as their lap top computers so we can install the D-Rats software on their computers.

Assuming we have the normal 15 or so in attendance with 3 or four of us making the presentations or "Elmering" the demonstration stations that should allow us to break the group up into smaller groups of 2 or 3 and rotate them thru the three or four demonstration locations.

I will be at the door of the EOC/911 center to let you in starting at 6:45 p.m. If there I am not at the door call me on 146.49 simplex and someone will come to let you in. The EOC/911 center is located just off Mt Vernon Road and just before you get to Ga-400. I would suggest you enter from Mt. Vernon drive under the building on the left side and park as soon as you get thru the tunnel. You of course can also enter the parking garage from Barclay Road but then you need to go up the parking deck until you arrive at the entrance level. I will provide clearer direction early next week.

The next scheduled net will be Sunday, February 28th. This net closed at 8:41 PM.

# 1002. NFARES 2-meter net, Sunday, February 28, 2010

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2010-03-01 04:14:23 UTC
From: MikeC
Topic: 1001  Message: 1002

Corrections:

The next scheduled net will be Sunday, March 7th. This net closed at 9:10 PM.

# 1003. Fwd: Ham Radio Test Wednesday Night ( 3-3-10)

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2010-03-01 15:46:47 UTC
From: w4uoc@aol.com
Topic: 1003  Message: 1003

Sandy springs Fire Rescue Staff,
Members of the North Fulton Amateur Radio Emergency Service (Ham Radio Operators) will be checking antennas and radios starting today in preparation for a test we will be conducting Wednesday evening from 8pm to 10pm at all fire stations (Sandy Springs & Johns Creek) and ChatComm. If you have questions please email or call me. Thanks for working with the Ham Radio Operators so we can be better prepared.
Jeff T. Scarbrough, Fire Marshal/EMA Coordinator
Sandy Springs Fire Rescue
7840 Roswell Road, Bldg 500
Sandy Springs, Ga. 30350
Phone Number: 770-206-2077
FAX Number: 770-206-1562
www.sandyspringsga.org

# 1004. NFARES - CHATT/COM BACK-UP SUPPORT - MARCH 3, 2010

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2010-03-01 15:42:40 UTC
From: w4uoc@aol.com
Topic: 1004  Message: 1004
Attachments: 1 described; binary payloads are missing from this source WARC

CHAT/COMM BACK-UP SUPPORT EXERCISE

We are not going to activate the communication support activities for Chatt/Comm today,( Monday March 1st). However, we have been requested to back up their system, as a test, on Wednesday evening March 3rd between 8-10 p.m. I would ask that you set up at each of your assigned fire stations well in advance of the test. Between now and then I will do my best to check out the antenna and cabling for these seven Sandy Springs and Johns Creek stations Please advise as to your availability to participate in this exercise on Wednesday evening.

If any other NFARES members wish to be added to this exercise in support of the Sandy Springs/Johns Creek 911 back-up support test please contact me and we will add you to the list as a second operator.

I have attached a spread sheet with the current station assignments for this exercise. I have added Shelia Staton KD4NKE to operate from Sandy Springs fire station #2 and to bring her radio and power supply. Dan, AA4FA WILL ALSO OPERATE FROM THAT SITE.

# 1005. Re: [nfares] NFARES - CHATT/COM BACK-UP SUPPORT - MARCH 3, 2010 [1 Attachment]

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2010-03-01 16:34:36 UTC
From: Mike Cohen
Topic: 1004  Message: 1005

Tom,

...Reconfirming that I will be available to go to SS#1 on Wednesday evening
using an HT in the station to crossband with my mobile rig.

73,
Mike - AD4MC

Mike Cohen
770-262-5212

On Mon, Mar 1, 2010 at 10:42 AM, <w4uoc@...> wrote:

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> w4uoc@... included below]
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# 1006. Re: [nfares] NFARES - CHATT/COM BACK-UP SUPPORT - MARCH 3, 2010 [1 Attachment]

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2010-03-01 19:03:01 UTC
From: Bill Reed
Topic: 1004  Message: 1006

Tom, I'm available for support on Wednesday evening. Let me know if you
have an assignment for me.

73,

Bill Reed, K4YJI

e-mail wreed.ie57@...

Telephone 770-993-5758
e-FAX 918-512-7881

Please consider the environment before printing this message

On Mon, Mar 1, 2010 at 10:42 AM, <w4uoc@...> wrote:

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> [Attachment(s) <#1271a76b785a4c04_TopText> from w4uoc@... included
> below]
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> CHAT/COMM BACK-UP SUPPORT EXERCISE
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# 1007. Re: [nfares] NFARES - CHATT/COM BACK-UP SUPPORT - MARCH 3, 2010 [1 Attachment]

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2010-03-02 02:23:43 UTC
From: Dan McKenzie
Topic: 1004  Message: 1007

Tom, Confirming Wednesday night.

Shelia, I'll call you Tuesday to coordinate meeting you at SS Firestation #2

Dan

On 3/1/2010 10:42, w4uoc@... wrote:
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> [Attachment(s) <#TopText> from w4uoc@... included below]
>
> CHAT/COMM BACK-UP SUPPORT EXERCISE
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> Sandy Springs fire station #2 and to bring her radio and power
> supply. Dan, AA4FA WILL ALSO OPERATE FROM THAT SITE.
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> Reply to sender
> <mailto:W4UOC@...?subject=NFARES%20-%20CHATT/COM%20BACK-UP%20SUPPORT%20-%20MARCH%203,%20
2010>
> | Reply to group
> <mailto:nfares@yahoogroups.com?subject=NFARES%20-%20CHATT/COM%20BACK-UP%20SUPPORT%20-%20
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# 1008. Chat/Comm Exercise Assignments - 02/02/2010

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2010-03-02 15:10:29 UTC
From: w4uoc@aol.com
Topic: 1008  Message: 1008

Chat/Comm Backup Feb 3, 2010 Provide Equip SANDY
SPRINGS EOC W4UOC TOM 404-314-6109 yes Mt Vernon/Barclary Road SANDY
SPRINGS 1 AD4MC MIKE 770-262-5212 yes 1425 Spaulding Drive SANDY SPRINGS 2
KD4NKE SHELIA 770-617-4255 yes 135 Johnson Ferry Road SANDY SPRINGS 3 AJ4NT
MATT 404-456-0000 yes 6025 Heards Drive SANDY SPRINGS 4 KG5WU WAYNE
678-522-3115 yes 4697 Wienca Road SANDY SPRINGS BTL K4YJI BILL 404-406-5674 yes
6025 Heards Drive JOHNS CREEK 61 N4SBD SCOTT 404-934-1858 yes
10265 MEDLOCK BRIDGE PARKWAY JOHNS CREEK BTL W4QO JIM 404-281-8185 yes 10266
MEDLOCK BRIDGE PARKWAY JOHNS CREEK 63 N4MPB KAREN 404-200-7751 yes 3165 OLD
ALABAMA ROAD JOHNS CREEK 62 AA4FA DAN 423-991-5689 yes 10925 ROGERS CIRCLE
BTL RIDE IN BTL CHIEF'S VEHICLE REQUIRES HANDHELD AND MAG
MOUNT ANTENNA Primary repeater N4CLA 145.47 Simplex freq 146.49

# 1009. Nice write-up on NBEMS

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2010-03-02 19:15:40 UTC
From: Wayne Chapman
Topic: 1009  Message: 1009

I saw this on the GARS reflector. It's a link to a write-up from last November. It's good reading.

http://uspacket.org/network/index.php/topic,44.0.html

"NBEMS ( Narrow-Band Emergency Message System ) is perhaps the best solution available for moving eMail over amateur radio frequencies to handle emergency communications. Here I will outline the reasons that I have come to this conclusion after reviewing the available amateur radio systems that handle eMail."

73 de Wayne/kg5wu

# 1010. North Fulton County ARES Meeting, 3/9/2010, 7:00 pm

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2010-03-03 00:30:54 UTC
From: nfares@yahoogroups.com
Topic: 1010  Message: 1010

Reminder from: nfares Yahoo! Group
http://groups.yahoo.com/group/nfares/cal

North Fulton County ARES Meeting
Tuesday March 9, 2010
7:00 pm - 8:30 pm
(This event repeats every month on the second Tuesday.)
(The next reminder for this event will be sent in 5 days, 23 hours, 50 minutes.)
Location: Sandy Springs City Council Chambers
Street: Morgan Falls Office Park, 7840 Roswell Road Building 500
City State Zip: Sandy Springs, GA 30350

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# 1011. Chat/Comm 2-meter NFARES net, Tuesday, March 2, 2010

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2010-03-03 03:59:27 UTC
From: MikeC
Topic: 1011  Message: 1011

We had 14 check-ins on the Chat/Comm 2-meter NFARES net, Tuesday, March 2, 2010

W4UOC, Tom, EC, Sandy Springs
AA4FA, Dan, Dunwoody
K4YJI, Bill, E-Cobb, EP
N4MPB, Karen, Johns Creek, EP
AJ4NT, Matt, Dunwoody, EP
KJ4HCB, Paul, Dunwoody, Dekalb County ARES
KG5WU, Wayne, Sandy Springs, EP
W4QO, Jim, Roswell, EP
N4SBD, Scott, Alpharetta, EP
KJ4MIJ, Clyde, Dunwoody
KD4NKE, Shelia, Sandy Springs
N4SEC, Jim, Alpharetta
W4CNG, Steve, ADEC Metro Atlanta
AD4MC, Mike, Net Control, Sandy Springs, EP
*EP = Emergency Power

Announcements from Tom, W4UOC;
1) The next NFARES meeting will be at the 911 Center, starting at 7:00 PM. Those setting up equipment may want to show up as early as 6:00 PM. The 911 Center is located at the corner of Barfield and Mt. Vernon, which is the first road west of 400 on Mt. Vernon. We will have a hands-on workshop in the use of Winlink/Airmail and D-Star/D-Rats. Bring your laptops and HTs and we will work together to get you set up. Details to follow. I will be at the door of the EOC/911 center to let you in starting at 6:00 PM. If I am not at the door call me on 146.49 simplex and someone will come to let you in. The EOC/911 center is located just off Mt Vernon Road and just before you get to Ga-400. I would suggest you enter from Mt. Vernon drive under the building on the left side and park as soon as you get thru the tunnel. You of course can also enter the parking garage from Barclay Road but then you need to go up the parking deck until you arrive at the entrance level.

2) Met with Jeff Scarbrough to confirm the Chat/Comm test on Wednesday, March 3rd, from 8:00 to 10:00 PM to test emergency communications to the 911 center, the four Sandy Springs and three Johns Creek fire stations plus two Battalion Commander's vehicles. Please try to arrive at your assigned location by 7:30 PM to give yourselves time to set up before 8:00 PM.

3) At this time, the 911 Center may be using cross-band repeat to have a radio to the dispatch desk. As Jim, W4QO, noted, we may need to ensure that we give the repeater time to end the transmission to allow the cross-band repeater to call in. If we do not do that, Tom at the 911 center may not be able to get into the repeater.

4) Bring pencil/pen and paper, ID and Jeff Scarbrough's note with you to the Chat/Comm test.

5) Steve, W4CNG, suggested that you run at full power during the test, both on the 145.47 repeater and on 146.49 simplex. Steve will be monitoring both 145.47 and 146.49 throughout this test.

The net had 14 check-ins and closed at 9:12 PM.

Mike ☐ AD4MC
770-262-5212

# 1012. Using Audio Splitter in Noisy Comm Conditions

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2010-03-04 15:47:34 UTC
From: Wayne
Topic: 1012  Message: 1012

Greetings all,

One thing I did at SS#4 last night was to use a splitter from the audio out jack of my (portable/mobile) rig. One lead went to an external speaker (so the firefighters could hear the transmissions). The other lead went to a headset (so I could hear everything despite the noisy conditions at the station).

It worked out very well. This way I wasn't straining to hear my radio when theirs was squawking loudly, or when other conversations were underway all around me.

73 de Wayne/kg5wu

# 1013. North Fulton ARES Net, 3/7/2010, 8:30 pm

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2010-03-06 01:25:20 UTC
From: nfares@yahoogroups.com
Topic: 1013  Message: 1013

Reminder from: nfares Yahoo! Group
http://groups.yahoo.com/group/nfares/cal

North Fulton ARES Net
Sunday March 7, 2010
8:30 pm - 9:30 pm
(This event repeats every week.)
Location: 147.060 MHz (plus 600kHz) PL 100.0. Backup is 145.470 MHz (minus 600 kHz) PL 100.0

Notes:
Please remember that both repeaters now require a PL tone of 100.0 Hz

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# 1014. NFARES MEETING AGENDA 3/9/2010 Sandy Springs EOC/911 Center

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2010-03-07 14:04:03 UTC
From: w4uoc@aol.com
Topic: 1014  Message: 1014

The March 9th NFARES meeting will be held at the Sandy Springs EOC/911 center just off Mt Vernon Highway and Barclay Road starting at 7:00 p.m. The entrance to the building is on the 1st. floor at the North end of the Parking deck. Since this is a secure area someone will be at the door to let you in but if they are not there ask for assistance on 146.49 or call 404-314-6109 and we will send someone to let you in.

The agenda will include:

1. Review of the recent communications exercise in support of the cities of Sandy Springs and Johns Creek.

2. Technical presentation on setting up and establishing Airmail/Winlink messaging systems via the Internet and/or packet radio. It is suggested that you bring a laptop computer with WiFi for this hands on workshop

3. Technical presentation on utilizing D-Star voice and data communications modes utilizing D-Rats low speed data software.

Following the technical presentations we will divide, those in attendance, into four groups to rotate thru the hands on work stations located throughout the training area; It is hoped that we can rotate folks thru each of the four stations every 15-20 min's.

D-star ID-92AD hand held transceivers and D-Rats to send simplex low speed date messages

D-star ID-92AD for voice D-Star communications utilizing DVAP (Digital Voice Access Point)

VHF Packet station with AirMail/Winlink capabilities.

Airmail/Winlink Internet connected workstation.

# 1015. North Fulton County ARES Meeting, 3/9/2010, 7:00 pm

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2010-03-09 00:09:29 UTC
From: nfares@yahoogroups.com
Topic: 1010  Message: 1015

Reminder from: nfares Yahoo! Group
http://groups.yahoo.com/group/nfares/cal

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City State Zip: Sandy Springs, GA 30350

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# 1016. March 7th Net Report

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2010-03-09 21:11:11 UTC
From: David Hazell KD9RU
Topic: 1016  Message: 1016

The following stations checked into the March 7th Sunday net.

W4UOC Tom, Sandy Springs

N4SEC Jim, Alpharetta *

N4SBD Scott, Alpharetta

N4MPB Karen, Johns Creek *

N4JDO Marty, Marietta

AA4FA Dan, Dunwoody

AD4MC Mike, Sandy Springs *

KG5WU Wayne, Sandy Springs

AJ4NT Matt, Dunwoody

KJ4HCC Susan, Dunwoody

KD4NKE Sheila, Sandy Springs

N4BTA Brett Alpharetta *

KJ4HCB Paul, Dunwoody

KJ4MTX Benny, Piedmont, Ala.

KG4VUB Tom, Acworth

KJ4MIJ Clyde, Dunwoody

K4OLO Lee, Kennesaw

KJ4HLN David, Fairmont, GA

KD9RU Dave, Milton Net Control

(* Auxiliary Power)

W4UOC commented that the deployment of ARES members in establishing back-up communications for Sandy Springs Fire Dept. was well received; N4BTA indicated that all Tx could be copied without difficulty.

The regular monthly ARES meeting will convene on Tuesday at 7:00 pm at the Sandy Springs EOC.

There were 19 checkins to the net which closed at 8:46 PM local time.

# 1017. John Burdge K3WNL SK

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2010-03-10 12:27:24 UTC
From: w4uoc@aol.com
Topic: 1017  Message: 1017

John Burdge, K3WNL my good friend of over twenty years, member of NFARL and NFARES, passed away Tuesday morning, March 9th at St Joseph Hospital. Although John had been a resident of the Dunwoody area for many years he was the past president and repeater manager for the Warner Robbins Radio club in years past.

Details of his memorial service will follow as soon as all the arrangements are completed.

Tom Koch - W4UOC

# 1018. K3WNL SK

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2010-03-10 13:30:54 UTC
From: w4uoc@aol.com
Topic: 1018  Message: 1018

John Burdge, K3WNL passed away at St Josephs Hospital, in Atlanta, GA
02/09/2010

I was first introduced to Ham Radio by Sam Yatter, W2ENM (silent Key), when
I was ten and lived in
Brielle, New Jersey. KN2ULC was my first call in 1956. My first transmitter
was a Heathkit AT-1. Prior
to that I used my father's (K2CQJ) rigs. When I left military service my
call was WB4PSL. Today I
have my father's last call (K3WNL). Carry on Son. 73 John

# 1019. K3WNL SK 03/09/2010

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2010-03-10 14:21:53 UTC
From: w4uoc@aol.com
Topic: 1019  Message: 1019
Attachments: 1 described; binary payloads are missing from this source WARC

John Burdge, K3WNL passed away at St Josephs Hospital, in Atlanta, GA
03/09/2010

FROM QRZ :

I was first introduced to Ham Radio by Sam Yatter, W2ENM (silent Key), when
I was ten and lived in
Brielle, New Jersey. KN2ULC was my first call in 1956. My first transmitter
was a Heathkit AT-1. Prior
to that I used my father's (K2CQJ) rigs. When I left military service my
call was WB4PSL. Today I
have my father's last call (K3WNL). Carry on Son. 73 John

# 1020. Services for John Burdge K3WNL SK

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2010-03-10 15:34:04 UTC
From: w4uoc@aol.com
Topic: 1020  Message: 1020

Information on the services for John Burdge K3WNL SK

The visitation is Thursday night, March 11th for family from 6-7pm, and for the public from 7-9pm
Sandy Springs Chapel
(404) 255-8511
136 Mt Vernon Hwy Nw
Sandy Springs, GA 30328
Cross Streets: Between Hammond Dr NW and Lake Forrest Dr NW/Mt Vernon Hwy NE
_www.sandyspringschapel.com_ (http://www.sandyspringschapel.com/)

The services is Friday morning, March 12th at 11am
Winters Chapel United Methodist Church
(770) 396-4550
5105 Winters Chapel Road
Atlanta, GA 30360-1425
_www.winterschapel.org_ (http://www.winterschapel.org)

Home Address:

John's wife's name is Lois

JOHN E BURDGE
4846 VILLAGE CREEK DRIVE
DUNWOODY, GA 30338
USA

# 1021. Winlink Telpacs

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2010-03-10 23:49:51 UTC
From: n4bta
Topic: 1021  Message: 1021

Local 2 meter Telpac stations that I am aware of:

N3DAB-10 145.730 Jasper
KG4VUB-10 145.730 Acworth
N2UGA-10 145.090 Ball Ground
W4PME-10 145.070 Atlanta (Down, currently has Internet issues)
WB4QDX-10 145.030 Lawrenceville (use LAW digipeater)

Have fun with Winlink and Airmail,
Bret / N4BTA

# 1022. SKYWARN

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2010-03-11 02:11:25 UTC
From: paul_ka3qxb
Topic: 1022  Message: 1022

Does anyone know of upcoming SKYWARN class being offered in the Atlanta area?

# 1023. SKYWARN

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2010-03-11 05:40:11 UTC
From: Wayne Chapman
Topic: 1022  Message: 1023

The NWS currently shows three classes scheduled, none nearby.

http://www.srh.noaa.gov/ffc/?n=sched

# 1024. QRP Transceivers for Sale

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2010-03-11 19:29:06 UTC
From: w4uoc@aol.com
Topic: 1024  Message: 1024
Attachments: 1 described; binary payloads are missing from this source WARC

I have two low power/QRP transceivers for sale that are excess to my needs.

SGC -2020 1.8 to 30.0 MHz USB, LSB, CW Transceiver 20 Watts PEP $400.00

Icom IC-703 SSB, CW, AM, FM, Internal antenna tuner QRP Transceiver $350.00

SPECIFICATIONS
Type: Amateur HF/VHF transceiver Frequency range: 10-160 m + WARC Mode:
AM/FM/SSB/CW/RTTY RF Power output: 0.1-10 / 0.1-10 W in 5 steps
Sensitivity: SSB/CW/RTTY: 0.16 uV (10 dB S/N @ 1.8-30 MHz)
AM: 13 uV (10 dB S/N @ 0.5-1.8 MHz), 2 uV (10 dB S/N @ 1.8-30 MHz)
FM: 0.5 uV (12 dB SINAD @ 28-30 MHz) Selectivity: N/A Image rejection:
Better than 70 dB Voltage: 9-15.9 VDC Current drain: RX: 250-450 mA
TX: Max 3 A Impedance: 50 ohms, SO-239 Dimensions (W*H*D): 167*58*200 mm
Weight: 2 Kg Manufactured: Japan, 2002-200x Other: Built-in memory keyer
and auto-AT. DSP
105 memories.
New price 2008 in Sweden: 10500:- SEK Related documents: _User manual_
(http://www.rigpix.com/icom/ic703_manual.pdf) (8.1 MB)

Contact: Tom Koch - W4UOC
_w4uoc@..._ (mailto:w4uoc@...)
404-314-6109

# 1025. North Fulton ARES Net, 3/14/2010, 8:30 pm

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2010-03-13 00:26:45 UTC
From: nfares@yahoogroups.com
Topic: 1025  Message: 1025

Reminder from: nfares Yahoo! Group
http://groups.yahoo.com/group/nfares/cal

North Fulton ARES Net
Sunday March 14, 2010
8:30 pm - 9:30 pm
(This event repeats every week.)
Location: 147.060 MHz (plus 600kHz) PL 100.0. Backup is 145.470 MHz (minus 600 kHz) PL 100.0

Notes:
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# 1026. QRP Transceiver for Sale

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2010-03-14 18:16:16 UTC
From: w4uoc@aol.com
Topic: 1026  Message: 1026
Attachments: 1 described; binary payloads are missing from this source WARC

I had two low power/QRP transceivers for sale that were excess to my needs. The Icom-703 was sold within an hour of when I posted it. However, I do have the following:

SGC -2020 1.8 to 30.0 MHz USB, LSB, CW Transceiver 20 Watts PEP $400.00

Contact: Tom Koch - W4UOC
_w4uoc@..._ (mailto:w4uoc@...)
404-314-6109

# 1027. Ham operators needed for ING Marathon-Sun 3/21/10 , 6:00am-1:00pm

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2010-03-15 00:35:32 UTC
From: ke4qcm
Topic: 1027  Message: 1027

Ham radio operators needed for ING Marathon-Sun 3/21/10- 6:00am-1:00pm,
http://www.inggeorgiamarathon.com/Home_4.htm

Please see http://dekalbares.org/news.htm for more info.

Please contact KJ4CQJ Elliott Fried (kj4cqj@...) if you are interested in
helping out:

Thanks and 73,

KE4QCM
TOM
AEC DEKALB CO. ARES-NET OPS.
ASEC REPORTING-GA ARES

# 1028. TS-480HX for sale

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2010-03-16 20:42:16 UTC
From: n4bta
Topic: 1028  Message: 1028

Kenwood TS-480HX 200watt HF, 100watt 6 meter / no tuner
YF-107SN 1.8khz narrow SSB filter
SO-3 TCXO
MARS mod

I ran it mobile for about two years, it has been in the box since I bought the Colorado two years ago. Great rig in house or mobile.

Current HRO new price with installed options, $1,599.85 minus the $300 Kenwood coupon, $1299.85

Asking $800, email N4BTA@...

Thanks,
Bret

# 1029. North Fulton ARES Net, 3/21/2010, 8:30 pm

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2010-03-20 00:25:32 UTC
From: nfares@yahoogroups.com
Topic: 1029  Message: 1029

Reminder from: nfares Yahoo! Group
http://groups.yahoo.com/group/nfares/cal

North Fulton ARES Net
Sunday March 21, 2010
8:30 pm - 9:30 pm
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# 1030. Protek 40MHz Oscilloscope for Sale

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2010-03-21 01:31:03 UTC
From: cgcatle
Topic: 1030  Message: 1030

Protek 40MHz oscilloscope for sale. This scope is in excellent condition and includes 1x-10x switchable probes and owners manual. I am offering to members of NFARL, NOGAQRP and the SEDXC for $150. Here is an information link:
http://www.testequipmentdepot.com/protek/oscilloscopes/6504.htm <http://www.testequipmentdepot.com/protek/oscilloscopes/6504.htm> .
You are welcome to inspect the scope in my shack. Please contact off list at ae4cw@arrl.net <ae4cw@...> .

Chuck, AE4CW

# 1031. Weekly North Fulton Amateur Radio Emergency Service Net - March 21, 2010

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2010-03-22 01:06:38 UTC
From: sstaton@mindspring.com
Topic: 1031  Message: 1031

Good Evening All,

We had 17 stations check into the March 21st, 2010 NFARES net:

N4CUS John
KG5WU Wayne
AD4MC Mike
KD9RU Dave
KJ4MIJ Clyde
N4SEC Jim
AJ4NT Matt
KJ4YM Mark
N4BTA Brett
W4QO Jim
AE4CW Chuck
K4RNA Aaron
N4SBD Scott (remote internet connected, relayed by Mike AD4MC)
KE4IJX Darrell
N7BU Roger
AA4FA Don (checked in just after the net)
KD4NKE Shelia (Net Control)

Announcements:

1. Wayne KG5WU recognized Mike AD4MC and Karen N4MPB for volunteering for the ING Marathon held today.

Thank you for taking the time to check in with us this evening. The net concluded at 8:46 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Shelia
KD4NKE - AEC Sandy Springs

Thank you Wayne and Jim...you saved me!!

# 1032. Re: Kantronics KAM TNC

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2010-03-24 02:11:33 UTC
From: w4uoc@aol.com
Topic: 1032  Message: 1032

Wow... you have come a long way. Great... I would not change the firmware...It will not add that much to the capabilities.... I have used the 13 pin plug with my interface... a Rig Blaster and quite frankly had more RF problems getting into the audio line than when I use the headphone or speaker jack. I think you will find Pactor, Amtor and Rtty interesting modes... Good luck...If I can help let me know but it has been 10 years since I have used the KAM. Why don't you just send a note to the others in NFARS and see who has the other units... some were PK-232 TNCs and there were a couple KAMs. Send to _nfares@yahoogroups.com_ (mailto:nfares@yahoogroups.com) and see what they have to say...

I am going to be in Florida for the shuttle launch but will be back after that, probably on the 6th or 7th.

Tom

In a message dated 3/23/2010 8:23:39 P.M. Eastern Daylight Time, aa4fa@... writes:

Tom, I have gotten the db25-db9 modem cable to hook up the KAM to my laptop. It initializes and I can send commands and get responses from the unit.

I have downloaded the KAM/KPC Installation and Operations manuals and will download the Command manual this week. I also downloaded the Firmware upgrade for v6.1. The current version is 3.1. V6.1 provides:
* Mailbox Access via AMTOR; and
* PACTOR with mailbox access
However, an EEPROM at U25 will have to be replaced to be compatible with this firmware upgrade (if needed).

There are 2 radio jacks on the KAM, a db9 for VHF and an 8-pin DIN for HF. I have a cable with a db9 plug, but I haven't got the 8-pin DIN plug yet.

I have a mic plug on the TS-140S wired with 2 mini-jacks (mic+gnd & ptt+gnd), so I just need to get a couple of mini-plugs plus a plug for the External Speaker jack [they recommend picking up audio here and not from Headphone jack] and I should be able to get the HF to connect. On the other hand, it might be better to get the 13-pin DIN plug for the Accessory 2 jack on the transceiver where I can pick up everything.

For the VHF rig, I have the mic plug and the pinout for the mic jack, so this should more straight forward to get wired up.

I am going to be out of town for 10 days, starting Friday, so I don't have much hope of finishing before I leave, but I wanted you to know where I was with this.

73, Dan
PS: Do you recall who took the other Kantronics? Maybe I can exchange some info and find out if they've found any problems.

# 1033. North Fulton ARES Net, 3/28/2010, 8:30 pm

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2010-03-27 00:26:16 UTC
From: nfares@yahoogroups.com
Topic: 1033  Message: 1033

Reminder from: nfares Yahoo! Group
http://groups.yahoo.com/group/nfares/cal

North Fulton ARES Net
Sunday March 28, 2010
8:30 pm - 9:30 pm
(This event repeats every week.)
Location: 147.060 MHz (plus 600kHz) PL 100.0. Backup is 145.470 MHz (minus 600 kHz) PL 100.0

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# 1034. North Fulton ARES Net, 4/4/2010, 8:30 pm

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2010-04-03 00:25:27 UTC
From: nfares@yahoogroups.com
Topic: 1034  Message: 1034

Reminder from: nfares Yahoo! Group
http://groups.yahoo.com/group/nfares/cal

North Fulton ARES Net
Sunday April 4, 2010
8:30 pm - 9:30 pm
(This event repeats every week.)
Location: 147.060 MHz (plus 600kHz) PL 100.0. Backup is 145.470 MHz (minus 600 kHz) PL 100.0

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# 1035. NFARES 2-meter net, Sunday, April 4, 2010

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2010-04-05 01:46:33 UTC
From: MikeC
Topic: 1035  Message: 1035

We had 12 check-ins on the NFARES 2-meter net, Sunday, April 4, 2010
KD9RU, Dave, Milton
KG5WU, Wayne, Sandy Springs, BP
N4CUS, John, Roswell
N4JDO, Marty, E. Cobb
N8TKK, Dennis, Sandy Springs
N4SEC, Jim, Lake Lanier on Echolink
KD4NKE, Shelia Sandy Springs
KA3QXB, Paul, Milton
KJ4MTX, Ben, Piedmont, AL.
KE4IJK, Darrell, Jasper
KJ4HCB, Paul, Dunwoody
AD4MC, Mike, Net Control, Sandy Springs, BP
*BP = Battery Power
The next scheduled net will be Sunday, April 11th. This net closed at 8:40 PM.

# 1036. North Fulton County ARES Meeting, 4/13/2010, 7:00 pm

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2010-04-06 22:58:19 UTC
From: nfares@yahoogroups.com
Topic: 1036  Message: 1036

Reminder from: nfares Yahoo! Group
http://groups.yahoo.com/group/nfares/cal

North Fulton County ARES Meeting
Tuesday April 13, 2010
7:00 pm - 8:30 pm
(This event repeats every month on the second Tuesday.)
(The next reminder for this event will be sent in 6 days, 1 minute.)
Location: Sandy Springs City Council Chambers
Street: Morgan Falls Office Park, 7840 Roswell Road Building 500
City State Zip: Sandy Springs, GA 30350

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# 1037. North Fulton ARES Net, 4/11/2010, 8:30 pm

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2010-04-10 00:25:26 UTC
From: nfares@yahoogroups.com
Topic: 1037  Message: 1037

Reminder from: nfares Yahoo! Group
http://groups.yahoo.com/group/nfares/cal

North Fulton ARES Net
Sunday April 11, 2010
8:30 pm - 9:30 pm
(This event repeats every week.)
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# 1038. Fwd: NEAT WX INFO..;.

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2010-04-10 03:20:58 UTC
From: w4uoc@aol.com
Topic: 1038  Message: 1038
Attachments: 1 described; binary payloads are missing from this source WARC

I think you will be interested in the support provided by the Cherokee ARES to their EMA organization.

Tom Koch - W4UOC
EC - North Fulton ARES

# 1039. NFARES Sunday Net for 4/11/2010

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2010-04-12 02:10:36 UTC
From: Wayne Chapman
Topic: 1039  Message: 1039

We had 12 check-ins tonight.

kg5wu,wayne,ncs
w4uoc,tom
w4cng,steve,
n4sec,jim
ad4mc,mike
k4yji,bill
kd4ru,dave
w4qo,jim
n4cus,john
kd4nke,shelia
kj4mij,clyde
aj4nt,matt

Some of the announcements:

Tom reported that a bike event will be held May 2. More info to come.
ARES meeting is Tuesday 4/13 at 7p at Sandy Springs City Hall complex.
Topic is D-STAR/D-Rats.
Roswell Water Tower repeater (147.06) is back in service after some excellent work by WB4MAK Mack, W5JR Mike, N4SEC Jim and AE4CW Chuck. Thanks muchly to those guys !!

Net closed at 9:01p local.

# 1040. NFARES Meeting Room Change -Tuesday, April 13th

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2010-04-12 17:40:12 UTC
From: w4uoc@aol.com
Topic: 1040  Message: 1040

The meeting room for the April 13th NFARES meeting will be in the Public Works Department, Break Room instead of the normal City Council Chambers Training Room. We can gain entrance to the building by the Public Works Entrance on the North side of the same building, directly adjacent to Tijuana Joe's Rest. You can park on the drive between that entrance and Tijuana Joe's Rest.

Shelia KD4NKE will open that entrance door at 7:00 p.m.

Wayne KG5WU, we can set up prior to the meeting and gain entrance via the City Council Chambers entrance.

Jim Paine, N4SEC, can you bring the wireless router?

# 1041. North Fulton County ARES Meeting, 4/13/2010, 7:00 pm

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2010-04-12 22:56:29 UTC
From: nfares@yahoogroups.com
Topic: 1036  Message: 1041

Reminder from: nfares Yahoo! Group
http://groups.yahoo.com/group/nfares/cal

North Fulton County ARES Meeting
Tuesday April 13, 2010
7:00 pm - 8:30 pm
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Street: Morgan Falls Office Park, 7840 Roswell Road Building 500
City State Zip: Sandy Springs, GA 30350

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# 1042. Sandy Springs Cycling Challenge - May 2, 2009

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2010-04-13 00:11:51 UTC
From: w4uoc@aol.com
Topic: 1042  Message: 1042
Attachments: 2 described; binary payloads are missing from this source WARC

As last year, our North Fulton ARES group will be participating in the Sandy Springs Cycling Challenge on May 2, 2010. A poster and route map for this May 2nd event are attached. We are looking for amateur radio volunteers to help provide communications from various positions on the various cycling routes. If you are interested in helping with this event please contact me via return email.

Tom Koch - W4UOC
EC - North Fulton ARES
_w4uoc@..._ (mailto:w4uoc@...)
404-314-6109

# 1043. Re: [nfarl] Sandy Springs Cycling Challenge - May 2, 2009

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2010-04-13 02:54:26 UTC
From: Mike Cohen
Topic: 1042  Message: 1043

Tom,

Sign me up.

Here is a link with some additional info...
http://sandyspringschallenge.org/?page_id=3

73,
Mike - AD4MC

Mike Cohen
770-262-5212

On Mon, Apr 12, 2010 at 8:11 PM, <w4uoc@...> wrote:

>
>
> As last year, our North Fulton ARES group will be participating in the
> Sandy Springs Cycling Challenge on May 2, 2010. A poster and route map for
> this May 2nd event are attached. We are looking for amateur radio
> volunteers to help provide communications from various positions on the
> various cycling routes. If you are interested in helping with this event
> please contact me via return email.
>
> Tom Koch - W4UOC
> EC - North Fulton ARES
> w4uoc@...
> 404-314-6109
>
>
>

# 1044. Sandy Springs Cycling Challenge - May 2, 2009

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2010-04-13 13:41:45 UTC
From: w4uoc@aol.com
Topic: 1042  Message: 1044
Attachments: 2 described; binary payloads are missing from this source WARC

To date I have the following volunteers to help with the Sandy Springs Cycling Challenge. We can use more help !

Dan AF4FA
Mike AD4MC
Wayne KG5WU
Shelia KD4NKE
Tom W4UOC

As last year, our North Fulton ARES group will be participating in the Sandy Springs Cycling Challenge on May 2, 2010. A poster and route map for this May 2nd event are attached. We are looking for amateur radio volunteers to help provide communications from positions on the various cycling routes. If you are interested in helping with this event please contact me via return email.

Tom Koch - W4UOC
EC - North Fulton ARES
_w4uoc@..._ (mailto:w4uoc@...)
404-314-6109

# 1045. Volunteers need for Sandy Springs Cycle Challenge - May 2, 2010

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2010-04-15 13:00:02 UTC
From: w4uoc@aol.com
Topic: 1045  Message: 1045
Attachments: 1 described; binary payloads are missing from this source WARC

Additional volunteers are need for the Sandy Springs Cycle Challenge - May 2, 2010. (attached).
We especially need a couple of hams that have motorcycles and radios that can survey the 60 K portion of this cycling event. You should prepare to be available from 8:00 a.m. until mid afternoon on May 2nd.

If you can help, please respond directly to me, Tom Koch - W4UOC _w4uoc@..._ (mailto:w4uoc@...) or via phone 404-314-6109 with the following information.

Name Call Email Telephone Equipment Mode Tom Koch W4UOC _w4uoc@..._ (mailto:w4uoc@...) 404-314-6109 ID-800 VHF/UHF.

As of this date the following have responded that they will be helping with the Cycle Challenge
Tom Koch W4UOC Zac Hinds KJ4PRE Mike Cohen AD4MC Dan McKenzie AA4FA Shelia Staton KD4NKE George Lane KI4DSO Jim Paine N4SEC

SANDY SPRINGS CYCLE CHALLENGE 2010

Name Call Email Telephone Equipment Mode Tom Koch W4UOC _w4uoc@..._ (mailto:w4uoc@...) 404-314-6109 ID-800 VHF/UHF

# 1046. K3WNL - SK - Equipment for sale

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2010-04-15 20:40:09 UTC
From: w4uoc@aol.com
Topic: 1046  Message: 1046

I am handling the sale of some ham radio equipment from the estate of John Burdge - K3WNL.
I will will consider offers. The equipment can be seen and demonstrated at my QTH.

Tom Koch - W4UOC
8170 Habersham Waters Road
Sandy Springs, Ga 30350
404-314-6109

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---------- Kenwood 2000
160-70cm All Mode Transceiver $1,300 Kenwood 940-sat 160-10 meter All Mode Transceiver $950 Kenwood TM-231A 2 meter fm Transceiver $150 Icom 2800H VHF/UHF FM dual band Mobile Transceiver $400 Icom ID-800 VHF/UHF D-Star/Analog Transceiver Sold Yeasu FT-857-D 160-70cm All Mode Transceiver +mobine matching antennaa $900 Heathkit SB-102 80-10 meter ssb transceiver $300 Heathkit SB-300 80-10 meter ssb receiver
$150

Icom 718 160-10 meter ssb all mode transceiver
$400
SG-2020 160-10 meter ssb qrp transceiver
$400
Diawa CNW-518 Antenna tuner 1.4K pep input
$200
Icom IC-28A Two meter FM transceiver 25 watts
$100

# 1047. J-pole article by N3GO

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2010-04-16 01:52:34 UTC
From: Matthew Garland
Topic: 1047  Message: 1047

I mentioned this article at dinner before the ARES meeting Tuesday night. It describes the theory behind the matching stub of a J-pole antenna quite thoroughly, and explains why some J-pole designs might be difficult to replicate. If you're considering building a J-pole antenna, especially out of parallel transmission line, give this a read.

http://snow.prohosting.com/~w0rcy/Jpole/jpole.html

73 de Matt AJ4NT

# 1048. North Fulton ARES Net, 4/18/2010, 8:30 pm

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2010-04-17 00:25:26 UTC
From: nfares@yahoogroups.com
Topic: 1048  Message: 1048

Reminder from: nfares Yahoo! Group
http://groups.yahoo.com/group/nfares/cal

North Fulton ARES Net
Sunday April 18, 2010
8:30 pm - 9:30 pm
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# 1049. North Fulton ARES Net Report for April 18, 2010

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2010-04-22 20:33:01 UTC
From: Shelia Staton
Topic: 1049  Message: 1049

Greetings:

There were 16 check-ins for the April 18, 2010 ARES Net which was run from the City of Sandy Springs 911 Center:

W4UOC Tom
N4CUS John
KJ4MIJ Clyde
N4JDO Marty
N4SBD Scott
KG5WU Wayne
KD9RU Dave
AD4MC Mike
KI4DSO George
AA4FA Dan
K4YJI Bill
AJ4NT Matt
N4BTA Brett
WB4NWS Jim
AE4CW Chuck
KD4NKE Shelia (Net Control)

Tom announced the need to find a new (more stable) location for the monthly meetings. The group keeps getting bumped from the Training Room and 911 Center at Sandy Springs. If anyone has any ideas, please contact Tom.

The net concluded at 8:41 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Shelia
KD4NKE
Assistant EC - City of Sandy Springs

# 1050. North Fulton ARES Net, 4/25/2010, 8:30 pm

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2010-04-24 00:26:26 UTC
From: nfares@yahoogroups.com
Topic: 1050  Message: 1050

Reminder from: nfares Yahoo! Group
http://groups.yahoo.com/group/nfares/cal

North Fulton ARES Net
Sunday April 25, 2010
8:30 pm - 9:30 pm
(This event repeats every week.)
Location: 147.060 MHz (plus 600kHz) PL 100.0. Backup is 145.470 MHz (minus 600 kHz) PL 100.0

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# 1051. NFARES Net 4/25/10

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2010-04-27 13:37:54 UTC
From: David Hazell KD9RU
Topic: 1051  Message: 1051

The Sunday NFARES Net on 4/25/10 had the following stations check-in.
W4UCC, Tom, EC North Fulton, Sandy Springs
N4SEC, Jim, Alpharetta
N4SBD, Scott, Alpharetta, Emergency Power
AD4MC, Mike, Sandy Springs
W4QO, Jim, Roswell, Bat. Power
AJ4NT, MATT, Mobile
KJ4MIJ, Clyde, Mobile
N4BTA, brett, Alpharetta
KG5WU, Wayne, Sandy Springs
AA4FA, Dan, Mobile
KD4NKE, Sheila, Mobile
KD9RU, Dave, Milton, (Net Control)

ANNOUNCEMENTS:
W4UOC provided details concerning the May 2nd. Sandy Springs Cycle Challenge 60K Bike Race. The race will begin at 9:00 am Sunday morning. N3AIA and AB4CZ will be motorcycle mobile and will shadow racers to report mechanical breakdowns but will not be responsible to report injuries. The operating frequency will be 146.440 with a monitoring frequency using the 145.470 repeater.
The next regular NFARES meeting will be May 11th. at the Sandy Springs government complex.
Twelve stations participated in the net which concluded at 8:48 pm local time.

# 1052. Sandy Springs Cycle Challenge - May 2, 2010

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2010-04-27 21:41:36 UTC
From: w4uoc@aol.com
Topic: 1052  Message: 1052
Attachments: 2 described; binary payloads are missing from this source WARC

Members of NFARL and NFARES will be participating and providing communications support for the Sandy Springs Cycle Challenge on May 2, 2010. The races will include a 60 K race as well as several short route races, starting at 9:00 a.m.

Additional volunteers are welcome to help with communications support for the Sandy Springs Cycle Challenge - May 2, 2010.

If you want to participate, respond directly to me, Tom Koch - W4UOC _w4uoc@..._ (mailto:w4uoc@...) or via phone 404-314-6109 with the following information.

Participants should plan to meet at the west end of the Kroger parking lot, just south of Hammond Drive and east of Sandy Springs Circle, at 8:30 a.m. to receive a pre race briefing and make location assignments. We can coordinate the gathering location on 146.49 simplex, the frequency we will use for the short route races.

Bring a two meter portable or hand-held transceiver with spare batteries programmed for 146.47 simplex for use throughout the day. Use low power as most assignment locations will be within a few 100 yards of the net control station.

I would hope that you can commit to working both the a.m. and p.m. shifts but if you have limited time please call me to discuss which shift you can work.
.
As of this date the following have responded that they will be helping with the Cycle Challenge

Name Call Tom Koch W4UOC Don Hinds WD4ON Zac Hinds KJ4PRE Mike Cohen AD4MC Dan McKenzie AA4FA Shelia Staton KD4NKE George Lane KI4DSO Jim Paine N4SEC Doug Reed N3AIA Jim Krause AB4CZ Paul Talaga KA3QXB John Kludt K7SYS

# 1053. Sandy Springs Cycle Challenge - May 2, 2010

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2010-04-27 21:56:34 UTC
From: w4uoc@aol.com
Topic: 1052  Message: 1053

There is a minor correction to the Sandy Springs Cycle Challenge directions.
The Kroger is just north of Hammond Drive and East of Sandy Springs Circle...

Sorry.

Tom Koch - W4UOC

# 1054. Sandy Springs Cycle Challenge - May 2, 2010 - Corrections

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2010-04-28 03:04:42 UTC
From: w4uoc@aol.com
Topic: 1054  Message: 1054
Attachments: 2 described; binary payloads are missing from this source WARC

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# 1055. Sandy Springs Cycle Challenge - Update

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2010-04-30 14:30:20 UTC
From: w4uoc@aol.com
Topic: 1055  Message: 1055

The weather predictions for Sunday May 2nd call for only a 20% chance of rain. However those of you that will be assisting in the Sandy Springs Cycle Challenge should still come prepared for rain with a rain suit or umbrella. If you are a CERT member I would suggest you wear your CERT vest or if you have any type of reflective vest or ARES vest, that you wear it to help define your roll and participation in this event. I will have some extra vests with me Sunday morning.

Thank you for your willingness to participate. You will find the races quite interesting and you should not be too stressed out with your duties as I do not want nor expect any accidents.

Shelia KD4NKE will be the acting net control for the short route races ( 146.49 simplex) and Mike AD4MC will be the net control for the 60 K event .which will be on the 145.47 repeater.

When you arrive check in with Shelia and she will show you on the map where you will be assigned during the races.

73

Tom Koch - W4UOC
404-314-6109

# 1056. North Fulton ARES Net, 5/2/2010, 8:30 pm

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2010-05-01 00:25:29 UTC
From: nfares@yahoogroups.com
Topic: 1056  Message: 1056

Reminder from: nfares Yahoo! Group
http://groups.yahoo.com/group/nfares/cal

North Fulton ARES Net
Sunday May 2, 2010
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# 1057. Fwd: [nfarl] Sandy Springs Cycle Challenge - Update

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2010-05-01 10:40:58 UTC
From: w4uoc@aol.com
Topic: 1057  Message: 1057

Looks like the weather may be OK for Sunday but I would still prepare for the chance of rain. I'd also suggest you bring a comfortable lawn or camp chair. We will provide a relief person so you can get a break for lunch and other needs.

See ya Sunday.

Tomn

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From: w4uoc@...
Reply-to: nfarl@yahoogroups.com
To: nfarl@yahoogroups.com, nfares@yahoogroups.com
Sent: 4/30/2010 10:31:10 A.M. Eastern Daylight Time
Subj: [nfarl] Sandy Springs Cycle Challenge - Update

The weather predictions for Sunday May 2nd call for only a 20% chance of rain. However those of you that will be assisting in the Sandy Springs Cycle Challenge should still come prepared for rain with a rain suit or umbrella. If you are a CERT member I would suggest you wear your CERT vest or if you have any type of reflective vest or ARES vest, that you wear it to help define your roll and participation in this event. I will have some extra vests with me Sunday morning.

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73

Tom Koch - W4UOC
404-314-6109

# 1058. NFARES 2-meter net, Sunday, May 2, 2010

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2010-05-03 02:19:10 UTC
From: MikeC
Topic: 1058  Message: 1058

We had 13 check-ins on the NFARES 2-meter net, Sunday, May 2, 2010
W4UOC, Tom, Sandy Springs, EC North Fulton
AA4FA, Dan, Sandy Springs, BP
N4SBD, Scott, Alpharetta, BP
KD9RU, Dave, Milton
N4SEC, Jim, Alpharetta, BP
KJ4MIJ, Clyde, Dunwoody, BP
K4YJI, Bill, E. Cobb, BP
KD4NKE, Shelia Sandy Springs
W4QO, Jim, W. Roswell, BP
N4JDO, Marty, E. Cobb
AJ4NT, Matt, Dunwoody
AG4WY, Mark, Sandy Springs
AD4MC, Mike, Net Control, Sandy Springs, BP
*BP = Battery Power

Comments:
Tom, W4UOC, recognized the people who helped with the Sandy Springs Cycle Challenge. This is a 100 KM/60 MI event that begins in Sandy Springs and loops out past Six Flags: Don Hinds, WD4ON; Zac Hinds, KJ4PRE; Dan McKenzie, AA4FA; George Lane, KI4DSO; Jim Paine, N4SEC; Paul Petalaga, KA3QXB; John Kludt, K7SYS; Doug Reed, N3AIA; Jim Krouse, AB4CZ; Shelia Staton, KD4NKE, NCS Sandy Springs and Mike Cohen, AD4MC, NCS SAG (Support and Gear) near Six Flags. {Note that Tom Koch, W4UOC, set up the ham NFARL support for this event and was on site.}

This is the first year we provided support for the full 100 KM/60 MI Challenge. Doug, N3IAI, and Jim, AB4CZ, used 2M radios on their motorcycles while following the riders along the entire circuit to report any problems and to help them stay on course. After passing the 20 mile NCS SAG station, the race coordinator, Don Dutson, saw that several cyclists took a wrong turn. Our communications capabilities enabled Doug, N3AIA, to backtrack and leave the course to "guide them" back to the correct route proving our ability to provide meaningful support.

Shelia, KD4NKE, recognized the "above and beyond" information that John, K7SYS, passed along to the team that he got from the Start/Finish Line announcer.

Announcement:
Tom announced that our next NFARES meeting will be on Tuesday, May 11th at the Sandy Springs City Council Chambers, Morgan Falls Office Park, 7840 Roswell Road Building 500, Sandy Springs, GA 30350.

A topic of discussion will be cross-band repeat capabilities. Mike, AD4MC, will give a demonstration of the setup that was used for the Sandy Springs Cycle Challenge and could be used during other emergency communications activities.

The next scheduled net will be Sunday, May 9th. This net closed at 8:44 PM.

# 1059. Going to Dayton? Join Us for Lunch!

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2010-05-04 11:28:53 UTC
From: Mack WB4MAK
Topic: 1059  Message: 1059

If you plan to attend Dayton this year then please join your fellow hams for lunch in the bleachers behind HRO in Harrah Arena at 11:30 AM on Saturday, May 15th.

We've made this a yearly luncheon where all Atlanta hams are welcome to meet and have a few eyeball QSOs. Just pick up your lunch around 11:15 and meet high in the bleachers behind HRO.

I look forward to seeing all my friends there.

73,

Mack de WB4MAK

# 1060. North Fulton County ARES Meeting, 5/11/2010, 7:00 pm

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2010-05-04 22:56:21 UTC
From: nfares@yahoogroups.com
Topic: 1060  Message: 1060

Reminder from: nfares Yahoo! Group
http://groups.yahoo.com/group/nfares/cal

North Fulton County ARES Meeting
Tuesday May 11, 2010
7:00 pm - 8:30 pm
(This event repeats every month on the second Tuesday.)
(The next reminder for this event will be sent in 6 days, 3 minutes.)
Location: Sandy Springs City Council Chambers
Street: Morgan Falls Office Park, 7840 Roswell Road Building 500
City State Zip: Sandy Springs, GA 30350

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# 1061. Re: 17 May 2010 Pandemic Drill

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2010-05-05 23:38:23 UTC
From: w4uoc@aol.com
Topic: 1061  Message: 1061

I have several members of our NFARES group that are retired and could probably be available to help.
Get me the details and I will cover this at our next meeting Tuesday, May 11th.

Tom Koch
EC - NFARES

In a message dated 5/5/2010 2:11:36 P.M. Eastern Daylight Time, K9VR@... writes:

Tom,
I do not expect, but invite anyone that would like to participate. I understand that it is on a work day for many and that a lot of operators will still be out of town for Dayton. I have a good many of my people that will be out of town. I am hoping that with some mutual aid, we can make a good showing for ARES. There will be participants and observers from Homeland Security, FEMA and GEMA. This will also be a good opportunity for folks in the region to unite for a common task and see what our strengths and weaknesses are. Anyone that can and it does not create a hardship on is invited.
Thanx,
Michael AA4BA

----- Original Message -----
From: _W4UOC@..._ (mailto:W4UOC@...)
To: _K9VR@..._ (mailto:K9VR@...)
Sent: Wednesday, May 05, 2010 1:12 PM
Subject: Re: 17 May 2010 Pandemic Drill

Do you expect or want the North Fulton ARES group to participate in this drill?

Tom Koch - W4UOC
EC NFARES

In a message dated 5/5/2010 10:28:38 A.M. Eastern Daylight Time, _K9VR@..._ (mailto:K9VR@...) writes:

Folks,
I have made a mistake in my timeline for the Pandemic Flu Drill. It is 17 May 2010 and not 15 May. I hope my mistake makes an opportunity for more people to participate.
Thanx,
Michael

_____
Michael V. Crowder AA4BA

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# 1062. Re: [nfares] North Fulton County ARES Meeting, 5/11/2010, 7:00 pm

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2010-05-06 02:11:57 UTC
From: Mike Cohen
Topic: 1060  Message: 1062

For this month's meeting on Tuesday, May 11th, I'll be giving a presentation on Cross Band Repeat techniques, including how we covered the entire 100 K / 60 Mile Sandy Springs Cycling Challenge course last Sunday. We'll also have a hands-on demo to show how we could use cross band repeat in future Chat/Comm and SET exercises...so just bring along a 2M HT and set it for 146.49 simplex to join in the fun.

73,
Mike - AD4MC

Mike Cohen
770-262-5212

On Tue, May 4, 2010 at 6:56 PM, <nfares@yahoogroups.com> wrote:

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> Reminder from: *nfares Yahoo! Group<http://groups.yahoo.com/group/nfares/cal>
> * Title: North Fulton County ARES Meeting Date: Tuesday May 11,
> 2010 Time: 7:00 pm - 8:30 pm Repeats: This event repeats every month
> on the second Tuesday. Next reminder: The next reminder for this event
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# 1063. North Fulton ARES Net, 5/9/2010, 8:30 pm

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2010-05-08 00:25:37 UTC
From: nfares@yahoogroups.com
Topic: 1063  Message: 1063

Reminder from: nfares Yahoo! Group
http://groups.yahoo.com/group/nfares/cal

North Fulton ARES Net
Sunday May 9, 2010
8:30 pm - 9:30 pm
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# 1064. North Fulton County ARES Meeting, 5/11/2010, 7:00 pm

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2010-05-10 22:58:22 UTC
From: nfares@yahoogroups.com
Topic: 1060  Message: 1064

Reminder from: nfares Yahoo! Group
http://groups.yahoo.com/group/nfares/cal

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Tuesday May 11, 2010
7:00 pm - 8:30 pm
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City State Zip: Sandy Springs, GA 30350

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# 1065. NFARES 2-meter net, Sunday, May 9, 2010

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2010-05-11 14:04:04 UTC
From: Wayne Chapman
Topic: 1065  Message: 1065

There were 12 check-ins for the Sunday night net for 5/9/2010.

kg5wu, Wayne, NCS
w4uoc, Tom
n4sec, Jim
n4cus, John
kd9ru, Dave
aj4nt, Matt
ad4mc, Mike
n4sbd, Scott
kj4mij, Clyde
n4bta, Bret
ae4cw, Chuck
aa4fa, Dan

w4uoc Tom reminded us of the NFARES meeting on Tuesday night 5/11 at the Sandy Spring City Hall complex at 7p.
Topic will be Cross Band Repeat in Emergency Applications. Attendees are encouraged to bring 2m HT set to 146.49 simplex and participate in the live demo.

Net was closed at 8:50p local time.

# 1066. North Fulton ARES Net, 5/16/2010, 8:30 pm

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2010-05-15 00:25:43 UTC
From: nfares@yahoogroups.com
Topic: 1066  Message: 1066

Reminder from: nfares Yahoo! Group
http://groups.yahoo.com/group/nfares/cal

North Fulton ARES Net
Sunday May 16, 2010
8:30 pm - 9:30 pm
(This event repeats every week.)
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# 1067. Programinng Software for an Icom IC-F320-6 Land Mobile Transceiver

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2010-05-16 02:30:39 UTC
From: w4uoc@aol.com
Topic: 1067  Message: 1067

Does anyone have the programing Software for an Icom IC-F320-6 Land Mobile Transceiver. This radio was provided for our use at the Sandy Springs EOC from the Atlanta Fulton County EMA. It can not be programmed from the radio.

Tom Koch - W4UOC

# 1068. Dayton

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2010-05-13 22:35:23 UTC
From: paul_ka3qxb
Topic: 1068  Message: 1068

Hope everyone going to Dayton has a safe and enjoyable trip.
Paul
KA3QXB

# 1069. Weekly North Fulton ARES Net Report for 05/16/2010

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2010-05-21 21:18:38 UTC
From: Shelia Staton
Topic: 1069  Message: 1069

We had twelve (12) check-ins for the 5/16/2010 weekly North Fulton ARES net which was run from the City of Sandy Springs EOC:

W4UOC Tom EC-North Fulton
AA4FA Dan - Dunwoody (battery power)
N4SEC Jim - Alpharetta (battery power)
N4SBD Scott - Alpharetta (battery power)
KD9RU Dave - Milton
N4CUS John - Roswell
KI4DSO George - Norcross (battery power)
AD4MC Mike - Sandy Springs (battery power)
KG5WU Wayne - Sandy Springs (battery power)
KJ4MIJ Clyde - Dunwoody(battery power)
N4BTA Brett - Alpharetta (battery power)
KD4NKE Shelia - AEC-City of Sandy Springs (net control)

The net concluded at 8:40 p.m.

# 1070. Fwd: re: Article in Lakeside Ledger 5-19-2010 and Field Day Announcement

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2010-05-21 21:26:22 UTC
From: Jim Stafford
Topic: 1070  Message: 1070
Attachments: 1 described; binary payloads are missing from this source WARC

FYI, from our friends in Cherokee County. jim/w4qo

-------- Original Message --------

Subject:

re: Article in Lakeside Ledger 5-19-2010 and Field Day Announcement

Date:

Wed, 19 May 2010 18:30:05 -0400

From:

WB4NWS Jim Millsap

To:

Just a quick note to advise of an article (see attached) published in today's Lakeside Ledger newspaper in Woodstock, GA, regarding the weather station recently installed on Pine Log Mountain by the Cherokee County Amateur Radio Emergency Service group. Our volunteer group is honored and pleased to serve the citizens of Cherokee County, our County and City governments of Cherokee County, and the Office of Homeland Security-Emergency Management for Cherokee County, under the excellent leadership of Director Robby Westbrook. We greatly appreciate the support of Director Westbrook, Deputy Director Renee Cornelison, and Commissioner Jim Hubbard. Our Cherokee ARES group values the relationship we have with Cherokee County is glad to be a part of providing a service to our fine county.

We are approaching the annual American Radio Relay League (ARRL) "Field Day" on Saturday and Sunday, June 26/27th, (mark your calendars please). This annual public relations event is held once a year to demonstrate to the public and served agencies, the capabilities of Amateur Radio Emergency Service (ARES). This year our group has selected to set up a public demonstration of Emergency Communications at Oak Grove Community Room, 100 Ridgemill Ct. Acworth, GA. 30102, located at the corner of Hwy 92 and Ridgemill Ct, just east of I-75. The site was selected for location on a major hi-way for visibility and near the interstate for ease of access. Everyone is invited to come see and learn about what our group does. Field Day is an event we look forward to each year to not only demonstrate Emergency Communications, but to have fun, fellowship, and the food is always great too! I hope you will mark your calendars for this event and stop by to visit with us. A reminder of this event will be sent via a press release in June. Thank you again for allowing us to be of service.

Jim Millsap-WB4NWS

Emergency Coordinator

Cherokee County GA ARES

# 1071. North Fulton ARES Net, 5/23/2010, 8:30 pm

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2010-05-22 00:26:20 UTC
From: nfares@yahoogroups.com
Topic: 1071  Message: 1071

Reminder from: nfares Yahoo! Group
http://groups.yahoo.com/group/nfares/cal

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# 1072. ARES NET REPORT

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2010-05-24 14:30:51 UTC
From: David Hazell KD9RU
Topic: 1072  Message: 1072

The following stations checked in to the May 23rd. NFARES Net:
W4UOC Tom EC North Fulton
N4SBD Scott BP Alpharetta
KG5WU Wayne BP Sandy Springs
N4BTA Brett BP Alpharetta
N4SEC Jim Alpharetta
KI4DSO George BP Norcross
KJ4MIJ Clyde BP Dunwoody
KD9RU Dave Milton (Net Control)

COMMENTS:
Fire Chief Jeff Scarborough (Sandy Springs) will be contacting Fire Chief Robert Edgar (Milton) in the next couple of weeks to discuss the benefits of NFARES affiliation and as a preliminary to a visit by an NFARES team (W4UOC,N4SEC,KD9RU).
The net closed at 08:41 PM local time.

# 1073. North Fulton ARES Net, 5/30/2010, 8:30 pm

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2010-05-29 00:25:38 UTC
From: nfares@yahoogroups.com
Topic: 1073  Message: 1073

Reminder from: nfares Yahoo! Group
http://groups.yahoo.com/group/nfares/cal

North Fulton ARES Net
Sunday May 30, 2010
8:30 pm - 9:30 pm
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# 1074. North Fulton County ARES Meeting, 6/8/2010, 7:00 pm

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2010-06-01 22:58:58 UTC
From: nfares@yahoogroups.com
Topic: 1074  Message: 1074

Reminder from: nfares Yahoo! Group
http://groups.yahoo.com/group/nfares/cal

North Fulton County ARES Meeting
Tuesday June 8, 2010
7:00 pm - 8:30 pm
(This event repeats every month on the second Tuesday.)
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Location: Sandy Springs City Council Chambers
Street: Morgan Falls Office Park, 7840 Roswell Road Building 500
City State Zip: Sandy Springs, GA 30350

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# 1075. Ham radio volunteers wanted for Peachtree Road Race - July 4, 2010

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2010-06-03 13:14:20 UTC
From: David Ziskind, KE4QLH
Topic: 1075  Message: 1075

Hi all,

I'm looking for another 'army' of ham radio volunteers for this year's Peachtree Road Race.  Can you join us on Sunday, July 4, 2010 for an Atlanta tradition and fun but important amateur radio public service opportunity?

Please sign up online using this link:
<http://www.doitsports.com/volunteer2/user-volunteer-signup.tcl?job_id=17368613&event_id=191810&job_desp=Communications+-+Ham+Operator&volunteer_date=2010-07-04&start_time=06%3a00+AM&end_time=12%3a00+PM>

Also please let me know if you have any preferences in terms of assignment, time constraints, etc.

I look forward to seeing you on July 4!

73,
David Ziskind KE4QLH
ke4qlh@...
404-966-6864

# 1076. NFARES Meeting Tuesday, June 8th

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2010-06-04 20:57:30 UTC
From: MikeC
Topic: 1076  Message: 1076

For this month's NFARES meeting on Tuesday, June 8th, Mike - AD4MC, will be presenting Cross Band Repeat Techniques Part 2, including how to set up tone squelch to minimize false keying. We'll also have a hands-on workshop to set up your radios for tone/tone squelch to use with cross band repeat in future Chat/Comm and SET exercises...so just bring along a 2M radio (and the manual if you have it) and have some fun.

# 1077. North Fulton ARES Net, 6/6/2010, 8:30 pm

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2010-06-05 00:25:45 UTC
From: nfares@yahoogroups.com
Topic: 1077  Message: 1077

Reminder from: nfares Yahoo! Group
http://groups.yahoo.com/group/nfares/cal

North Fulton ARES Net
Sunday June 6, 2010
8:30 pm - 9:30 pm
(This event repeats every week.)
Location: 147.060 MHz (plus 600kHz) PL 100.0. Backup is 145.470 MHz (minus 600 kHz) PL 100.0

Notes:
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# 1078. NFARES 2-meter net, Sunday, June 6, 2010

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2010-06-07 01:59:37 UTC
From: MikeC
Topic: 1078  Message: 1078

We had 10 check-ins on the NFARES 2-meter net, Sunday, June 6, 2010
W4UOC, Tom, Sandy Springs, EC North Fulton, CBR
KD9RU, Dave, Milton
N4CUS, John, Roswell
KG5WU, Wayne, Sandy Springs, BP
KD4NKE, Shelia, Sandy Springs
N4BTA, Bret, Alpharetta FS, CBR
N4SBD, Scott, Alpharetta, BP, CBR
N4MPB, Karen, Johns Creek, BP
AA4FA, Dan, Sandy Springs, BP
AD4MC, Mike, Net Control, Sandy Springs, BP

BP = Battery Power
CBR = Cross Band Repeat

Comments:
Tom, W4UOC, recognized Dave - KD9RU and Jim - N4SEC who joined him to meet with the Milton fire chief and EMA manager. We were given permission to survey the Milton Fire Stations for ARES setup. Both the fire chief and EMA manager had been involved with Florida hurricanes and had also been directly involved with Hurricane Katrina, so they were very receptive to our offer. Dave - KD9RU added that we committed to completing the surveys within two weeks.

Announcement:
Tom ☐ W4UOC and Mike ☐ AD4MC will be testing 446.2 simplex with a tone of 103.5 between the 911 EOC station and Preston Ridge, tomorrow, Tuesday, at 11:30 AM. If that is successful, we will then set up Cross Band Repeat on Preston Ridge with 147.51 and 82.5 Hz tone. Please join us on either frequency.

For this month's NFARES meeting on Tuesday, June 8th, Mike - AD4MC, will be presenting Cross Band Repeat Techniques Part 2, including how to set up tone squelch to minimize false keying. We'll also have a hands-on workshop to set up your radios for tone/tone squelch to use with cross band repeat in future Chat/Comm and SET exercises...so just bring along a 2M radio (and the manual if you have it) and have some fun.

The next scheduled net will be Sunday, June 13th. This net closed at 8:42 PM.

73,
Mike - AD4MC
770-262-5212

# 1079. Re: [nfares] NFARES 2-meter net, Sunday, June 6, 2010

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2010-06-07 12:07:49 UTC
From: Mike Cohen
Topic: 1078  Message: 1079

Please not that the EOC-Preston Ridge test will be today at 11:30 AM and not on Tuesday as stated in the report.

Announcement:
Tom – W4UOC and Mike – AD4MC will be testing 446.2 simplex with a tone of 103.5 between the 911 EOC station and Preston Ridge, tomorrow, Monday, at 11:30 AM. If that is successful, we will then set up Cross Band Repeat on Preston Ridge with 147.51 and 82.5 Hz tone. Please join us on either frequency.

73,
Mike - AD4MC

Mike Cohen
770-262-5212

On Sun, Jun 6, 2010 at 9:59 PM, MikeC <ad4mc.mike@...> wrote:

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> W4UOC, Tom, Sandy Springs, EC North Fulton, CBR
> KD9RU, Dave, Milton
> N4CUS, John, Roswell
> KG5WU, Wayne, Sandy Springs, BP
> KD4NKE, Shelia, Sandy Springs
> N4BTA, Bret, Alpharetta FS, CBR
> N4SBD, Scott, Alpharetta, BP, CBR
> N4MPB, Karen, Johns Creek, BP
> AA4FA, Dan, Sandy Springs, BP
> AD4MC, Mike, Net Control, Sandy Springs, BP
> 
> BP = Battery Power
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> 
> Comments:
> Tom, W4UOC, recognized Dave - KD9RU and Jim - N4SEC who joined him to meet
> with the Milton fire chief and EMA manager. We were given permission to
> survey the Milton Fire Stations for ARES setup. Both the fire chief and EMA
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> involved with Hurricane Katrina, so they were very receptive to our offer.
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> squelch to minimize false keying. We'll also have a hands-on workshop to set
> up your radios for tone/tone squelch to use with cross band repeat in future
> Chat/Comm and SET exercises...so just bring along a 2M radio (and the manual
> if you have it) and have some fun.
>
> The next scheduled net will be Sunday, June 13th. This net closed at 8:42
> PM.
>
> 73,
> Mike - AD4MC
> 770-262-5212
>
>
>

# 1080. North Fulton County ARES Meeting, 6/8/2010, 7:00 pm

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2010-06-07 22:58:50 UTC
From: nfares@yahoogroups.com
Topic: 1074  Message: 1080

Reminder from: nfares Yahoo! Group
http://groups.yahoo.com/group/nfares/cal

North Fulton County ARES Meeting
Tuesday June 8, 2010
7:00 pm - 8:30 pm
(This event repeats every month on the second Tuesday.)
Location: Sandy Springs City Council Chambers
Street: Morgan Falls Office Park, 7840 Roswell Road Building 500
City State Zip: Sandy Springs, GA 30350

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# 1081. Sunday Night NFARES Net 911 Center/EOC Cross-Band Repeater Test

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2010-06-11 21:15:47 UTC
From: MikeC
Topic: 1081  Message: 1081

After our June 13th Sunday night net, please join us in a cross-band repeater test. Tom, W4UOC, will be operating from the Sandy Springs 911 Center/EOC and Bret, N4BTA, will be operating a cross-band repeater from his "high point" QTH in Alpharetta near Preston Ridge.

Since you may not be able to hear other stations, please key your radio only when responding to Tom's roll call to prevent doubling.

Here are the simplex frequencies:
911 Center/EOC: 446.2 @ 100.0 HZ
N4BTA Cross-Band: 446.2 @ 100 Hz & 147.51 @ 100 HZ
All Served Agencies, whether you are at your home QTH or at a fire station: 147.51 @ 100 Hz or 446.2 @ 100 Hz if you have the 70 CM equipment and are in range of the 911 Center/EOC. Using the KISS approach, you should not use the added complexity of a cross-band repeater if you can reliably work the 911 Center/EOC directly on 446.2 simplex.

When you respond to Tom's roll call, please let him know if you are transmitting on 2M or 70CM.

With your help and suggestions, we should be able to grow this into a reliable and robust system.

73,

Mike - AD4MC
770-262-5212

# 1082. North Fulton ARES Net, 6/13/2010, 8:30 pm

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2010-06-12 00:25:29 UTC
From: nfares@yahoogroups.com
Topic: 1082  Message: 1082

Reminder from: nfares Yahoo! Group
http://groups.yahoo.com/group/nfares/cal

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# 1083. Re: Roswell Bicycles needs a hand if your club guys are available!

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2010-06-13 12:43:11 UTC
From: w4uoc@aol.com
Topic: 1083  Message: 1083

I would suggest you get in contact with the Jasper club or their ARES organization. From the Jasper repeaters you can cover the entire route... I will forward this to Reed WW3A _rokww3a@..._ (mailto:rokww3a@...) and he can forward it to an officer of their club or ARES group.

I'll also ask if any of our NFARL or NFARES group would like to participate. I will be in Ellijay and may be able to help on the north end of the route. I am also send this to Jim Hadder KE4ZX and Dave Meadows K4LDI both who are involved with both the Ellijay club and their ARES organization.

Tom Koch - W4UOC

In a message dated 6/12/2010 8:12:17 P.M. Eastern Daylight Time, ae4cw@... writes:

James,

The Burnt Mountain area is quiet a bit out of our operating zone. I suggest you contact the Ellijay Amateur Radio Society to see if they may be able to provide assistance. Wayne Burgess is the secretary and can be contacted at _w4yne@..._ (mailto:w4yne@...) . Here is a telephone contact for the club: (706)276-4877
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Chuck Catledge, AE4CW

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From: James Mann [mailto:jamesdmann@...]
Sent: Thursday, June 10, 2010 6:09 PM
To: wb4mak@...; ae4cw@...
Cc: Tracy Madigan
Subject: Roswell Bicycles needs a hand if your club guys are available!

Mack & Chuck,

I'm James with Roswell Bicycles in Roswell, Ga. I've been helping a lady by the name of Tracy Madigan with the GA Cancer Foundation for the last few weeks. She's planning to host their first benefit bike ride on Sunday July 25 2010. We've recommended she use radio communications considering the length of the ride (104miles, out & back) and having SAG vehicles spread out over Burnt Mountain (midpoint of ride) with spotty cell reception.

If you guys can offer a hand or know of anyone who could be of assistance please get in touch with me at _james@..._ (mailto:james@...)

Tracy's direct email is _tracy.madigan@..._ (mailto:tracy.madigan@...)

Thanks again for anything you can do,

James Mann
Roswell Bicycles
670 Houze Way
Roswell, GA 30076
_james@..._ (mailto:james@...)
770.642.4057 x257

# 1084. NFARES 2-meter net, Sunday, June 13, 2010

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2010-06-14 01:56:02 UTC
From: Wayne Chapman
Topic: 1084  Message: 1084

Tonight we had 12 check-ins to the 2010-06-13 edition of the NFARES net.

AA4FA - Dan
AD4MC - Mike
K4YJI - Bill
KD4NKE - Shelia
KD9RU - Dave
KG5WU (NCS) - Wayne
KI4DSO - George
KJ4MIJ - Clyde
N4BTA - Bret
N4SEC - Jim
W4UOC (NCS) - Tom
WK4U - Tim

We also conducted a cross-band simplex net with EOC/911 Center on 70cm and everyone else on 2m. The test was a success.

Next net is next Sunday at 830p local.

73 de Wayne/kg5wu

# 1085. North Fulton ARES Net, 6/20/2010, 8:30 pm

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2010-06-19 00:25:35 UTC
From: nfares@yahoogroups.com
Topic: 1085  Message: 1085

Reminder from: nfares Yahoo! Group
http://groups.yahoo.com/group/nfares/cal

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Sunday June 20, 2010
8:30 pm - 9:30 pm
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# 1086. Open Invitation to Attend the NFARL Field Day

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2010-06-21 16:45:14 UTC
From: Mack WB4MAK
Topic: 1086  Message: 1086

All Metro Atlanta amateur radio operators, their friends, relatives, and guests and anyone else interested in amateur radio, emergency communications, and today's communications technologies, are invited to attend and participate in the North Fulton Amateur Radio League's 2010 Field Day activities. Field Day will be this Saturday and Sunday, June 26-27, at Waller Park Extension in Roswell. The park is located at 160 Dobbs Drive, Roswell, GA, 30075, and is posted on the ARRL Field Day Locator web page (http://www.arrl.org/field-day-locator). Operations begin at 2:00 PM Saturday and run continuously through 2:00 PM Sunday. Operations include CW, 2 SSB stations, a V/UHF station, and a GOTA station. For more information, please contact NFARL Field Day chair Ian Kahn, AK4IK, at ak4ik@..., or visit http://www.nfarl.org."

# 1087. North Fulton ARES Weekly Net Report for Sunday, June 20,2010

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2010-06-22 14:39:56 UTC
From: Shelia Staton
Topic: 1087  Message: 1087

We had twelve (9) check-ins for the 6/20/2010 weekly North Fulton ARES net which was run from the City of Sandy Springs EOC:

W4UOC Tom EC-North Fulton
AA4FA Dan - Dunwoody
N4SBD Scott - Alpharetta (battery power/cross band)
AD4MC Mike - Sandy Springs (battery power)
W4QO Jim - Roswell (battery power)
KD9RU Dave - Milton
KG5WU Wayne - Sandy Springs
KJ4MIJ Clyde - Dunwoody(battery power)
KD4NKE Shelia - AEC - City of Sandy Springs (net control)

The net concluded at 8:39 p.m. Thanks to all who took time out on Father's Day to participate!

Respectfully submitted,

Shelia
KD4NKE

# 1088. Candle Power

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2010-06-22 18:05:06 UTC
From: w4uoc@aol.com
Topic: 1088  Message: 1088
Attachments: 1 described; binary payloads are missing from this source WARC

Can you explain this one ?

Tom Koch - W4UOC

# 1089. Hurricane Emergency Exercise

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2010-06-24 11:50:58 UTC
From: w4uoc@aol.com
Topic: 1089  Message: 1089

HURREX Emergency Drill

GEMA has initiated an exercise (HURREX 2010) with “Tropical Storm ‘Sofie’” ESE of Savannah, which we will assume develops into a full hurricane as the drill progresses. Our Section Traffic Manager, Charles K4GK has asked ARES participation as follows: “The Statewide Hurricane GEMA (FEMA) drill be next week, June 28, 29, and 30.
In support of these operations The Georgia Statewide ARES Net will again be active on 3975 kHz.
Plans are to call the Net into session Tuesday, June 29. The net is scheduled for operations at 9:00 A.M., 12:00 Noon, and again at 3:00 P.M. The Net may also be active at other times and frequencies if conditions and emergency drill operations warrant.
The purpose of this operation is to show our capabilities to communicate over long distances during any time of need.
All stations are encouraged to check into the Statewide Net.
This is the tenth (10th) year that Georgia ARES Statewide Net has participated in the Statewide (FEMA) Hurrex Drill held each year in June.”
Like an actual event, I encourage you to watch on the web sites (GAARES.ORG and ARRL-GA.ORG) as well as monitoring the Georgia ARES frequency 3.975 including the 7PM Georgia SSB net for updates. We don’t know in advance what will happen as this drill hurricane develops.
This will be a good preview on the plans already developed for “Hurricane Jay” which will be the focus of our annual S.E.T. in October. More will be coming on that soon so that all can prepare for it in advance. We are happy that these both are only drills, but must realize that events this summer may not be so happy. Be Prepared!
73,
Gene, W4AYK, SM Georgia

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ARRL Georgia Section
Section Manager: Eugene C Clark, W4AYK
w4ayk@...

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# 1090. North Fulton ARES Net, 6/27/2010, 8:30 pm

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2010-06-26 00:25:20 UTC
From: nfares@yahoogroups.com
Topic: 1090  Message: 1090

Reminder from: nfares Yahoo! Group
http://groups.yahoo.com/group/nfares/cal

North Fulton ARES Net
Sunday June 27, 2010
8:30 pm - 9:30 pm
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# 1091. Ham radio volunteers wanted for Peachtree Road Race - July 4, 2010

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2010-06-28 01:13:12 UTC
From: David Ziskind, KE4QLH
Topic: 1075  Message: 1091

Hi all,

I'm still looking a for a few more volunteers for this year's
Peachtree Road Race.  Specifically, I'm still looking for:

- A shadow position (report time 6am at Piedmont Park, and you will be
wrapped up by about 8am).

- 4 water stops (along Peachtree Rd., perfect place to watch the race.
Report time 6am, and depending on the water stop, you'll wrap up
anywhere from 9:30 to 11:30am).

- Start area (medical tent, and the start tent where you'll assist
volunteers with their commercial 2-ways). Report time is 5:30am, and
you'll be wrapped up by 9:30am

Can you join us on Sunday, July 4, 2010 for an Atlanta tradition and
fun but important amateur radio public service opportunity?

Please sign up online using this link:
<http://www.doitsports.com/volunteer2/user-volunteer-signup.tcl?job_id=17368613&event_id=191810&job_desp=Communications+-+Ham+Operator&volunteer_date=2010-07-04&start_time=06%3a00+AM&end_time=12%3a00+PM>

Also please let me know if you have any preferences in terms of
assignment, time constraints, etc.

I look forward to seeing you on July 4!

73,
David Ziskind KE4QLH
ke4qlh@...
404-966-6864

# 1092. ARES Net Report 6/27/10

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2010-06-28 16:51:45 UTC
From: David Hazell KD9RU
Topic: 1092  Message: 1092

The following stations checked into the ARES net on 6/27/2010.
W4UOC Tom EC North Fulton
AA4FA Dan Dunwoody BP
AD4MC Mike Sandy Springs BP
KG5WU Wayne Sandy Springs
N4SEC Jim Alpharetta BP
N4BTA Bret Alpharetta
K4YJI Bill East Cobb
KD9RU Dave Milton Net Control
The net concluded at 8:39 PM local time. The next net will be Sunday July 4th. at 8:30 PM.
[BP= auxillary power]

# 1093. Sandy Springs EOC/911 Center Directions for future use.

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2010-06-29 16:18:30 UTC
From: w4uoc@aol.com
Topic: 1093  Message: 1093

Directions: The address is 859 Mt. Vernon Highway NE, Suite 400, 30328.
The building is immediately west of GA-400 (the address on the building is a
bit small, but it is a 4-story structure with windows running the length
of it. The entrance is a right-in / right-out, so it needs to be accessed
by traveling eastbound on Mt. Vernon Highway. As visitors enter the
driveway, they should proceed under the building, which is stilted, to the parking
deck on the far side of the building. They can park in any open parking
space. The entrance to the building is a set of glass doors that faces the
parking deck. Ring the bell to the right of the door labeled "ChatComm"
and take the elevator up to the 4th floor of the building.
Here’s a link to a GMap of the center:
http://maps.google.com/maps?f=q&source=s_q&hl=en&geocode=&q=859+mt+vernon+hw
y+ne,+30328&sll=33.766804,-84.359491&sspn=0.010471,0.01929&ie=UTF8&z=16&iwlo
c=A
And a street view of the building:
http://maps.google.com/maps?f=q&source=s_q&hl=en&geocode=&q=859+mt+vernon+hw
y+ne,+30328&sll=33.766804,-84.359491&
sspn=0.010471,0.01929&ie=UTF8&ll=33.929438,-84.3591&spn=0.010451,0.01929&z=16&iwloc=A&laye
r=c&cbll=33.929464,-84.
358992&panoid=25xxW6VFH2CQIrFKLjvoWA&cbp=12,177.39,,0,0.35

# 1094. ARRL ARES newsletter

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2010-06-30 13:32:45 UTC
From: Jim Stafford
Topic: 1094  Message: 1094

Most/many of you may be on the mailing list for these
newsletters from ARRL, but in case you are not here
are links to the most recent letter:

http://www.arrl.org/ares-el?issue=2010-05-19

You can sign up to receive these at the arrl.org website
in your user profile area.

Another nice one is the Contest Update. Some may
wonder how contesting applies to ARES. I always
figure that when I try to make a few contacts in
a contest, it is a "check out" of my station to make
sure it functions as I thought - antennas, batteries,
radios, etc.

http://www.arrl.org/contest-update-issues?issue=current

It's hurricane season and sometimes we use more
than VHF for emergencies!

jim/w4qo

# 1095. North Fulton ARES Net, 7/4/2010, 8:30 pm

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2010-07-03 00:25:36 UTC
From: nfares@yahoogroups.com
Topic: 1095  Message: 1095

Reminder from: nfares Yahoo! Group
http://groups.yahoo.com/group/nfares/cal

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# 1096. NFARES 2-meter net, Sunday, July 4, 2010

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2010-07-05 21:03:50 UTC
From: MikeC
Topic: 1096  Message: 1096

We had 7 check-ins on the NFARES 2-meter net, Sunday, July 4, 2010
W4UOC, Tom, Sandy Springs, EC North Fulton, Echolink via N4SBD-R
AA4FA, Dan, Sandy Springs, BP
KD9RU, Dave, Milton
N4SEC, Jim, Alpharetta, BP
N4BTA, Bret, Alpharetta FS, BP
KG5WU, Wayne, Sandy Springs, BP
AD4MC, Mike, Net Control, Sandy Springs, BP

BP = Battery Power

Announcements & Comments:
Tom, W4UOC;
Our next NFARES meeting on July 13th will be a "work session" covering the Roswell 100 Mile Bike Ride to be held on July 25th.

Terry from NAMB will be speaking with us (at this or a future meeting) to cover how we would work together during an emergency call out.

We will be looking for volunteers for fire station assignments for our next SET and to support those fires stations during a CHAT-COMM.

Shelia ☐ KD4NKE, Wayne ☐ KG5WU and Bret ☐ N4BTA will cover how they process our daily and monthly ARES reports.

Wayne, KG5WU
Recognized the NFARES and NFARL members who provided radio communications during the July 4th Peachtree Road Race; Mike ☐ AD4MC, Bill ☐ K4YJJ, Clyde ☐ KJ4MIJ, Craig ☐ NZ4CW, Alan ☐ N4QXH and Karen ☐ N4MPB.

Mike, AD4MC
Added that Wayne ☐ KG5WU did a superb job as NCS for the Peachtree Road Race.

Bret, N4BTA
Announced that he shares the same day for his birthday as does our nation. Happy July 4th Birthday Bret !

Bret also announced that he has successfully used RMS Express with WINMOR for Winlink. You can get more details at
http://www.arrl.org/news/rms-express-with-winmor-now-available-for-winlink-2000

The next scheduled net will be Sunday, 11th. This net closed at 8:43 PM.

73,
Mike - AD4MC
770-262-5212

# 1097. North Fulton County ARES Meeting, 7/13/2010, 7:00 pm

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2010-07-06 23:00:22 UTC
From: nfares@yahoogroups.com
Topic: 1097  Message: 1097

Reminder from: nfares Yahoo! Group
http://groups.yahoo.com/group/nfares/cal

North Fulton County ARES Meeting
Tuesday July 13, 2010
7:00 pm - 8:30 pm
(This event repeats every month on the second Tuesday.)
(The next reminder for this event will be sent in 6 days.)
Location: Sandy Springs City Council Chambers
Street: Morgan Falls Office Park, 7840 Roswell Road Building 500
City State Zip: Sandy Springs, GA 30350

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# 1098. Fwd: Roswell to Burnt Mtn Cycle Race.

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2010-07-08 02:09:27 UTC
From: w4uoc@aol.com
Topic: 1098  Message: 1098

This is the latest information I have for the upcoming 100 mile Cycle Race.

I do expect to hear more from the organizers later this week.

Tom Koch - W4UOC
EC - North Fulton ARES

* Sunday, July 25th, 2010
* Ride begins and ends:

Milton High School
13025 Birmingham Hwy
Milton, GA 30004

* 6, 32, 62, and 100 mile ride options
* Scenic back country routes for all rides... including the vigorous Burnt Mountain Century
* 4 great rest stops, rides fully SAG supported
* The Atlanta Falcons' General Manager, Thomas Dimitroff, will be sharing his motivation to participate in Pedal with a Purpose prior to the Century departure at 7:00 AM. Come ride with him!

The first 200 to arrive to pick up their SWAG bags at registration will receive PWAP nylon drawstring bags, courtesy of 4Imprint.
"King & Queen of the Mountain" contest for the first male and first female to reach the top of Burnt Mountain. Prizes from Roswell Bicycles and The Atlanta Falcons.
Ride concludes with a FREE boxed burrito lunch catered and donated by Moe's on the lawn of Milton High School…bring your blankets & chairs!
Olde Blind Dog Irish Pub will be offering $1 off pints and food specials to all registered participants after the ride:
Olde Blind Dog
12650 Crabapple Rd.
Milton, GA 30004
678.624.1090
_www.oldeblinddog.com_ (http://www.oldeblinddog.com/)
Be the Match (_www.marrow.org_ (http://www.marrow.org/) ) will be on-site after the ride holding a drive to add people to their bone marrow donor registry.
Georgia Rollers Riding Motorcycle Club will be patrolling the course in addition to our SAG wagons. Each of these motorcyclists is on the course to help you and to assist in ensuring your safety. Each will be wearing a leather jacket with this logo on the back. If you need assistance along the ride, know you can flag them down!

PEDAL WITH A PURPOSE was not intended to be your first century ride! This ride goes up and over Burnt Mountain in the South at the end of July!

Participants are asked to use their best judgment in deciding whether or not to attempt this extremely challenging 100 mile distance! PWAP volunteers reserve the right to pull a rider from the course if they appear too fatigued to continue! All riders who have not finished by 2:30 PM will be pulled from the course.

# 1099. North Fulton ARES Net, 7/11/2010, 8:30 pm

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2010-07-10 00:27:33 UTC
From: nfares@yahoogroups.com
Topic: 1099  Message: 1099

Reminder from: nfares Yahoo! Group
http://groups.yahoo.com/group/nfares/cal

North Fulton ARES Net
Sunday July 11, 2010
8:30 pm - 9:30 pm
(This event repeats every week.)
Location: 147.060 MHz (plus 600kHz) PL 100.0. Backup is 145.470 MHz (minus 600 kHz) PL 100.0

Notes:
Please remember that both repeaters now require a PL tone of 100.0 Hz

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# 1100. NFARES Sunday Night net, July 11, 2010

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2010-07-12 00:58:46 UTC
From: Wayne Chapman
Topic: 1100  Message: 1100

We had 11 check-ins on the NFARES 2-meter net, Sunday, July 11, 2010

kg5wu,wayne,ncs
w4uoc,tom,ec nf,comments
n4sbd,scott,alph,ep
k4yji,bill,e.cobb,ep
ad4mc,mike,sandy springs,ep
kd9ru,dave,milton
aa4fa,dan,dunwoody,ep
w4qo,jim,w.roswell,ep,comments
kd4nke,shelia,sandy springs
n4bta,bret,alph,ep
kj4mij,clyde,n.dekalb,ep

ep=emergency power

w4uoc,tom-normal meeting room, 7p Tue nite, Sandy Spring City Hall Complex
agenda: GA ARES DB, bike race?, terry jones NAMB?, begin planning for 2010 SET - Mike heading it up. SS-JC, Alph-Milton (jim-ncs), "adopt-a-fire-station"

w4qo,jim-neal n4fn - equip for sale, cross-band repeat

# 1101. North Fulton County ARES Meeting, 7/13/2010, 7:00 pm

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2010-07-12 22:58:59 UTC
From: nfares@yahoogroups.com
Topic: 1097  Message: 1101

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# 1102. NFARES Agenda July 13, 2010

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2010-07-13 15:52:08 UTC
From: w4uoc@aol.com
Topic: 1102  Message: 1102

North Fulton ARES meets at the Sandy Springs City Office Complex, Bldg 500
at 7:00 p.m.

Agenda July 13, 2010

Welcome and introductions of members and visitors

Roswell – Burnt Mtn 100 Mile Cycle Race July 25th

North American Mission Board – Training

Georgia ARES Reporting Procedures/Processes

North Fulton Served Agencies

2010 Simulated Emergency Test – SET Sept 2010

# 1103. The ARES E-Letter for July 14, 2010

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2010-07-14 12:12:58 UTC
From: w4uoc@aol.com
Topic: 1103  Message: 1103

If you are having trouble reading this message, you can see the original at:
_http://www.arrl.org/FandES/field/ares-el/?issue=2010-07-14_
(http://www.arrl.org/FandES/field/ares-el/?issue=2010-07-14)

July 14, 2010
Editor: _Rick Palm, K1CE_ (mailto:k1ce@...)

_ARES E-Letter Archive_ (http://www.arrl.org/FandES/field/ares-el/)
_ARES Home_ (http://www.arrl.org/FandES/field/pscm/sec1-ch1.html)
_ARRL Home Page_ (http://www.arrl.org/)

(http://www.arrl.org/nladclick.php?n=ae&i=2010-07-14&t=t)
The View from Flagler County
Great news this month for our Flagler County ARES® program: East Coast District Emergency Coordinator Mike Lee, WB6RTH, announced that Robbie Creal, KG4HUF, has been appointed as the new Emergency Coordinator, filling a vacancy of almost a year after the sudden departure of the former office holder.
Creal is the perfect choice, coming to the position with a lifelong career in emergency services, having recently retired as the Chief of the Flagler Beach Fire Department. He is well known and respected by the local amateur community and county government officials. Creal has most recently served as the primary coordinator for Flagler SKYWARN.
Reconstruction and revitalization of the Flagler ARES® program will be Creal's first priority. Lee said "Given his stature and the respect that he has earned among the amateur community and Flagler County officials, I am confident that he will quickly have his team at full capacity for the current hurricane season. As District Emergency Coordinator for Flagler and Volusia counties, I encourage operators to give Robbie their full support."
National Multiple Sclerosis (MS) _MS-150_
(http://www.nationalmssociety.org/raceMap.aspx) Bike Ride Support
Reports on regional ARES® communications efforts in support of MS-150 bicycle rides have appeared in recent issues, and for good reason: The events are superb platforms for ARES® training and experience -- money in the bank for major disaster responses.
The MS-150 event in St. Johns, Flagler, Clay and Volusia counties here in the ARRL Northern Florida section this year will be held October 2-3, and will be using ARES® resources from the Crown and East Coast Districts. Doug Carter, N4FPS, and Phil McElrath, K5BBC, attended the coordinating committee meeting as part of our offer to bring significant ARES® resources to bear on this year's event.
Changes will be implemented this year: Ride sponsors and hosts can expect a very robust, structured, NIMS-style coordination and chain-of-command before, during and after the event. Pre-event training will include a complete dry run, as well as table-top exercises. The bike route is known and ARES®

leaders will be evaluating repeater coverage (both by mobile and hand-held units) in the next few weeks. Both analog and D-STAR technologies will be employed. Temporary repeaters will be installed and tested for weeks in advance of the event.
The event will be a model for how we serve special events and disasters in the future - planning, coordination and chain-of-command in a professional-level response. The goal is to commit in excess of 40-50 operators for each of the two days of the event, recruited from the entire area. It will require a massive coordination effort, and sign-ups will be taken in the next few weeks.

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Pennsylvania Ops Switch from Drill to Emergency Mode
Just two days before the start of Field Day, Amateur Radio operators in south central Pennsylvania were manning their positions for a regularly scheduled bi-annual exercise involving the Peach Bottom Atomic Power Station located on the Susquehanna River. The drill is required as part of the licensing process for the power plant.
"Nuclear power plants have got to do well in emergency planning as part of their licensing requirements", said Daniel Sullivan, KO1D, Eastern Pennsylvania ARES® District 5 Emergency Coordinator. "For hams to shine in that setting is more important than Field Day to show community or agency leaders within the public safety community what we can do when we apply ourselves."

Many of the Amateur Radio operators participating in the drill had been involved with previous drills and most thought they knew what to expect. However, Mother Nature injected severe weather along with National Weather Service issued tornado and severe thunderstorm warnings. Within 15 minutes of the warnings being issued, Lancaster County ARES® EC Ron Small, WB2OOB, and Lancaster County RACES Officer Chris Bunting, K1CWB, were reporting that communications went down just before the drill began and remained out during the drill in some municipalities due to storm damage to the

telecommunications infrastructure.
Amateur Radio operators who were pre-positioned to support the drill integrated SKYWARN operations into the drill's RACES net. In Drumore Township, Lancaster County, Small became the only reliable communications at the municipal EOC when commercial communications networks went down. He reported that fax and telephone were intermittent and other communications systems were not operational due to the storms.
Bunting said he heard the weather alert on the local repeater. "When I heard a tornado warning being broadcast for Southern Lancaster County, I decided that we must start a "hybrid net" and start SKYWARN operations while preparing for the Peach Bottom drill." When the first operator arrived at Lancaster County EOC, he set up net control, and began the SKYWARN net. Bunting announced that this would be a hybrid net, looking for weather reports from operators in the field. He immediately received a report of "golf ball sized" hail in the southern end of the county. This information was passed on to Randy Gockley, the Lancaster County Emergency Management Coordinator, who in turn contacted the National Weather Service. Meteorologists at the weather service indicated that there was a strong possibility of a tornado in the southern end of the county.
Acting quickly, Gockley decided to activate the emergency warning sirens in the southern part of Lancaster, to warn civilians of the impending danger. Net control immediately notified all stations that this would be occurring, and the RACES personnel at each municipal EOC notified the staff. For some EOCs, this was the only method of communication to let them know why the sirens were sounding, as there were power outages and telephony outages throughout the area. RACES operators continued to pass on vital storm information to net control until the storms had passed.
The NWS confirmed that an EF-0 tornado occurred near Hershey, home of Hershey chocolates and a large amusement park. Winds reached 80 miles per hour. Damage ranged from downed trees to roofs ripped off of several homes. The severe storm uprooted trees and knocked down power lines as it continued towards Philadelphia.
Drill Finally Starts
The Peach Bottom drill quickly started after the threat of severe weather passed; however, telecommunications and power outages were still affecting multiple EOCs. Part of Lancaster County's RACES pre-planning involved making sure all operators have battery power/generator, radios, power supplies and antennas with them, and to be prepared to operate independently of any infrastructure in place. In this case, the pre-planning paid off, as all stations were operating regardless of the power outages at the municipal EOCs. Many locations were having problems sending or receiving faxes, phone calls, and power. RACES maintained the constant contact needed to play out the drill. Near the end of the drill, Randy Gockley, EMC Lancaster, stated that "RACES was a godsend tonight."
York County operators did not report any weather impact on their ARES®/RACES and SKYWARN operations. They did suffer severe weather and at least one fire was reported during the storms, which did impact the drill. At one EOC almost everyone left to fight fires. The EOC was then staffed by four hams. Drill observers provided good feedback on the hams' ability to adapt to the situation. Alan Frame, WB3FTD, said power went out at two local EOCs

where hams were stationed.
Drill Was "Quiet"
In Fawn Township, York County, EOC staff members commented that the drill seemed quiet and slow. It was brought to their attention that most of the communication was done by the radio amateurs (who were in another room) and via fax. The telephones were not ringing off the hook. Most of the Amateur Radio communications was sent/receive via _FLDIGI_ (http://www.w1hkj.com/Fldigi.html) using BPSK250. Jack Dellinger, N3BQB, explained "We would receive the message and cut/paste it into Notepad to print. We have also developed a program that allows text entry in the format used by York County ISC-213 format. We had 100% perfect copy on all messages. The County EOC and two local EOCs were active on digital modes."
Kudos
Pennsylvania Emergency Management Agency (PEMA) officials thanked the radio amateurs for a job well done. "The professionalism and actions of all the volunteers involved," said Chris Snyder, Acting Commonwealth Auxiliary Communications Systems Coordinator, "clearly demonstrate the value they bring as a communications resource to the emergency management community."
Henry C. Tamanini, Chief, Technological Hazards Division, of PEMA's Bureau of Strategic and Operational Plans said "Your dedication to providing valuable emergency communications was certainly proven when Mother Nature transitioned the majority of the exercise area/Emergency Planning Zone from the exercise mode of the nuclear power plant to the real-world mode."
Mike Brulo, KB3RRV, a Harrisburg area SKYWARN member and net control operator, _shot video_ (http://www.accuweather.com/blogs/weathermatrix/story/33092/possible-tornado-during-severe-thunderstorm-in-pennsylvania.asp) from his car and e-mailed the following: "I was in Campbelltown, the hardest hit area. Brett Thackara and I are thinking this was a tornado. Be sure to watch my video and read this story." - Thanks, Bob Josuweit, WA3PZO, Philadelphia, PA
(http://www.arrl.org/nladclick.php?n=ae&t=i&i=2010-07-14&p=0)
ARES® Digest
WX4NHC at the National Hurricane Center, the VoIP Hurricane Net and the Hurricane Watch Net activated at 8 AM on Wednesday, June 30, in response to storm Alex. Info _here_ (http://www.arrl.org/news/wx4nhc-voip-weather-net-and-hurricane-watch-net-activated-for-hurricane-alex) .
Florida (Hernando County) Emcomm Classes Scheduled
The Hernando County (Florida) ARES® organization will be holding its first set of training classes at The Senior Enrichment Center of Oak Hill Hospital, 18900 Cortez Blvd (Route 50) in Brooksville, July 26, starting at 7 PM. The curriculum will consist of NTS traffic handling, making a short term Go-Kit and what is needed for longer term deployments, and new requirements for working at a shelter in Hernando County.
The class is open to all amateur operators and anyone, in or out of the area, interested in emergency communications. If needed, another session of the class will be held at a later date. Refreshments will be provided by Hernando County ARES®. Pre-register by contacting _Alan McGrew, KC4MTS_

(mailto:kc4mts@...) , EC Hernando County ARES®, by e-mail or by telephone (352) 683-7264. Registration cut off is July 24.

Two New PA Events Encourage Hams To Hone Skills for Emcomm Ops

A new Pennsylvania FM Sprint and a new Pennsylvania county hunter award have been announced by the Holmesburg Amateur Radio Club (HARC) of Philadelphia, events that will promote on-the-air activity among new hams and emcomm operators.

The Pennsylvania FM Sprint will be held Saturday, February 26, 2011 from 7 - 11 PM. Hams will exchange a contact number and zip code on 6 meters, 2 meters, 222 MHz, and 440 MHz using FM simplex frequencies, workhorse frequencies and mode for emcomm ops.

This is believed to be the first statewide FM Sprint in the country. In the past few years there has been a growth of FM simplex contest activity in Pennsylvania. According to Rich Shivers, AB3EO, Sprint coordinator, the Sprint will give the operator the opportunity to see how far his/her signal will travel without the use of a repeater. It can be a learning experience and a fun, fast contest with equipment that most hams have.

In addition HARC is now sponsoring the Pennsylvania "67" Challenge. This county hunter certificate is open to all amateurs. Hams can use any band or mode to make a real time contact with Pennsylvania's 67 counties. Hams may work towards the Challenge by working 20, 40, 60, or 67 counties and receive a certificate at each of the four levels.

Besides HF contacts, Bob Josuweit, WA3PZO, explains that repeaters, D-STAR, Echolink, and IRLP modes are valid contacts as long as a radio is used by both operators. HARC is encouraging all hams to get on the air. Complete rules and information on both events can be found at the _Club's Web site_ (http://www.harcnet.org/) .

(http://www.arrl.org/nladclick.php?n=ae&t=i&i=2010-07-14&p=1)

Haiti Earthquake Disaster: Anything Goes in an Emergency?

The rules for the Amateur Radio Service don't say "in an emergency, anything goes." They say that in an emergency and no other services are available that Amateur Radio may be used to resolve an immediate threat to life or property. That's a big difference from opening up radios to out of service operations, etc, allowing other services to use the amateur bands. The starting point is that it is not legal under Part 97.113 to retransmit signals from other radio services on the amateur bands. So while other services may want to "plug" the amateurs into their "black boxes" for interoperability, it isn't legal to do the reverse on the amateur bands.

It is also significant to note that the US rules are very precise about when Amateur Radio can be used. Simply put, you use it to alleviate a specific life/death situation. It is not intended to be used for extended periods of time when other radio services are functioning and available again. It isn't an "overflow" service to "ease" traffic on other frequencies.

As far as what they did in Haiti -- I don't know how they reprogrammed radios for use in other services, but I do know that there were problems with some of the type of traffic passed. There were times when "routine" emergency traffic was being sent via Amateur Radio. An example was a message where a well-meaning ham got another radio service station to operate on the amateur bands without authorization because in the ham's mindset "it's an emergency." The content of the message was "supplies were running low" in a

particular town. Under the circumstances, supplies were running low everywhere: the entire country was having problems.
An analogy used in this discussion has been "the boat has to be sinking, water coming over the transom, no other radios are working and you better be able to explain how you survived." A bit Draconian perhaps, but it illustrates the point that a lot of what is transmitted as "emergency" traffic may not really be such -- and the amateur has to make a reasoned decision on the message. There is a difference between "emergency" (we need an Air-Evac helicopter for a patient who is in severe trauma) and "emergency" H&W traffic (we have 20,000 people in our town who need food and water.) It is a hard lesson, but a valid one to ponder.
The bottom line is, in a true emergency the FCC regulations would permit out of band operation: Section 97.405 says "(a) No provision of these rules prevents the use by an amateur station in distress of any means at its disposal to attract attention, make known its condition and location, and obtain assistance. (b) No provision of these rules prevents the use by a station, in the exceptional circumstances described in paragraph (a) of this section, of any means of radio communications at its disposal to assist a station in distress."
The Haitian government may have relaxed their rules for their specific circumstances. The FCC would probably do so, too, in a similar situation here, and 97.405 would allow "any means" (including the use of our radios tweaked for other services) for mitigation of the immediate/imminent threat. -- Dan Henderson, N1ND, Regulatory Information Manager, ARRL
Web Site of the Month: _StormPulse_ (http://www.stormpulse.com/)
With the onset of the first storm of the year, I would like to recommend an excellent Web site for tracking purposes: _StormPulse_ (http://www.stormpulse.com/) . This is the best site of its kind I've seen. Please pass this
along to anyone you think would be interested. -- John Reynolds, W4IJJ, Regional/State Communications Officer, American Red Cross, Florida
(http://www.arrl.org/nladclick.php?n=ae&t=i&i=2010-07-14&p=2)
Amateur Radio Featured on NHC's New Hurricane Preparedness Web Site
In April, the National Hurricane Center (_NHC_ (http://www.nhc.noaa.gov/) ) debuted a _new Web site_ (http://www.weather.gov/os/hurricane/index.shtml) dedicated to hurricane preparedness. The site explains that a lack of hurricane awareness and preparation are common threads among all major hurricane disasters, and that by knowing your vulnerability and what actions you should take, you can reduce the effects of a hurricane disaster. One of the tools that the NHC mentions on its Web site is _WX4NHC_ (http://www.wx4nhc.org/) , the Amateur Radio station located at NHC Headquarters in Miami, Florida. In speaking about the WX4NHC volunteer ham radio operators, the NHC notes that "formal Amateur Radio activity at the National Hurricane Center was initiated in 1980 and has been an important source of real-time weather observations before, during and after hurricane landfalls. Dedicated ham radio volunteers work at NHC during storm events to help provide NHC meteorologists with very important data that is used in the hurricane warning process. Please visit _www.wx4nhc.org_ (http://webmail.cfl.rr.com/do/redirect?url=http%3A%2F%2Fwww.wx4nhc.org%2F) for a more detailed history of the WX4NHC

ham radio service." WX4NHC Assistant Coordinator Julio Ripoll, WD4R, said he hopes that this updated NHC Web page "will help promote public awareness about Amateur Radio and more activity from the Amateur Radio community during this hurricane season." - ARRL Letter

Summer Reading List Suggestion

From the weekly DHS Newsletter web publication: _http://www.emergencymgmt.com/safety/Amateur-Radio-Operators-Communications.html_ (http://www.emergencymgmt.com/safety/Amateur-Radio-Operators-Communications.html) -- Thanks, James Burrough, _N5DTT_ (mailto:jandpburrough@...) , Bellaire, Texas

Letters

Thanks for the tips (last issue) on being ready. It can't be emphasized enough. For years I was a Search and Rescue (SAR) Coordinator and I had to deal with some teams who arrived on site to begin their task but who were not prepared to self-sustain if needed. (At least one day's meals, cold prep instead of needing heat, and clothing to match the weather conditions are a minimum). In more than one case I had to refuse to let them participate. Over the years, the New Mexico SAR groups have learned to claim only one field of expertise and then they are assured of being called when that expertise is needed. Each year we have a meeting at Philmont Scout Ranch in the northern part of the state where all of the teams gather and we help them get ready to be called when needed. These same people are the ones who get called in almost any emergency so this is a double benefit. - Bob Skaggs, KB5RX, New Mexico SAR

Code of Conduct

I think the ARES® Code of Conduct presented in the last issue is an excellent idea, especially in emergencies where stress can overrun our natural benevolent natures. I would like to include a modified version of the Code in my local District EMCOMM plan. -- Rik Chapman, K5RIK, District Emergency Coordinator, District 8, South Texas; District 62, RACES Radio Officer Unit 62

On Personal Preparedness

In your "Final" in the last issue, you stated: "But, I, as well as every radio amateur and citizen in the state also have an obligation for personal preparedness, and planning. Here is what I've done so far for personal readiness: stocked my closet with one case each of canned fruit, mixed vegetables, and baked beans; pasta, instant rice, and about 30 gallons of fresh drinking water." If your drinking water is in those one gallon jugs from the local supermarket, make a note to remove them from your storage area at the end of the hurricane season. Otherwise, they will burst open and ruin a lot of your personal property. They are made of very thin plastic and this happened to my next door neighbor!

Also, you stated, "I've laid in a good supply of extra batteries, flashlights, candles, cat food, cat litter, gasoline in extra tanks." Please don't tell me you are storing gasoline in your home. That is dangerous. And also, if the gasoline is stored on your property (not indoors) there is a legal limit on the amount you can store. -- Carl Zelich, AA4MI, Chuluota, Florida

"Unit Readiness" in South Texas
Since taking over as the Emergency Coordinator for the South Texas Section District 14 ARES® Southwest Unit in April, Dr. Chris Hasse, W5OIL, has hit the ground running. Establishing increased unit readiness as a primary goal for the Southwest Unit has necessitated some operational and administrative reorganization, according to Hasse. He has restructured the Unit's leadership by appointing new Assistant Emergency Coordinators (AEC) and reassigning others. He has updated the Southwest Unit's Emergency Plan and Operations Manual, and has modified the training net procedures for increased efficiency.
With only three or four days notice, Hasse announced an 8 AM Saturday morning meeting at a local Park and Ride location. All of the Unit's AECs were strongly encouraged to attend, and all members of the Southwest Unit were invited. The Unit AECs were requested to discuss their preparedness for deployment, and describe their portable and mobile equipment.
The event, held on a black top parking lot on a hot and humid South Texas morning, was much more than just showing up with a hurricane preparedness "go-kit." Most of the participants did have their go-kits with their subsistence and personal items, and these were displayed and discussed. But there was more: the Southwest Unit leadership, and other members, actually set up their portable stations and demonstrated how
Assistant ECs with mobile rigs lined up at start of program. Each AEC explained their rigging and how they set-up for portable operations. (photo Kerry Mallory, AE5JY, District 14 ARES Southwest Unit Logistics AEC)

they would operate when deployed. Also, the team reviewed their mobile communications equipment and capabilities including VHF and UHF voice communications and a digital e-mail system called "Airmail," which uses radios to send e-mail in place of a traditional landline and Internet connection.
There were several new ARES® members and some new hams that were able get an up close and personal look at a wide range of different portable and mobile communications set-ups.
Hasse has repeatedly emphasized the need for esprit de corps within the Unit and the need for members to become acquainted and familiar with each other, and each other's operational capabilities. This meeting brought the group closer as a functional team, and emphasized ongoing collaboration and teamwork. All present commented favorably on the meeting format. -- _Del Partridge, W5QQ_ (mailto:Inapeartree.del@gmail.com) , South Texas District 14 ARES® South West Unit PIO
K1CE for a Final
On the subject of proper use of Amateur Radio as discussed above, and during the recent protracted discussion on drills versus business communications, I was reminded of something a veteran FCC staffer (who shall remain nameless, but with whom I worked closely with over many years in the 80's and '90s), repeatedly told me when these types of questions came up: "To the FCC, it looks like public safety agencies do not have enough frequencies since they turn to Amateur Radio for their communications needs, and it seems that Amateur Radio has an abundance of frequencies amateurs are happy to turn over to public safety service use, so perhaps we should just give Amateur Radio's frequencies to the public agencies." Food for thought.

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And finally, I can't tell you how happy I am that we have a new Emergency Coordinator here, after all we have been through. Congratulations to Robbie Creal, KG4HUF, and also to DEC Mike Lee, WB6RTH, our district's fantastic "Change Agent." Thanks, Mike, and Robbie!
See you next month! 73, Rick K1CE
(http://www.arrl.org/nladclick.php?n=ae&i=2010-07-14&t=r&p=0)
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(http://www.arrl.org/nladclick.php?n=ae&i=2010-07-14&t=r&p=2)
(http://www.arrl.org/nladclick.php?n=ae&i=2010-07-14&t=r&p=3)
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# 1104. North Fulton ARES - Application

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2010-07-14 12:32:52 UTC
From: w4uoc@aol.com
Topic: 1104  Message: 1104
Attachments: 1 described; binary payloads are missing from this source WARC

Attached is an application for for those interested in joining and supporting the North Fulton Amateur Radio Emergency Service (NFARES). Download the file, fill it out and return it to the person and address shown at the end of the document. Or complete the application, sign it, then scan the document and send it via email to the email address indicated at the end of the form.

73

Tom Koch - W4UOC
EC - NFARES

# 1105. FCC has amended the rules concerning Amateur Radio operations in emergency drill

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2010-07-16 12:48:14 UTC
From: w4uoc@aol.com
Topic: 1105  Message: 1105

The FCC has amended the rules concerning Amateur Radio operations in emergency drills as follows:

“A station licensee or control station operator may participate on behalf of an employer in an emergency preparedness or disaster readiness test or drill, limited to the duration and scope of such test or drill, and operational testing immediately prior to such test or drill. Tests or drills that are not government-sponsored are limited to a total time of one hour per week, except that no more than twice in any calendar year, they may be conducted for a period not to exceed 72 hours.”

See
http://www.fcc.gov/Daily_Releases/Daily_Business/2010/db0714/FCC-10-124A1.pdf
We hope that the restrictions here will prevent commercial use of Amateur Radio or our equipment by employers. Keep tuned as ARRL studies implications of this new ruling.
Gene W4AYK

# 1106. North Fulton ARES Net, 7/18/2010, 8:30 pm

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2010-07-17 00:25:32 UTC
From: nfares@yahoogroups.com
Topic: 1106  Message: 1106

Reminder from: nfares Yahoo! Group
http://groups.yahoo.com/group/nfares/cal

North Fulton ARES Net
Sunday July 18, 2010
8:30 pm - 9:30 pm
(This event repeats every week.)
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# 1107. Roswell Cycle Race July 25, 2010

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2010-07-17 00:58:42 UTC
From: w4uoc@aol.com
Topic: 1107  Message: 1107

I had a call from the organizer of the July 25th Roswell to Burnt Mtn cycle race and they have decided that they do not need communications support from amateur radio and will rely solely on cell phones.

Thank you for your offers to help with this effort.

Tom Koch - W4UOC
EC North Fulton ARES

# 1108. 911 in Sandy Springs/Johns Creek - NEWS

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2010-07-19 15:25:52 UTC
From: Jim Stafford
Topic: 1108  Message: 1108

http://www.ajc.com/news/north-fulton/north-fulton-911-center-573509.html

# 1109. Speeding - FYI

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2010-07-23 00:19:03 UTC
From: w4uoc@aol.com
Topic: 1109  Message: 1109

Dateline: AJC 07/19/2010
Starting Aug 1, Georgia will launch a 30 day speeding ticket frenzy. The state estimates that 9 million dollars will be generated in speeding tickets. 1 million will go to pay state troopers' overtime. The rest to help with dwindling budgets. There will be 50 state troopers on duty at all times patrolling the 7 main intersections and highways. They are the following:
I-20 east and west
I-75 north and south
I-85 north and south
I-675 north and south
GA-985 north and south
GA-316 east and west
GA-400 north and south
5 mph above the limit can justify a ticket and every state trooper is supposed to pull a car over and write a ticket every 10 to 20 minutes. They have issued 30 brand new unmarked Dodge Charger Police cruisers and are bringing in all of their part timers on full time. If you work in the Atlanta area, you will probably take one of these highways. It's up to you how fast you are going when they clock you.
WSB and WXIA & CBS confirmed all of this. So be safe and don't forget speeding tickets are on you.
Look for city and county governments to adopt similar polices in the near future.

# 1110. North Fulton ARES Net, 7/25/2010, 8:30 pm

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2010-07-24 00:25:26 UTC
From: nfares@yahoogroups.com
Topic: 1110  Message: 1110

Reminder from: nfares Yahoo! Group
http://groups.yahoo.com/group/nfares/cal

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Sunday July 25, 2010
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# 1111. ARES Net Rerport

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2010-07-27 16:37:13 UTC
From: David Hazell KD9RU
Topic: 1111  Message: 1111

The following stations checked into the ARES net on July 25, 2010. (BP=
Battery Power)
W4UOC -TOM - North Fulton EC
AA4FA - DAN - DUNWOODY [BP]
KG5WA - WAYNE - SANDY SPRINGS
N4BTA - BRET - ALPHARETTA [BP]
AJ4NT - MATT - SANDY SPRINGS
N4MPB - KAREN - JOHNS CREEK [BP]
N4SEC - JIM - LAKE LANIER [ECHO LINK]
N4SBD - SCOTT - GAINSVILLE, FL. [ECHO LINK]
KI4DSO - GEORGE - NORCROSS [BP]
KJ4RTD - STUART - SANDY SPRINGS
KJ4PQX - KEN - WOODSTOCK [CHEROKEE COUNTY ARES]
KD9RU - DAVE - MILTON [NET CONTROL]

ANNOUNCEMENTS
The august 10th ARES monthly meeting will review the WINMORE software
program and its applications.
Additional discussion will focus on the Fall ARES simulated emergency
exercise (SET).
The net concluded at 08:48 PM local time with 12 stations checking into the
net.

# 1112. North Fulton ARES Net, 8/1/2010, 8:30 pm

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2010-07-31 00:25:18 UTC
From: nfares@yahoogroups.com
Topic: 1112  Message: 1112

Reminder from: nfares Yahoo! Group
http://groups.yahoo.com/group/nfares/cal

North Fulton ARES Net
Sunday August 1, 2010
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# 1113. Emergency Support for ChatComm potential deployment need!

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2010-07-31 19:46:59 UTC
From: w4uoc@aol.com
Topic: 1113  Message: 1113

Chief Scarbrough has informed me that they Sandy Springs and Johns Creek Fire/Rescue stations and vehicles are experiencing significant problems with the Fulton County radio system. For a few minutes Friday night, ChatComm could not transmit.

Sandy Springs and Milton Fire Stations may need our help in the next few days.

Just a heads up for now.

I will be leaving the Atlanta area on Tuesday August 2nd and will return the following Monday, August 9th.
I have suggested that Chief Scarborough contact Shelia Staton KD4NKE if they need a "call up" to support this communication effort.

Please advise as to your availability and willingness to potentially help at a local fire station or served agency.

Tom Koch - EC - North Fulton ARES

# 1114. Ready to serve for SS/JC situation

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2010-07-31 20:55:32 UTC
From: Jim Stafford
Topic: 1114  Message: 1114

Setting on ready with a short fuse as my good Jimmy W4VRX would say.
Call on phone@ 4042818185.

W4QO/Jim
Sent from my telegraph key

# 1115. Emergency Support for ChatComm potential deployment need!

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2010-08-01 00:54:08 UTC
From: Chuck Catledge
Topic: 1113  Message: 1115

Tom and Shelia,

I'm available from now through Wednesday afternoon except for Monday
evening.
Call on 770-641-7729.

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Chuck, AE4CW

# 1116. Re: [nfarl] Emergency Support for ChatComm potential deployment need!

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2010-08-01 17:05:47 UTC
From: Matthew Garland
Topic: 1113  Message: 1116

Tom and Shelia,

I'm available for 6-hour shifts on week nights and one 12-hour shift anytime on the weekend:

* one 6-hour shift between Sun 8/1 @ 8pm - Mon 8/2 @ 8am
* one 6-hour shift between Tue 8/3 @ 12am - Tue 8/3 @ 8am (* note later start time *)
* one 6-hour shift between Tue 8/3 @ 8pm - Wed 8/4 @ 8am
* one 6-hour shift between Wed 8/4 @ 8pm - Thu 8/5 @ 8am
* one 6-hour shift between Thu 8/5 @ 8pm - Fri 8/6 @ 8am
* one 12-hour shift between Fri 8/6 @ 8pm - Mon 8/9 @ 8am

Matt Garland, AJ4NT

On Sat, Jul 31, 2010 at 3:46 PM, <w4uoc@...> wrote:

> 
> 
> Chief Scarbrough has informed me that they Sandy Springs and Johns Creek
> Fire/Rescue stations and vehicles are experiencing significant problems with
> the Fulton County radio system. For a few minutes Friday night, ChatComm
> could not transmit.
> 
> Sandy Springs and Milton Fire Stations may need our help in the next few
> days.
> 
> *Just a heads up for now.*
> 
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> the following Monday, August 9th.
> I have suggested that Chief Scarborough contact Shelia Staton KD4NKE if
> they need a "call up" to support this communication effort.
> 
> Please advise as to your availability and willingness to potentially help
> at a local fire station or served agency.
> 
> Tom Koch - EC - North Fulton ARES
> 
> 
> 

# 1117. NFARES Sunday Night net, August 1, 2010

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2010-08-03 01:22:48 UTC
From: Wayne Chapman
Topic: 1117  Message: 1117

We had 14 check-ins on the NFARES 2-meter net, Sunday, August 1, 2010

KG5WU,Wayne,NCS
W4UOC,Tom
KD4NKE,Shelia
AA4FA,Dan
N4SEC,Jim
N4CUS,John
KJ4PQX,Ken
AE4CW,Chuck
KD9RU,Dave
AJ4NT,Matt
KJ4MIJ,Clyde
N4BTA,Bret
AD4MC,Mike
W4QO,Jim

# 1118. North Fulton ARES Net Report for 7/18/2010

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2010-08-03 22:35:40 UTC
From: Shelia Staton
Topic: 1118  Message: 1118

I apologize for this being late...I was out of town.

During the 7/18/2010 net, we had 14 check-ins:

W4UOC Tom (EC for Sandy Springs)
N4SEC Jim (Alpharetta - battery power)
K4YJI Bill (East Cobb - battery power)
KD9RU Dave (Milton)
N4SBD Scott (Alpharetta - battery power)
KI4DSO George (Norcross - battery power)
AE4CW Chuck
AJ4NT Matt (Dunwoody - mobile)
AD4MC Mike (Sandy Springs - battery power)
KG5WU Wayne (Sandy Springs)
KJ4CQJ Elliott (Dekalb ARES)
KJ4RTD Stewart (Sandy Springs)
AA4FA Dan (Dunwoody - battery power)
KD4NKE Shelia (AEC - Sandy Springs)

The net concluded at 8:44 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Shelia
KD4NKE

# 1119. North Fulton County ARES Meeting, 8/10/2010, 7:00 pm

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2010-08-03 22:59:21 UTC
From: nfares@yahoogroups.com
Topic: 1119  Message: 1119

Reminder from: nfares Yahoo! Group
http://groups.yahoo.com/group/nfares/cal

North Fulton County ARES Meeting
Tuesday August 10, 2010
7:00 pm - 8:30 pm
(This event repeats every month on the second Tuesday.)
(The next reminder for this event will be sent in 6 days.)
Location: Sandy Springs City Council Chambers
Street: Morgan Falls Office Park, 7840 Roswell Road Building 500
City State Zip: Sandy Springs, GA 30350

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# 1120. Re: [nfares] Digest Number 830

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2010-08-01 13:16:28 UTC
From: Karen Mallory
Topic: 1120  Message: 1120

I check my email frequently. That's the best way to alert me.

Karen, n4mpb

On Sun, Aug 1, 2010 at 8:16 AM, <nfares@yahoogroups.com> wrote:

> There are 3 messages in this issue.
>
> Topics in this digest:
>
> 1a. Emergency Support for ChatComm potential deployment need!
> From: w4uoc@...
>
>

# 1121. Re: [nfarl] Emergency Support for ChatComm potential deployment need!

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2010-08-05 21:06:25 UTC
From: Mike Cohen
Topic: 1113  Message: 1121

To All,

I have learned from Wayne that we can "stand down", but I am now back in
town and available to help out any way I can if we are asked to "stand up"

73,
Mike - AD4MC

Mike Cohen
770-262-5212

On Mon, Aug 2, 2010 at 9:31 PM, Scott Dunbar <scott@...> wrote:

> I am back in town tomorrow late (Aug 3rd). Please contact me if needed. I
> have xband repeat for car + can re-transmit at 50W. Call my cell if you need
> me, then try home number next.
>
> -Scott de N4SBD
> Mobile: +1 404 934 1858
> Home: +1 678 366 9407
>
> _____
>
> From: nfarl@yahoogroups.com on behalf of w4uoc@...
> Sent: Sat 7/31/2010 3:46 PM
> To: nfares@yahoogroups.com; nfarl@yahoogroups.com;
> shelia.staton@sandyspringsga.org; sstaton@...;
> wcchapman@...; ad4mc.mike@...
> Cc: jeff.scarbrough@...
> Subject: [nfarl] Emergency Support for ChatComm potential deployment need!
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>
>
> Chief Scarbrough has informed me that they Sandy Springs and Johns Creek
> Fire/Rescue stations and vehicles are experiencing significant problems with
> the Fulton County radio system. For a few minutes Friday night, ChatComm
> could not transmit.
>
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> they need a "call up" to support this communication effort.
>
> Please advise as to your availability and willingness to potentially help
> at a local fire station or served agency.
>
> Tom Koch - EC - North Fulton ARES
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# 1122. North Fulton ARES Net, 8/8/2010, 8:30 pm

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2010-08-07 00:25:33 UTC
From: nfares@yahoogroups.com
Topic: 1122  Message: 1122

Reminder from: nfares Yahoo! Group
http://groups.yahoo.com/group/nfares/cal

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# 1123. NFARES 2-meter net, Sunday, August 8, 2010

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2010-08-09 02:32:42 UTC
From: MikeC
Topic: 1123  Message: 1123

We had 13 check-ins on the NFARES 2-meter net, Sunday, August 8, 2010
W4UOC, Tom, Sandy Springs, EC North Fulton, CBR
N4SEC, Jim, Alpharetta
N4SBD, Scott, Alpharetta, BP
KD9RU, Dave, Milton
AE4CW, Chuck, E. Cobb
AA4FA, Dan, Sandy Springs, BP
KI4DSO, George, Norcross
K4YJI, Bill, E. Cobb, BP
N4BTA, Bret, Alpharetta FS
K4MIJ, Clyde, Sandy Springs, BP
KJ4RTD, Stuart, Sandy Springs, BP
AD4MC, Mike, Net Control, Sandy Springs, BP

BP = Battery Power

Comments:
Tom, W4UOC, recognized Wayne - KG5WU and George ☐ KI4DSO for presenting D-Rats and APRS at the Ellijay Hamfest. Their presentations prompted lots of good questions.

Tom also thanked all of the the hams who volunteered to help with ChatComm had it been needed.

Announcement:
Our next NFARES meeting on Tuesday, August 10th will be held at the Sandy Springs City Council Chambers, Morgan Falls Office Park, 7840 Roswell Road Building, Sandy Springs, GA 30350.
Mike ☐ AD4MC will be covering our plans for the next Simulated Emergency Test (SET) that we will be holding on Sunday, October 10th from 3-6 PM.

Tom, W4UOC will also be presenting some very interesting information on WINMOR, a method of sending e-mails via HF using a sound card interface.

The next scheduled net will be Sunday, August 15th. This net closed at 8:43 PM.

73,
Mike - AD4MC
770-262-5212

# 1124. NFARES 2-meter net, Sunday, August 8, 2010 (revised)

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2010-08-09 19:31:59 UTC
From: MikeC
Topic: 1124  Message: 1124

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KD9RU, Dave, Milton
AE4CW, Chuck, E. Cobb
AA4FA, Dan, Sandy Springs, BP
KI4DSO, George, Norcross
K4YJI, Bill, E. Cobb, BP
W4QO, Jim, W. Roswell, BP
N4BTA, Bret, Alpharetta FS
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Mike - AD4MC
770-262-5212

# 1125. North Fulton County ARES Meeting, 8/10/2010, 7:00 pm

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2010-08-09 23:53:22 UTC
From: nfares@yahoogroups.com
Topic: 1119  Message: 1125

Reminder from: nfares Yahoo! Group
http://groups.yahoo.com/group/nfares/cal

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# 1126. NFARES AGENDA - AUG 10, 2010

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2010-08-10 14:39:41 UTC
From: w4uoc@aol.com
Topic: 1126  Message: 1126

The North Fulton ARES group will meet this evening, Aaugust 10, 2010, starting at 7:00 p.m. at the Sandy Springs City Council Chambers Training Room located in Building 500 in the Morgan Falls Office Complex, located just northwest of the intersection of Morgan Falls and Roswell Road.

Agenda for tonight's meeting:

1. Introduction/Planning Session for the 2010 Simulated Emergency Test (SET) - Mike Cohen AD4MC

2. Introduction of Military Affiliated Radio System - MARS and it's affiliation with Emergency Preparedness. - Tom Koch W4UOC

3. Demonstration of Winmore - HF/Winlink digital communications modality - Tom Koch W4UOC

# 1127. Winmor/RMS Express Primer

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2010-08-10 15:34:43 UTC
From: w4uoc@aol.com
Topic: 1127  Message: 1127

Attached is a link for those interested in more information on RMS Express or Winmor. This is a digital program that allows Winlink like digital transmissions via HF to RMS Express Gateways and the Internet. We will be demonstrating this modality at tonight's NFARES meeting. 7:00 p.m. Sandy Springs City Council Chambers Training Room. (Bldg 500)

_http://www.winlink.org/webfm_send/109_
(http://www.winlink.org/webfm_send/109)

# 1128. Fwd: Radio Update

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2010-08-11 02:46:00 UTC
From: w4uoc@aol.com
Topic: 1128  Message: 1128

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From: jeff.scarbrough@...
To: W4UOC@..., shelia.staton@...
Sent: 8/10/2010 12:09:47 P.M. Eastern Daylight Time
Subj: Radio Update

Tom & Shelia,
The Fulton County radio system appears to have stabilized for the time being after some work by Atlanta Communications. I think it is safe to stand down for now but be ready because we could be back where we were at any time. Please convey our appreciation for the planning that your group did to be in a state of readiness. It is a very real possibility that one day we could ask your support due to radio system problems.
Jeff

# 1129. Stay up on crime in your area. The Need to know

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2010-08-11 14:35:42 UTC
From: w4uoc@aol.com
Topic: 1129  Message: 1129

I received this from Capt Laudervile with the Sandy Springs
CERT/Fire/Rescue program.
This will identify crime in your area.... Open it...enter your address,
city and state and then expand or decrease the size of the are in view.... I
hope you fine this useful.

_http://www.crimereports.com/user/register?r=na_
(http://www.crimereports.com/user/register?r=na)

Tom Koch

# 1130. The ARES E-Letter for August 11, 2010

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2010-08-11 15:05:16 UTC
From: w4uoc@aol.com
Topic: 1130  Message: 1130

If you are having trouble reading this message, you can see the original
at:
_http://www.arrl.org/FandES/field/ares-el/?issue=2010-08-11_
(http://www.arrl.org/FandES/field/ares-el/?issue=2010-08-11)

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The View from Flagler County
It was a personal pleasure and privilege to check into the inaugural VHF
FM net of our renewed ARES® program, under the leadership of new EC Robbie
Creal, KG4HUF. The net was held on a new repeater system donated to the
county's emergency management agency by the new ARES® group. The new repeater
and tower/antenna is sited on the campus of the EOC.

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The huge _Florida State EOC_
(http://www.floridadisaster.org/eoc/Update/Home.asp) in Tallahassee is now D-STAR capable.
The EOC station KA4EOC
monitors K4WAK port B. As in the past, State EOC managers have requested that the
ARRL Northern Florida Section Manager or his designate serve as gateway
between the FEOC and other ARES® assets in the region during emergency or
disaster situations. When necessary or requested, the Northern Florida Section
Manager or his designate will be stationed at the facility in Tallahassee
to perform this liaison duty. The current SM is Paul Eakin, KJ4G, who
maintains close contact with the EOC on a daily basis, especially now as we
approach the crux of hurricane season.

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For up-to-date, state-of-the-art D-STAR and networking information and
resources drafted by people who are actually doing the real work in the field,
one of the finest Web/blog sites I have seen is the _NE-FL D-STAR System_
(http://nefl-dstar.com/blog/) , the "Journal of the North East Florida
D-STAR Repeater System," which also serves as the platform for ARES®
information and updates. Readers will find a bounty of information on D-STAR
applications, ranging from basic programming of radios to the latest on networking
digital repeaters, including both software and hardware issues. You will
also find tips and resources, news and updates on current emergency
management communications issues, tools and developments. Check it out - it is
superb.

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## FCC Modifies Rules to Allow Limited Employee Participation in Disaster and Emergency Drills

In a Report and Order released Wednesday, July 14, the FCC amended Part 97.113 to allow amateurs to participate without an FCC waiver in government-sponsored disaster preparedness drills on behalf of their employers participating in the exercise. The FCC also has amended the rules to allow employees to participate in non-government drills and exercises up to one hour per week and up to two 72 hour periods during the year. The effective date of the R&O is September 3. Read more _here_ (http://www.arrl.org/news/fcc-modifies-amateur-rules-to-allow-participation-in-disaster-and-emergency-drills-on-behalf-of-an-e) . - ARRL Letter

## ARES®: 75 Years!

The ARRL Public Relations Committee has noted that the 75th anniversary of the creation of ARES® will be next month (September). Over the past months the committee has discussed this milestone and opportunity, and is developing a publicity and recruitment campaign.The goal is to increase awareness of radio amateurs' spirit of volunteerism. While there will be acknowledgement of past events, the focus will be on the present and future. The PRC noted that "despite all of the investment made by government agencies, the volunteer assets of ARES® are still called on for communications and other support, especially during the first 48 hours of a crisis. Operators provide communications, information and technical skills when other systems are down or overloaded."

The ARES® community will be celebrating its 75th anniversary from September through December 2010. The first mention of an organized Amateur Radio emergency response organization appears in the September 1935 issue of QST Magazine. A September launch has the benefit of other related national campaigns such as National Preparedness Month and also is the height of hurricane season. The length of the campaign would be expected to be four months, but if successful can continue. The ARRL Marketing Department is planning for the sale of commemorative items including T-shirts, hats, and challenge

coins. Packets with ideas and promotional materials will be mailed to every PIC (or SM if there is no PIC) for distribution to local PIOs in the area. _Logo and more info_ (http://www.arrl.org/ares-anniversary) . -- Allen G. Pitts, W1AGP, ARRL Media and Public Relations Manager (http://www.arrl.org/nladclick.php?n=ae&t=i&i=2010-08-11&p=0)

Tips: Depiction® Software

Depiction® software is currently in use by northeastern Florida ARES® leadership for the planning, deployment and execution of ARES® assets, events and exercises. Depiction® provides planners with a full graphical display of the event shown on a single screen, including the planning, deployment and execution phases. The display screen changes and updates as elements of the event change and resources are moved or advanced.

In a single screen, users can track assets along a Depiction® drawn route in real time while monitoring live weather conditions, and sending and receiving live reports among one another. A feature enables updating Depiction® screens from remote locations.

Depiction® can also serve as a database for a group's members and resources. A single click on an icon representing a location will reveal the assigned operators, their personal information and the equipment available at that location.

Depiction® uses information available free from the public domain to display such items as weather radar, elevation data and a multitude of maps including roadmaps, topographical and aerial maps. The depictions that can be built can be placed over any of these maps at a single click. Depiction® will read and display GIS data that is available publicly on the Internet for states and counties including locations of EOCs, schools, shelters, police and fire stations. Tower site locations can be displayed and the software can even draw "lines of site" data for a given antenna on that tower.

Depiction® can also display graphical representations of flooding based on user-defined information.

In Northeastern Florida, ARES® leaders are currently using Depiction® to help develop the plan for their upcoming MS-150 bike event. They are also importing data on local ARES® personnel and resources into Depiction® for future events and activations.

Depiction® can also be used for drafting your own personal emergency plans at home. For more information: _Depiction_ (http://www.depiction.com/) . Information specifically for radio amateurs can be found _here_ (http://www.depiction.com/amateurradio) . -- Journal of the North East Florida D-STAR Repeater System, _NE-FL D-STAR System_ (http://nefl-dstar.com/blog/)

Letters

Bike MS-150 Support

I read with interest your description of the support for the MS-150 in your July issue of the ARES® E-Letter. In Arizona, we have been supporting the MS-150 (now called Bike MS) for over 20 years. In years past, it wasn't uncommon to have 80-100 hams on a linked repeater net stretching from Phoenix to the Colorado River (~150 miles with 4-5 linked repeaters). The current event still spans 100+ miles, but is in a large loop. You are correct: It is a significant effort to adequately support this ride, and as a result, many changes were implemented locally.

In an effort to bridge all area clubs, a new organization was formed: the

_Maricopa County Emergency Communications Group_ (http://www.mcecg.net/) .
This group's purpose was to include all clubs and provide a place for service-minded hams to come and exercise their need to use their radios for the good of the community.
Second, it led to the creation of an acclaimed training program, which has drawn participants from the entire state and even Canada. The training class is offered annually. The class materials include a 50-page public service manual, as well as copies of the multiple PowerPoint slide decks. Students receive all written materials, but are required to bring a VHF hand-held for a hands-on learning experience. The experience is enhanced by role-playing, a scripted but interactive training net, group problem solving and traditional lectures.
Event Coordinators create events on the Web site with a brief description of the event, the number of hams needed, and when the event goes "live" about 60 days in advance, registered hams can sign up to work the event(s). The Web site will stop accepting volunteers when the limit is reached, and should someone cancel, it will reopen automatically.
The MCECG has more than 500 members with 350 who have worked an event in the last two years. One to two hams are registered per month, and we support more than two dozen events each season. New hams are also encouraged to participate in the _Arizona Emergency Net-Maricopa_ (http://www.aen-mar.org/) where they can hone their communications skills.
We support Runs, Walks, Bike Rides, Marathons, Triathlons, Mountain Bike Races, and, of course, disasters and emergencies. Our group has supported events in the Greater Phoenix area, Arizona, New Mexico, Colorado, Utah and Mexico in the last decade. MCECG has developed a proficient group of hams who are more than communicators. The MS-150 is a good example: Hams are on their committees, run event logistics from start to finish including directing sag, supply and re-supply operations, and act as advisers to the event committee. We have been credited with saving life when a serious accident occurred: We were the first on the scene to report and support the rescue operation (including a helicopter landing zone, and managing both ends of the traffic detour). MCECG is a tremendous tool for developing communicators who can be used in times of disaster.-- Rick Aldom, W7STS, ARRL Section Emergency Coordinator, Arizona
_https://www.az-arrl.org/secure_ (http://webmail.cfl.rr.com/do/redirect?url=https%3A%2F%2Fwww.az-arrl.org%2Fsecure) ; _http://www.mcecg.net_ (http://webmail.cfl.rr.com/do/redirect?url=http%3A%2F%2Fwww.mcecg.net) ; _http://www.aen-mar.org_ (http://webmail.cfl.rr.com/do/redirect?url=http%3A%2F%2Fwww.aen-mar.org) ; _http://www.linkedin.com/in/rickaldom_ (http://webmail.cfl.rr.com/do/redirect?url=http%3A%2F%2Fwww.linkedin.com%2Fin%2Frickaldom)
Amateur Radio Resource Typing
Several times in the past you have placed information in your E-Letter about Amateur Radio Resource Typing from me. The _Communications Resource Functions Guide_ (http://garlandr.s412.sureserver.com/CRF%20Info/CRF%20Guide-Rev%20G1.pdf) has been updated. Additions include Basic and Specialty groupings. The Specialty group has replaced Digital functions. The CRF-DH has been

updated to enhance the _Winlink_ (http://www.winlink.org/) modes and to make it more user friendly for _MARS_ (http://www.netcom.army.mil/mars/links.aspx) . The introduction has been rewritten as well and a distinction for
Type I and Type II is made. All of this information is located at the following: _Resource Typing_ (http://garlandr.s412.sureserver.com/CRF%20Info/CRF%20resource%20data.html) .
Since over the last few years a number of groups across the country have used this concept or a modification of it, I would like to hear from these groups and hopefully add links to them for mutual aid resources. - _John Galvin, N5TIM_ (mailto:n5tim@...) , ARRL Official Emergency Station, Dallas, Texas ARES/RACES

Disaster Prep and Planning

I am not yet a member of ARES®, but your newsletter articles gave me valuable information and helped me plan for Hurricane Ike, so I wanted to share some adjustments I have made for my home. Since I have a swimming pool in my yard, I don't store as much water in bottles. Instead I keep cheese cloth and pool shock on hand to filter and sterilize the water after a storm.
My gasoline storage is in several small cans and both vehicles. I fill them and add stabilizer to each before a storm. Fuel stabilizer is inexpensive and will keep the fuel usable for 3-4 months in the Texas heat.
I keep a _Boy Scout Handbook_ (http://www.bsahandbook.org/) or field book in my emergency box. It is one of the best compilations of survival information. I also keep several 12-hour glow sticks - but change them out every year. These can provide enough light to navigate a dark room or even operate a station at night. -- Ralph E. Phillips, P.E., KE5HDF, Mustang Engineering

More on Planning

In your discussions of personal disaster planning you forgot to mention a large first aid kit, aspirin or Tylenol and other meds, and maybe an old set of eyeglasses. I'm going to buy a box of trash bags today, as recommended by Mr. Kountz, KE6GFF/T6EE, in your last issue. That was a great idea! -- Mike Jones, KD8DLD, Michigan

EmComm East, September 18: Rochester, New York

The third annual EmComm East emergency communications conference is an ARRL-sanctioned Amateur Radio event where operators can attend training sessions on technical topics, learn from served agencies, obtain VE testing for license upgrades, and interact with other operators from all over the country. It will be held on September 18, 2010, at St. John Fisher College, Rochester, New York, from 8 AM to 5 PM.
The featured speaker this year will be Steve Ewald, WV1X, supervisor of the ARRL Field Organization Team at ARRL Headquarters. Ewald is the lead staff liaison to ARRL Section Managers and ARRL Field Organization appointees. He edits the Public Service column in QST and helps support the ARRL efforts in emergency and public service communications.
Register on-line at the event Web site _EmComm East_ (http://www.emcommeast.org/) . A $30 registration fee provides for continental breakfast and
lunch. See you in September!
(http://www.arrl.org/nladclick.php?n=ae&t=i&i=2010-08-11&p=1)

Bike MS-150 Northeast Florida: October 2-3, 2010
The MS-150 Bike Tour - Florida will take place October 2 and 3, 2010. This two-day event will cover three counties and involve many Amateur Radio operators from various regional groups. See the event's _MS-150 Northeast Florida Web site_ (http://bikefln.nationalmssociety.org/site/PageServer?pagename=BIKE_FLN_Details) .
The MS-150 organizers are partnering with northeast Florida amateurs this year. Doug Carter, N4FPS, DEC Crown District ARES® and Mike Lee, WB6RTH, DEC East Coast District ARES® are teaming their two districts to form a unique communications structure for the entire MS-150 event. There will be a seamless communications network that involves two repeaters, one central command, one sweep vehicle, several SAG vehicles and multiple rest stop stations.
The planning has already begun. Participating radio amateurs are expected to attend at lease one of two dry runs prior to the actual event. The communications event will serve as the combined districts' ARES® 2010 _Simulated Emergency Tests_ (http://www.arrl.org/chapter-2-simulated-emergency-test-set) (SET).
The effort will be conducted using the NIMS/ICS model. NIMS/ICS provides an ideal way to respond to an event whether large or small and can be used by government agencies at the federal, state, local, or tribal level, private sector entities, and non-governmental organizations (NGO's). It also provides a means for agencies and organizations from a variety of jurisdictions to cooperate and work together in response to an emergency or event. Communications is a component within the overall NIMS/ICS system.
EMCOMM "Jump Team" Competition in Texas
An "Emergency Communications Team Competition" will be held September 5, 2010, at a South Texas park to be designated before the competition to pre-registered teams. The teams will be made up of four people each, and will compete to see which team can set up an operational communications (Jump Team) site and make 5 HF contacts in the least amount of time and in the proper manner. The competition will require teams to properly:
*Erect a six man sleeping tent and operations area (canopy) with chairs, tables and radio gear.
*Erect a food prep canopy with tables, chairs, stove, cooking supplies.
*Erect one 40 meter "Inverted V" antenna with coax back to the operations area with proper hazard flagging.
*Assemble one HF station powered by deep-cycle batteries.
*Assemble two solar panel assemblies and charge at least one deep-cycle battery.
*Filter ten gallons of water (as part of the setup responsibilities).
*Cook a simple meal in the food-prep area (enough to feed four people).
*Make at least 5 HF contacts on 40 meters SSB to stations outside the area with proper logging of contacts made. (Communications will begin only after all the setups have been accomplished).
This competition is not limited to any group or organization. Any four operators who have at least one licensed ham (General class or above) can compete. They will all be using the same equipment and gear supplied by the _Bexar Operators Group_ (http://www.sanantoniohams.org/clubs/index.htm#W5BOG) .

See _Emergency Communications Teams_ (http://www.texasmars.com/) .
Pre-register by _e-mail_ (mailto:W2IK@...) with a list of team members/call signs, contact e-mail and phone number. -- Robert Hejl, W2IK, San Antonio, Texas [see W2IK's QRZ.com bio for his interesting background and work -- ed.]

Hernando County, Florida: EmComm Training Class a Success

The first training class for Hernando County (Florida) operators in emergency communications since 2005 was held July 26, as reported in the last issue. It turned out to be a fine first step towards reintroducing emcomm skills to local radio amateurs as well as others from surrounding areas. A total of fifteen people participated, representing regional ARES® and CERT organizations, and included leaders Jerry Dixon, WA6QFC, West Coast DEC and Gerry Brummer, W4GKB, the chairman and deputy director of Citrus County _CERT_ (http://www.citizencorps.gov/cert/) .

Ron Wright, N9EE, led the class in message handling, with emphasis on regular and "booked" messages. Wright displayed and explained his go-kit used for deployment to a shelter, including a well-designed take-apart mast and emergency J-pole antenna made from 300 ohm "flat lead" wire.

Hernando County EC Alan McGrew, KC4MTS, followed up with information on _NIMS_ (http://www.fema.gov/pdf/nims/NIMS_basic_incident_command_system.pdf) courses. The Hernando County EOC managers are encouraging radio amateurs to hold NIMS and ICS course certifications.

Also discussed was the use of the new _WebEOC_ (http://esi911.com/esi/index.php?option=com_content&task=view&id=14&Itemid=30) ® systems at the EOCs of
both Citrus and Hernando counties. Future training on the WebEOC® system is to be held for radio amateurs volunteering at the EOCs.

A new Neighborhood Ham Watch program is in development for the Northern Florida ARRL Section. This program is designed to provide a communications link between individuals and emergency services when phone service is unavailable in a neighborhood. Coordinator _Andy Gausz, KG4QCD_ (mailto:kg4qcd@...) developed a brochure to explain the program for both radio amateurs and the community at large. -- _Alan McGrew, KC4MTS,_ (mailto::%20kc4mts@...) Emergency Coordinator, Hernando County, Florida (http://www.arrl.org/nladclick.php?n=ae&t=i&i=2010-08-11&p=2)

NIMS Compliance for Nebraska Responders

_FEMA Independent Study_ (http://training.fema.gov/is/crslist.asp) courses are now requirements for first responders assisting any agency in Nebraska during a disaster. _NIMS_ (http://www.fema.gov/emergency/nims/) compliance is required in the state to ensure that emergency response personnel and other partners are working from one protocol by meeting certain guidelines in planning, exercises, and training. NIMS compliance is also a requirement for eligibility for federal grant dollars to the county and all its response agencies as a whole.

An additional training requirement has been issued for local responders for FY 2010: This requires all responders who have previously taken the first _ICS_ (http://www.fema.gov/emergency/nims/IncidentCommandSystem.shtm#item1) courses of IS100 and IS700 to also complete on-line courses for IS701.a, IS702., IS703.a, IS704. This means that anyone who took any ICS course before now has to take these four courses. Click the links to see the courses on the FEMA Independent Study page:

_http://training.fema.gov/emiweb/is/is701a.asp_
(http://training.fema.gov/emiweb/is/is701a.asp)
_http://training.fema.gov/EMIWeb/IS/is702.asp_
(http://training.fema.gov/EMIWeb/IS/is702.asp)
_http://training.fema.gov/emiweb/is/IS703a.asp_
(http://training.fema.gov/emiweb/is/IS703a.asp)
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Estimates of the time required per course is between two to three hours. However, it is my experience that most students can review the material and take the on-line exam much quicker than the estimates. - Roger Hammond, KCØMWM, The Printed Circuit, June 2010 issue
Tip: D-RATS Looks Good for ARES Applications
_D-RATS_ (http://d-rats.danplanet.com/) is a file and messaging platform for D-STAR with ARES® applications for operations and planning. According to its Web site, features include instant-messaging style chat; multiple automatic messages at varying schedules, containing static or dynamic content; File Transfers; Online/offline status notifications; multi-platforms Linux/UNIX, Windows, and MacOSX; Canned messages; Chat logging; Tabbed chat interface to filter traffic based on a search string; Structured data (i.e. Forms) transmission with multiple form templates, graphical editor, and HTML exporting Form-to-e-mail gateway support for providing e-mail access to distant stations; Winlink2000 gateway; Automatic message forwarding; Arbitrary TCP forwarding over the RF channel; support for using a TNC or a network connection instead of a D-STAR radio; GPS position tracking, distance/direction calculation, static beacon support, and integrated _map viewer_ (http://d-rats.danplanet.com/documentation/4/17-map-viewer) with offline caching; and a Network-linkable repeater/proxy co-application. Worth checking out! - K1CE
K1CE For a Final
A recent issue of the ARES E-Letter contained an item on regulatory aspects of emergency communications in the wake of the Haitian earthquake, and unfortunately it has been misinterpreted to be critical of all of the work done by radio amateurs involved in difficult relief missions. It was published out of context and that is my fault as editor: It was a response to the narrow scope of an e-mail inquiry I received. It absolutely was not a reflection nor condemnation of the University of Miami/Project Medishare Ham Radio Mission, which I very proudly covered in an earlier issue that contained the excellent article by Mr. Jack Satterfield, W4GRJ. I apologize for my error.

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ARES is 75 years old next month! I am proud of being associated with the program that has rendered so much assistance to the victims of disaster for so many years. It has also been a privilege to work with so many of you over those years who are some of the finest people I have ever known. You should be proud, too. See you next month! - 73, Rick K1CE
(http://www.arrl.org/nladclick.php?n=ae&i=2010-08-11&t=r&p=0)
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# 1131. set2010_station_locations-master

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2010-08-12 23:38:36 UTC
From: ad4mc.mike@gmail.com
Topic: 1131  Message: 1131

I've shared a document with you:

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It's not an attachment -- it's stored online at Google Docs. To open this document, just click the link above.

# 1132. 2010 SET (Simulated Emergency Test) on Sunday, October 10th from 3-6PM

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2010-08-13 00:33:19 UTC
From: MikeC
Topic: 1132  Message: 1132

NFARES will be holding the 2010 SET (Simulated Emergency Test) on Sunday, October 10th from 3-6PM.

This year's simulated emergency will be a hurricane and we are hoping that our preparation will be for a test and not a real hurricane emergency. With your help, we will provide ham radio operators at all Sandy Springs, Johns Creek, Roswell, Alpharetta and Milton fire stations, hospitals and shelters and pass messages between locations using the NTS (National Traffic System) format. Don't worry, we will train you how to use the NTS format.

In fact, you do not have to be an ARES member or have any previous experience with a SET to volunteer to join us for a great time.

Our goal is to be able to pass all messages using simplex and cross band repeaters without using club repeaters that may become too busy during a real emergency.

Last year's SET was lots of fun and we are looking forward to having even more fun this year. We will be discussing the SET at our next NFARL meeting on Tuesday, August 17th and will have an NFARES sign up table. Please join us and sign up while you are there.

Check out the available station locations by clicking on the Yahoo e-mail link that you should have received in a separate e-mail or by copying the following address into you browser:

http://tinyurl.com/set2010-station-locations

The set2010-station-locations sheet will be continuously updated until the SET begins, so you will be getting the latest version whenever you click on the link.

You can also volunteer by contacting Mike Cohen at 770-262-5212 or ad4mc@arrl.net.

73,

Mike

# 1133. North Fulton ARES Net, 8/15/2010, 8:30 pm

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2010-08-14 00:25:27 UTC
From: nfares@yahoogroups.com
Topic: 1133  Message: 1133

Reminder from: nfares Yahoo! Group
http://groups.yahoo.com/group/nfares/cal

North Fulton ARES Net
Sunday August 15, 2010
8:30 pm - 9:30 pm
(This event repeats every week.)
Location: 147.060 MHz (plus 600kHz) PL 100.0. Backup is 145.470 MHz (minus 600 kHz) PL 100.0

Notes:
Please remember that both repeaters now require a PL tone of 100.0 Hz

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# 1134. NFARES 2-meter net, Sunday, August 15, 2010

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2010-08-16 02:22:51 UTC
From: MikeC
Topic: 1134  Message: 1134

We had 13 check-ins on the NFARES 2-meter net, Sunday, August 15, 2010
W4UOC, Tom, Ellijay, EC North Fulton, via EchoLink/N4SBD-R
N4SBD, Scott, Alpharetta, BP
KD9RU, Dave, Milton
AA4FA, Dan, Sandy Springs, BP
K4YJI, Bill, E. Cobb, BP
N4SEC, Jim, Alpharetta
AE4CW, Chuck, E. Cobb
KG5WU, Wayne, Sandy Springs, BP
KJ4RTD, Stuart, Sandy Springs, BP
AJ4NT, Matt, Mt. Vernon Ridge, BP
K4MIJ, Clyde, Sandy Springs, BP
K0WSB, Paul, Dunwoody
AD4MC, Mike, Net Control, Sandy Springs, BP

BP = Battery Power

Comments:
Tom, W4UOC, recognized Scott, N4SBD for setting up EchoLink on the 147.06 repeater. Tom also recognized Bill, K4YJI and Clyde, KJ4MIJ for checking into the GA ARES net on both HF voice and digital.

Bill, KJ4YJI and Clyde, KJ4MIJ also commented on their successful logins to the GA ARES HF net.

Mike, Ad4MC, commented on the development of our planned SET on Sunday, October 10 from 3-6PM. There is a NFARES Yahoo group that provides frequent updates of all NFARES information including the SET. If you are not yet a member of this group, please sign up at: http://groups.yahoo.com/group/nfares/

The continuously updated link to see who has signed up for the SET can be found at: http://tinyurl.com/set2010-station-locations

Announcement:
Jim, N4SEC, noted that the next NFARL meeting will be this Tuesday at 7:30 PM. We will set up an NFARES table to sign up volunteers for the SET. Please encourage every local ham you know to volunteer.

The next scheduled net will be Sunday, August 22th. This net closed at 8:48 PM.

73,
Mike - AD4MC
770-262-5212

# 1135. North Fulton ARES Net, 8/22/2010, 8:30 pm

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2010-08-21 00:25:28 UTC
From: nfares@yahoogroups.com
Topic: 1135  Message: 1135

Reminder from: nfares Yahoo! Group
http://groups.yahoo.com/group/nfares/cal

North Fulton ARES Net
Sunday August 22, 2010
8:30 pm - 9:30 pm
(This event repeats every week.)
Location: 147.060 MHz (plus 600kHz) PL 100.0. Backup is 145.470 MHz (minus 600 kHz) PL 100.0

Notes:
Please remember that both repeaters now require a PL tone of 100.0 Hz

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# 1136. ARES Net Report

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2010-08-23 15:04:52 UTC
From: David Hazell KD9RU
Topic: 943  Message: 1136

The following stations checked into the ARES net on Sunday 8-22-10.
N4SEC Jim Alpharetta,BP
AA4FA Dan Dunwoody,BP
K4YJI Bill E.Cobb,BP
N4JDO Marty E.Cobb,BP
N4CUS John
KI4DSO George Norcross
KD4NKE Sheila Sandy Springs
AJ4NT Matt Sandy Springs
N4SBD Scott Alpharetta,BP
N4BTA Bret Alpharetta
KJ4MIJ Clyde Dunwoody,BP
KJ4RTD Stuart Sandy Springs
K0WSB Paul Dunwoody,BP
W4QO Jim Roswell,BP
KB7WO Rich
KD9RU Dave Milton [Net Control]
A total of 16 stations participated participated in this net.
ANNOUNCEMENTS
The next regular ARES meeting will focus on preparations for the October SET exercise. The NTS message handling format will be reviewed.

# 1137. D-Rats

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2010-08-15 02:03:25 UTC
From: paul_ka3qxb
Topic: 1137  Message: 1137

Does anyone have the spell check functioning in D-Rats? I am using Windows Vista and have followed the instructions but still the spell check function is grayed out.

Paul, KA3QXB

# 1138. Salt Water Antenns

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2010-08-27 18:00:04 UTC
From: w4uoc@aol.com
Topic: 1138  Message: 1138

salt water antennae...check it out.

Tom - W4UOC

_http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=9tIZUhu21sQ_
(http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=9tIZUhu21sQ)

# 1139. North Fulton ARES Net, 8/29/2010, 8:30 pm

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2010-08-28 00:25:12 UTC
From: nfares@yahoogroups.com
Topic: 1139  Message: 1139

Reminder from: nfares Yahoo! Group
http://groups.yahoo.com/group/nfares/cal

North Fulton ARES Net
Sunday August 29, 2010
8:30 pm - 9:30 pm
(This event repeats every week.)
Location: 147.060 MHz (plus 600kHz) PL 100.0. Backup is 145.470 MHz (minus 600 kHz) PL 100.0

Notes:
Please remember that both repeaters now require a PL tone of 100.0 Hz

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# 1140. News items from Sandy Springs Reporter

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2010-08-28 21:21:33 UTC
From: Wayne
Topic: 1140  Message: 1140

Interesting article about ChatComm in current edition of Sandy Springs Reporter:
http://www.reporternewspapers.net/2010/08/25/chatcomm-wraps-year-meets-goals/

Also another article about the SSPD radio system:
http://www.reporternewspapers.net/2010/08/26/static-upgraded-radio-system/

Anybody up for a Chili Cook-off between SSPD and SSFD? Making me hungry!
http://www.reporternewspapers.net/2010/08/26/chili-contest-heats-firemen-police-cook-spicy-showdown/

73 de Wayne/kg5wu

# 1141. North Fulton ARES 2010-08-29 net report

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2010-08-30 01:28:54 UTC
From: Matthew Garland
Topic: 1141  Message: 1141

The North Fulton ARES net for Sunday 8/29 had the following check-ins:

1. W4UOC Tom
2. AD4MC Mike
3. K4YJI Bill
4. N4JDO Marty
5. N4SBD Scott
6. KD9RU Dave
7. N4CUS John
8. N4SEC Jim
9. AA4FA Dan
10. KD4NKE Shelia
11. KJ4MIJ Clyde
12. KJ4RTD Stuart
13. KG5WU Wayne
14. AJ4NT Matt

Wayne KG5WU had difficulty copying the 147.06 repeater output from Sandy Springs Fire Station #4. Matt AJ4NT and Tom W4UOC, however, had no trouble copying his transmissions on simplex or through the repeater. Wayne was able to copy other 2m repeaters in the area, as well as the 443.15 repeater, which is on the same water tower as the 147.06 repeater.

Clyde KJ4MIJ asked whether anyone has had success with Echolink for Android phones on a G1. Anyone who had made a contact with such a set-up, please contact Clyde directly.

Scott N4SBD announced that the debrief for this past week's CERT drill at Georgia Tech will be held at Gary Robinson's fire station. If you participated in the CERT drill, please email Scott for more information about the debrief.

The net closed at 8:48pm local time.

Respectfully submitted,
Matt Garland AJ4NT

# 1142. The NFARL 2010 SET (Simulated Emergency Test) on Sunday, October 10 from 3-6PM.

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2010-08-30 15:53:00 UTC
From: Mike Cohen
Topic: 1142  Message: 1142
Attachments: 1 described; binary payloads are missing from this source WARC

To all present and future SET (Simulated Emergency Test) volunteers,

We are making good progress getting set for our SET. Over 50% of the North Fulton served agencies already have ham radio operators assigned to help. But, we need at least 18 additional volunteers to make sure that all served agencies are covered. Attached is the listing of locations. You can also see the up-to-the-minute listing by clicking on set2010_station_locations-master<https://spreadsheets.google.com/ccc?key=0Ah8TgYV27SbEdDFBYVplWDJrUHFsS1pkWllCZjF0bEE&hl=en&invite=CMGr0N8M&authkey=CMGlxqgL>

To volunteer, just send me (ad4mc@...) the following short e-mail...

*Mike, Put me down for ________or_________ (fill in one/two station/location names) for SET. <your name/callsign>*

For all of you who have already signed up and also for those of you who are just thinking of signing up, join us at the next NFARES meeting on Tuesday, September 14th, when Jim, W4QO, will be covering the ARRL NTS message format. We will be practicing sending and receiving messages, so it will be great training for you.

Title: North Fulton County ARES Meeting Date: Tuesday September 14, 2010 Time: 7:00 pm - 8:30 pmRepeats: This event repeats every month on the second Tuesday.Location: Sandy Springs City Council ChambersStreet: Morgan Falls Office Park, 7840 Roswell Road Building 500City State Zip: Sandy Springs, GA 30350

Write or call if you have any questions.

73,
Mike - AD4MC

Mike Cohen
770-262-5212

On Wed, Aug 18, 2010 at 12:00 PM, MikeC <ad4mc.mike@...> wrote:

>
>
> NFARES/NFARL will be holding the 2010 SET (Simulated Emergency Test) on
> Sunday, October 10th from 3-6PM.
>
> This year's simulated emergency will be "Hurricane Jay" and we are hoping
> that our preparation will be for a test and not a real hurricane emergency.
> With your help, we will provide ham radio operators at all Sandy Springs,

> Johns Creek, Roswell, Alpharetta and Milton fire stations, hospitals and
> shelters and pass messages between locations using the NTS (National Traffic
> System) format. Don't worry, we will train you how to use the NTS format.
>
> In fact, you do not have to be an ARES member or have any previous
> experience with a SET to volunteer to join us for a great time. If this will
> be your first SET, that's fine. We can buddy you up with another ham at the
> same location who has worked on a SET before.
>
> We had over 30 volunteers for last year's SET and we are looking forward to
> having even more volunteers this year.
>
> Our goal is to be able to pass all messages using simplex and cross band
> repeaters without using club repeaters that may become too busy during a
> real emergency.
>
> Please check out the available station locations by clicking on the NFARL
> Yahoo e-mail link that you should have received in a separate e-mail or by
> copying the following address into you browser:
>
> set2010_station_locations-master<https://spreadsheets.google.com/ccc?key=0Ah8TgYV27SbEdD
FBYVplWDJrUHFsS1pkWllCZjF0bEE&hl=en&invite=CMGr0N8M&authkey=CMGlxqgL>
>
> The set2010-station-locations sheet will be continuously updated until the
> SET begins, so you will be getting the latest version whenever you click on
> the link.
>
> You can volunteer by contacting Mike Cohen at ad4mc@...<ad4mc%40arrl.net>or
770-262-5212.
>
> 73,
> Mike
>
>
>

# 1143. Fw: Fldigi and Flmsg updates

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2010-09-03 21:37:03 UTC
From: Jim Stafford
Topic: 1143  Message: 1143

From the Cherokee gang:

W4QO Jim Stafford

--- On Fri, 9/3/10, WB4NWS Jim Millsap <wb4nws@...> wrote:

From: WB4NWS Jim Millsap <wb4nws@bellsouth.net>
Subject: Fldigi and Flmsg updates
To: wb4nws@...g
Date: Friday, September 3, 2010, 10:25 AM

Please ensure you check the FLdigi website every week as updates to the program are posted. Both Fldigi and Flmsg (ICS213 and Radiogram form) have been updated last night. When you download and install the updates, do not erase your current version, as the updates saves your info previously entered. Simply delete your old version icon from your desktop as the download will place an updated icon with correct version on your desktop. Go to http://www.w1hkj.com/download.html and download the latest versions of both Fldigi and Flmsg, then install on your pc. Thanks,

Jim Millsap-WB4NWS
EC Cherokee County ARES

fldigi-3.20.27

Added call to Abort_ARQ when double ESC pressed (panic)
This primarily effects joint use of fldigi / flmsg

Added supporting code in modem class. flmsg-1.0.2

DT/TM formating issue on Windows - but not on Linux - fixed
Corrected hints for Radiogram/Records fields
Added hint for Radiogram SVC check button Visit

http://www.w1hkj.com/download.html

73, Dave, W1HKJ

# 1144. North Fulton ARES Net, 9/5/2010, 8:30 pm

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2010-09-04 00:25:21 UTC
From: nfares@yahoogroups.com
Topic: 1144  Message: 1144

Reminder from: nfares Yahoo! Group
http://groups.yahoo.com/group/nfares/cal

North Fulton ARES Net
Sunday September 5, 2010
8:30 pm - 9:30 pm
(This event repeats every week.)
Location: 147.060 MHz (plus 600kHz) PL 100.0. Backup is 145.470 MHz (minus 600 kHz) PL 100.0

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# 1145. NFARES Sunday Night Net for 9/5/2010

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2010-09-06 00:53:38 UTC
From: Wayne Chapman
Topic: 1145  Message: 1145

11 check-ins for Sunday September 5, 2010

kg5wu,Wayne,NCS
w4uoc,Tom
n4sec,Jim
k4yji,Bill
aa4fa,Dan
n4sbd,Scott
ad4mc,Mike
k0wsb,Paul
kd9ru,Dave
kd4nke,Shelia
w4cjv,Wayne

Announcements - Mike AD4MC reminded us of the SET on Oct 10 and encouraged everyone to attend the September 14 NFARES meeting.

# 1146. North Fulton County ARES Meeting, 9/14/2010, 7:00 pm

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2010-09-07 23:43:56 UTC
From: nfares@yahoogroups.com
Topic: 1146  Message: 1146

Reminder from: nfares Yahoo! Group
http://groups.yahoo.com/group/nfares/cal

North Fulton County ARES Meeting
Tuesday September 14, 2010
7:00 pm - 8:30 pm
(This event repeats every month on the second Tuesday.)
(The next reminder for this event will be sent in 5 days, 23 hours, 16 minutes.)
Location: Sandy Springs City Council Chambers
Street: Morgan Falls Office Park, 7840 Roswell Road Building 500
City State Zip: Sandy Springs, GA 30350

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# 1147. North Fulton ARES Net, 9/12/2010, 8:30 pm

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2010-09-11 00:25:22 UTC
From: nfares@yahoogroups.com
Topic: 1147  Message: 1147

Reminder from: nfares Yahoo! Group
http://groups.yahoo.com/group/nfares/cal

North Fulton ARES Net
Sunday September 12, 2010
8:30 pm - 9:30 pm
(This event repeats every week.)
Location: 147.060 MHz (plus 600kHz) PL 100.0. Backup is 145.470 MHz (minus 600 kHz) PL 100.0

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# 1148. 2010 SET (Simulated Emergency Test) on Sunday, October 10th from 3-6PM

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2010-09-11 17:13:04 UTC
From: Mike Cohen
Topic: 1132  Message: 1148

To all of you who are interested or may be interested in joining us for this year's SET, please come to the next NFARES meeting this coming Tuesday evening, September 14th, to 1) have a friendly eyeball QSO with the other team members and 2) get expert training by Jim, W4QO, on the NTS (National Traffic System) format, which we will be using to pass messages during the SET.

Reminder from: *nfares Yahoo! Group<http://groups.yahoo.com/group/nfares/cal>
* Title: North Fulton County ARES Meeting Date: Tuesday September 14, 2010 Time: 7:00 pm - 8:30 pmRepeats: This event repeats every month on the second Tuesday.
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73,
Mike - AD4MC

Mike Cohen
770-262-5212

# 1149. NFARES 2-meter net, Sunday, September 12, 2010

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2010-09-13 01:39:19 UTC
From: MikeC
Topic: 1149  Message: 1149

We had 15 check-ins on the NFARES 2-meter net, Sunday, September 12, 2010
W4UOC, Tom, Sandy Springs, EC North Fulton
N4SEC, Jim, Alpharetta
N4CUS, John, Roswell
AA4FA, Dan, Sandy Springs, BP
AJ4NT, Matt, Mt. Sandy Springs Mobile, BP
W4QO, Jim, W. Roswell, BP
KD9RU, Dave, Milton, BP
N4SBD, Scott, Alpharetta, BP
KJ4RTD, Stuart, Sandy Springs, BP
KG5WU, Wayne, Sandy Springs, BP
K4MIJ, Clyde, Sandy Springs, BP
KD4NKW, Shelia, Sandy Springs
W4CJV, Wayne, Alpharetta
W2OKQ, Jim, Marietta
AD4MC, Mike, Net Control, Sandy Springs, BP

BP = Battery Power

Comments:
Tom, W4UOC:
The antennas at the Milton fire stations need work to repair the coax connections prior to the SET.

Fire Chief Jeff Scarbrough and Police Lt. Bart Humble have received grant money to purchase ham radios for the 4 Sandy Springs fires stations plus 4 vehicles including the Battalion Commander and Police Chief vehicles. They will be Icom ID-880H D-Star/FM radios plus auxiliary equipment. Both Fire Chief Scarbrough and Police Lt. Humble plan to attend our next NFARES meeting on September 14th. We have had additional discussions with them to get CERT, Volunteer Police Department and Neighborhood Watch people licensed to use ham radio equipment. Since they are not paid employees, there should not be any conflicts with FCC regulations.

Mike, AD4MC:
Noted that Jim, W4QO, will be presenting NTS (National Traffic System) message handling techniques at our next NFARES meeting on Tuesday, September 14th starting at 7:00PM. This is located at the Sandy Springs City Council Chambers training room in Building 500 of the Morgan Falls Office complex. The office complex is located just north of the intersection of Morgan Falls and Roswell Road in Sandy Springs. We will be using the NTS format during our planned SET on Sunday, October 10 from 3-6PM.

The continuously updated link to see who has signed up for the SET can be found at:
set2010_station_locations-master

The next scheduled net will be Sunday, September 19th. This net closed at 8:47 PM.

73,
Mike - AD4MC
770-262-5212

# 1150. North Fulton County ARES Meeting, 9/14/2010, 7:00 pm

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2010-09-13 22:55:27 UTC
From: nfares@yahoogroups.com
Topic: 1146  Message: 1150

Reminder from: nfares Yahoo! Group
http://groups.yahoo.com/group/nfares/cal

North Fulton County ARES Meeting
Tuesday September 14, 2010
7:00 pm - 8:30 pm
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Location: Sandy Springs City Council Chambers
Street: Morgan Falls Office Park, 7840 Roswell Road Building 500
City State Zip: Sandy Springs, GA 30350

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# 1151. ARRL ARES Vest & Hat

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2010-09-15 18:33:22 UTC
From: Mike Cohen
Topic: 1151  Message: 1151
Attachments: 1 described; binary payloads are missing from this source WARC

The ARRL has added an ARES Vest and Hat to their ARRL Apparel Store, http://www.arrl.org/shop/Apparel-and-ARRL-Logo-Products/. Some of you got to see them "modeled" at last night's NFARES meeting. They are a great way to get noticed at public events and give a look of uniformity when we serve as a group, like at the upcoming SET. If we put together a large enough order, we might even be able to get a discount through the NFARL Mart, http://www.nfarl.org/mart/. Even if we can't get a discount, we can share the shipping expenses. Let me know if you would be interested in buying one or both.

73,
Mike - AD4MC

Mike Cohen
770-262-5212

# 1152. The NFARL 2010 SET (Simulated Emergency Test) on Sunday, October 10 from 3-6PM

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2010-09-16 21:27:21 UTC
From: Mike Cohen
Topic: 1152  Message: 1152

If you haven't signed up to join us for the 2010 SET, take a look at this ARRL article...

http://www.arrl.org/news/get-ready-for-the-2010-simulated-emergency-test

<http://www.arrl.org/news/get-ready-for-the-2010-simulated-emergency-test>Check out the available positions on the link below and send me an e-mail or give me a call to sign up.

http://tinyurl.com/set2010-station-locations

We're looking forward to having a great SET this year, but we'll need your help to do it.

73,
Mike - AD4MC

Mike Cohen
770-262-5212

# 1153. North Fulton ARES Net, 9/19/2010, 8:30 pm

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2010-09-18 00:25:21 UTC
From: nfares@yahoogroups.com
Topic: 1153  Message: 1153

Reminder from: nfares Yahoo! Group
http://groups.yahoo.com/group/nfares/cal

North Fulton ARES Net
Sunday September 19, 2010
8:30 pm - 9:30 pm
(This event repeats every week.)
Location: 147.060 MHz (plus 600kHz) PL 100.0. Backup is 145.470 MHz (minus 600 kHz) PL 100.0

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# 1154. Tower Climber

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2010-09-20 12:43:50 UTC
From: w4uoc@aol.com
Topic: 1154  Message: 1154

This video was sent to me by one of my HAM radio buddies. It was pulled for a while due to an issue regarding negative publicity but it's available again.
The climber is wearing a helmet mounted camera. He is climbing a 1768 ft. tower. I get queasy just watching. I could NEVER do it no matter what the pay.
Enjoy!
_http://www.funvid.eu/index.php?page=videos§ion=view&vid_id=104700_
(http://www.funvid.eu/index.php?page=videos§ion=view&vid_id=104700)
Tom - W4UOC

# 1155. North Fulton ARES Net, 9/26/2010, 8:30 pm

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2010-09-25 00:26:34 UTC
From: nfares@yahoogroups.com
Topic: 1155  Message: 1155

Reminder from: nfares Yahoo! Group
http://groups.yahoo.com/group/nfares/cal

North Fulton ARES Net
Sunday September 26, 2010
8:30 pm - 9:30 pm
(This event repeats every week.)
Location: 147.060 MHz (plus 600kHz) PL 100.0. Backup is 145.470 MHz (minus 600 kHz) PL 100.0

Notes:
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# 1156. NFARES ANNCOUNCEMENT

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2010-09-26 19:22:21 UTC
From: w4uoc@aol.com
Topic: 1156  Message: 1156

I am forwarding a message from Steve Garrison N4SEG our Metro Atlanta ARES District Emergency Coordinator pertaining to the Metro Atlanta ARES net usually scheduled for the first Sunday of each month (Oct 3) and the Georgia ARES statewide Simulated Emergency Test which will be held on Saturday Oct 2nd.

The Metro Atlanta ARES net is held on the 146.82 ARC repeater starting at 4:00 p.m.EDT and the Georgia statewide ARES SET will be held primarily on 3.975 MHz LSB. You are encouraged to join both events if you are an ARES member and to monitor to both even if you are not actively involved with any city, county or state ARES organization.

Good net etiquette = LISTEN BUT TALK ONLY WHEN REQUESTED BY THE NCS !!!

Our NFARES organization has been selected to be the net control station (NCS) for the Metro Atlanta ARES net scheduled for Nov 7th.on the ARC repeater 146.82 at 4:00 p.m. I am looking for a volunteer to become our NFARES NCS for that event. Steve Garrison N4SEG _n4seg@..._ (mailto:n4seg@comcast.net) can provide you with the Metro Atlanta ARES net script.

Please advise if you are interested in that NCS position.

Tom Koch - W4UOC
EC- North Fulton ARES

Hi all,
By now you should have received the first of several “Weather Updates” that will be coming your way as next Saturday’s Statewide SET approaches. While there is no requirement that you participate in the Statewide SET, I hope all of you will have some sort of SET plans during the month of October. You will all be receiving daily “Weather Updates” as next Saturday approaches.
Also please remember that next Sunday is the first Sunday of October and the Metro District ARES Net will be at 4:00PM local time on the 146.82 repeater of the ARC. Our host this month will be South Fulton ARES. Please contact your members and let’s have a big turnout for Chris, KJ4NAX, our new South Fulton EC.
North Fulton is scheduled for November 7th (don’t forget Daylight Saving Time changes on that Sunday).
Cherokee County is scheduled for December 5th.
73,
Steve G./ N4SEG

# 1157. NFARES 2-meter net, Sunday, September 26, 2010

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2010-09-27 11:56:45 UTC
From: Wayne Chapman
Topic: 1157  Message: 1157

We had 34 check-ins on the NFARES 2-meter net, Sunday, September 26, 2010.

AA4FA - Dan McKenzie
AD4MC - Mike Cohen
AE4CW - Chuck Catledge
AJ4NT - Matt Garland
AK4CL - Dave Brackett
AK4CM - Fred Boothe
K0WSB - Paul Redd
KB7WO - Rich Adams
KC4ZGK - Ed Chellino
KD4NKE - Shelia Staton
KD9RU - Dave Hazell
KF4ZTP - Michael Sandefer
KG5WU (NCS) - Wayne Chapman
KI4ZJD - John Graham
KJ4MIJ - Clyde McClain
KJ4MWF - Stephen Schreiman
KJ4RTD - Stuart Williams
KJ4VPK - Christian Kuhtz
KJ4YM - Mark Coleman
N4BTA - Bret Arnold
N4JDO - Marty Olson
N4LES - Earl Simmons
N4SBD - Scott Dunbar
N4SEC - Jim Paine
NN4V - Ed Hall
NZ4CW - Craig Willison
W2OKQ - Jim Clark
W4ANO - Mike Sheaffer
W4CCH - Chris Caldwell
W4CJV - Wayne Rand
W4COR - Len Corley
W4QO - Jim Stafford
W4UOC - Tom Koch
WO4MW - Mark Wolozin

# 1158. Georgia Section ARES SET Oct 2nd 2010

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2010-09-28 00:06:14 UTC
From: w4uoc@aol.com
Topic: 1158  Message: 1158

Net etiquette : Listen/monitor but don't talk unless requested by net control stations !!

The following information has been extracted from the GA ARES web site and email distributed by Section Officers.

The following net operation plans are active during the 2010 Simulated Emergency Test (S.E.T.) for the Georgia Section. The Test will be operational October 2, 2010.
BACKGROUND
Various Statewide ARES Nets will be active during the S.E.T. 2010 to support Emergency Coordinators, District Emergency Coordinators, and local Emergency Management officials to provide medium and long range communications capability. In addition to the below listed nets several local and regional nets may be active during the event. All stations are advised to remain alert for any changes and additions during the Test.
OPERATIONS
Georgia Section ARES will be active statewide from 9:00 A.M. until 7:00 P.M. October 2, simulating a strike from a major Hurricane affecting most of the state.
The primary net frequency for operations statewide will be 3975 KHz (LSB) which will be monitored continuously during the daylight hours. The frequency will be monitored full time between scheduled nets.
The Georgia ARES Statewide Net will be active every two hours Saturday, October 2.
The following statewide nets are planned:
Georgia ARES Net, 3975 KHz (LSB), 9:00 A.M., 11:00 A.M., 1:00 P.M., 3:00 P.M., 5:00 P.M.
Georgia ARES Digital Net, 3583 KHz PSK31 (USB), 10:00 A.M., 12:00 P.M.
Georgia State Net (GSN), (slow to medium speed CW), 3549 KHz., 2:00 P.M., 7:00 P.M.
Georgia Traffic Net, 3987.5 KHz (LSB), 1:00 P.M.
Georgia Single Sideband Net, 3975 KHz (LSB), 7:00 P.M.
Georgia Traffic and Emergency Net (GTEN), 3982.5 KHz, 7:15 P.M.
ALTERNATE NET FREQUENCIES
During operations of the Georgia ARES Net on 3975 KHz, several alternate frequencies may be used as traffic load and radio band propagation conditions warrant. These frequencies may be used only if needed.
Alternate Frequencies:
7275 KHz (LSB)
5330.5 KHz (USB)
1975 KHz (LSB)
3982.5 KHz (LSB)
3987.5 KHz (LSB)
3995 KHz (LSB)

PARTICIPATION All amateurs and ARES members are encouraged to participate in this years (SET). Our goal is to learn operations skills and improve participation in the Georgia Section.

# 1159. Fwd: [Gwinnett ARES] *** ARES DRILL MESSAGE***

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2010-09-28 00:52:44 UTC
From: Mike Cohen
Topic: 1159  Message: 1159

FYI. This is the beginning of the SET.

73,
Mike - AD4MC

Mike Cohen
770-262-5212

---------- Forwarded message ----------
From: WB4QDX <wb4qdx@arrl.net>
Date: Mon, Sep 27, 2010 at 8:19 PM
Subject: [Gwinnett ARES] *** ARES DRILL MESSAGE***
To: gwinnettares@yahoogroups.com

*** THIS IS A DRILL - THIS IS ONLY A TEST ***

Tropical Storm Jay has formed 30 miles north of Havana, Cuba. Slight
northwesterly movement is expected over the next 24 hours. Conditions are
favorable for rapid intensification of Jay into a Category 1 hurricane over
the next 12 to 24 hours.

*** THIS IS A DRILL - THIS IS ONLY A TEST ***

John WB4QDX

# 1160. North Fulton ARES Net, 10/3/2010, 8:30 pm

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2010-10-02 00:26:40 UTC
From: nfares@yahoogroups.com
Topic: 1160  Message: 1160

Reminder from: nfares Yahoo! Group
http://groups.yahoo.com/group/nfares/cal

North Fulton ARES Net
Sunday October 3, 2010
8:30 pm - 9:30 pm
(This event repeats every week.)
Location: 147.060 MHz (plus 600kHz) PL 100.0. Backup is 145.470 MHz (minus 600 kHz) PL 100.0

Notes:
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# 1161. GA AL FL SET - THIS IS A DRILL

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2010-10-02 13:29:58 UTC
From: w4uoc@aol.com
Topic: 1161  Message: 1161

You might want to monitor the monitor the following stations for the GA, AL, FL Simulated Emergency Test (SET) for Hurricane Jay. Monitor only unless called by the net control station (NCS) for your area. This is a 72 hr SET but most activities during the exercise will be for Saturday and Sunday, Oct 2 and 3.

The primary HF freq is 3.975 LSB and for those with D-Star capabilities you might want to monitor REF002A.

I will be monitoring from my cabin in Ellijay, GA.

Tom Koch - W4UOC
Emergency Coordinator North Fulton ARES.

# 1162. Re: GA AL FL SET - THIS IS A DRILL

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2010-10-02 14:16:45 UTC
From: w4uoc@aol.com
Topic: 1161  Message: 1162

For your information....

The Hurricane Jay, Simulated Emergency Test HF net on 3.975 LSB was activated a 09:00 Hrs today, Saturday Oct 2, 2010. The net will be called every 2 hrs until 17:00 hrs. 9:00, 11:00, 13:00, 15:00, 17:00.
ARES members are encouraged to check into the net. Additional information pertaining to the (SET) net are encouraged to check out _www.ga-ares.org_ (http://www.ga-ares.org) and scroll down to the Breaking News/Events.

Tom Koch - W4UOC
EC - NFARES

In a message dated 10/2/2010 9:30:00 A.M. Eastern Daylight Time, W4UOC@... writes:

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The primary HF freq is 3.975 LSB and for those with D-Star capabilities you might want to monitor REF002A.

I will be monitoring from my cabin in Ellijay, GA.

Tom Koch - W4UOC
Emergency Coordinator North Fulton ARES.

# 1163. NFARES Sunday Night Net for 9/19/2010

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2010-10-03 21:44:12 UTC
From: Wayne
Topic: 1163  Message: 1163

18 check-ins for Sunday September 19, 2010

KD4NKE (NCS) - Shelia Staton
AA4FA - Dan McKenzie
AD4MC - Mike Cohen
AE4CW - Chuck Catledge
AJ4NT - Matt Garland
KD9RU - Dave Hazell
KG5WU - Wayne Chapman
KJ4MIJ - Clyde McClain
KJ4PQX - Ken McIntire
KJ4RTD - Stuart Williams
N4BTA - Bret Arnold
N4JDO - Marty Olson
N4SBD - Scott Dunbar
N4SEC - Jim Paine
W2OKQ - Jim Clark
W4CJV - Wayne Rand
W4QO - Jim Stafford
W4UOC - Tom Koch

# 1164. NFARES 2-meter net, Sunday, October 3, 2010

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2010-10-04 01:53:31 UTC
From: MikeC
Topic: 1164  Message: 1164

We had 24 check-ins on the NFARES 2-meter net, Sunday, October 3, 2010
W4UOC, Tom, Sandy Springs, EC North Fulton
W4CJV - Wayne Rand
AK4CL - Dave Brackett
N4SBD - Scott Dunbar
N4SEC - Jim Paine
W4CCH - Chris Caldwell
KD9RU - Dave Hazell
AE4CW - Chuck Catledge
KI4DSO - George Lane
KB4KBS - Scott Straw
N4JDO - Marty Olson
AA4FA - Dan McKenzie
KJ4MIJ - Clyde McClain
KD4NKE - Shelia Staton
KJ4RTD - Stuart Williams
AJ4NT - Matt Garland
KG5WU - Wayne Chapman
NZ4CW - Craig Willison ☐ EchoLink
W4QO - Jim Stafford ☐ EchoLink
K0WSB - Paul Redd
K4YJI - Bill Reed
N4CLA - Fred Moore
N4CUS - John Dendy
AD4MC (NCS) - Mike Cohen

Comments:
Tom, W4UOC:
1. Acknowledged all of those who participated in the GA, FL, AL SET this weekend, even if they were only listening.
2. Installed IC-880H D-Star radio system at the Sandy Springs Police HQ. This is 1 of 10 systems that will be installed at the Sandy Springs Fire Stations, Batalion Chief's vehicles and Assistant Chief's vehicles. We will be giving training on the use of these D-Star systems at our December and/or January NFARES meetings.
3. Thanks in advance for participating in the NFARES 2010 SET on Sunday, October 10th from 3-6 PM.

Scott, N4SBD:
Working on building a "permanent" N4SBD-R Echolink connection for the 147.06 repeater.

Clyde, KJ4MIJ:
We are still experiencing intermittent severe static on the 147.06 repeater.

Mike, AD4MC:
Used the NTS format to pass a message to KG5WU. This is the format we will be using during

our SET on Sunday, October 10 from 3-6PM.

The continuously updated link to see who has signed up for the SET can be found at: set2010_station_locations-master

The next scheduled net will be Sunday, October 10th. This net closed at 9:01 PM.

73,
Mike - AD4MC
770-262-5212

# 1165. North Fulton County ARES Meeting, 10/12/2010, 7:00 pm

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2010-10-05 22:55:30 UTC
From: nfares@yahoogroups.com
Topic: 1165  Message: 1165

Reminder from: nfares Yahoo! Group
http://groups.yahoo.com/group/nfares/cal

North Fulton County ARES Meeting
Tuesday October 12, 2010
7:00 pm - 8:30 pm
(This event repeats every month on the second Tuesday.)
(The next reminder for this event will be sent in 6 days, 4 minutes.)
Location: Sandy Springs City Council Chambers
Street: Morgan Falls Office Park, 7840 Roswell Road Building 500
City State Zip: Sandy Springs, GA 30350

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# 1166. D-Rats of North Fulton Served Agencies

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2010-10-06 20:12:40 UTC
From: Mike Cohen
Topic: 1166  Message: 1166
Attachments: 1 described; binary payloads are missing from this source WARC

To all D-Rats users in NFARES,

Our own Scott Dunbar, N4SBD, has created a map for D-Rats that includes all of the served agencies in North Fulton. If you have D-Star/D-Rats capability, (whether or not you are taking part in the SET on October 10th), you can follow his instructions below to include this map in D-Rats. Note that the "NorthFultonStations.csv" file is attached.

Thanks, Scott, for putting this together for us!

73,

Mike - AD4MC

From Scott:

If you have D-Star capabilities, and want to try D-RATS:

1. Uninstall any current versions of D-RATS.

2. Download and install the latest version of D-RATS, v 0.3.3b4 (bottom of the page): http://www.d-rats.com/download/beta

3. Go to File -> Preferences as shown below:

[image: Description: cid:image001.png@01CB64CC.A8969D20]

4. Configure your settings as shown in the examples below. I've only captured Config screens where I had to make changes. Pay close attention to the Radio-> Transfers screen + make the appropriate changes.

[image: Description: cid:image002.png@01CB64CC.A8969D20]

[image: Description: cid:image003.png@01CB64CC.A8969D20]

Note: the Lat/Long MUST be in decimal format.

[image: Description: cid:image004.png@01CB64CC.A8969D20]

Note: If you are having trouble getting D-RATS to work, temporarily check "sniff" and "raw text" to see any messages which are being captured, even if they are not directed to you. Remember to go back and uncheck these once you get everything working to reduce clutter. Also – be sure to uncheck the*net :ref.d-rats.com:9000* entry, as that is just for initial testing.

[image: Description: cid:image005.png@01CB64CC.A8969D20]

Note: The following settings are IMPORTANT. Tom, W4UOC, was not able to send me a radiogram until I updated these values.

[image: Description: cid:image006.png@01CB64CC.A8969D20]

5. Open the D-RATS Map Download Utility (installed with this latest version of the software). Input the Lat/Long of where you will be stationed, and select an appropriate diameter + zoom level. This may take some time, but it will allow you to view the maps OFFLINE in case you do not have Internet access during an emergency.

6. Copy the attached file (NorthFultonStations.csv) to the “static_locations” directory, which is a subfolder of the D-RATS root directory. This will overlay all the SET stations, EOCs, Hospitals, and Police stations.

That is all I have for now, but should allow us to communicate effectively during the SET.

Here is a sample radiogram which Tom sent me via RF:

[image: Description: cid:image007.png@01CB64CC.A8969D20]

Scott Dunbar
Global Technical Lead
NOKIA
(t) +1 404-828-0236
(e) scott.dunbar@...

# 1167. North Fulton ARES Net, 10/10/2010, 8:30 pm

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2010-10-09 00:26:35 UTC
From: nfares@yahoogroups.com
Topic: 1167  Message: 1167

Reminder from: nfares Yahoo! Group
http://groups.yahoo.com/group/nfares/cal

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Sunday October 10, 2010
8:30 pm - 9:30 pm
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# 1168. NFARES 2-meter net, Sunday, October 10, 2010

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2010-10-11 00:57:10 UTC
From: Wayne
Topic: 1168  Message: 1168

Tonight, we had 15 check-ins for the October 10, 2010 NFARES net.

KG5WU (NCS) - Wayne Chapman
AD4MC - Mike Cohen
AG4WY - Mark Reich
AJ4NT - Matt Garland
KD9RU - Dave Hazell
KJ4MIJ - Clyde McClain
N4BTA - Bret Arnold
N4CLA - Fred Moore
N4CUS - John Dendy
N4SEC - Jim Paine
NN4V - Ed Hall
W2OKQ - Jim Clark
W4CCH - Chris Caldwell
W4CJV - Wayne Rand
W4UOC - Tom Koch

Join us at the NFARES meeting on Tuesday 10/12 at the Sandy Springs City Hall complex at 7p.

# 1169. NFARES TUESDAY OCT 12, 2010 MEETING AGENDA

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2010-10-11 16:25:07 UTC
From: w4uoc@aol.com
Topic: 1169  Message: 1169

The NFARES meeting, scheduled for Tuesday October 12, will begin at 7:00 p.m. in the training room of the Sandy Springs City Council Chambers, Building 500 in the Morgan Falls Office complex. The complex is located just northwest of the intersection of Roswell Road and Morgan Falls. We will monitor both the 145.47 and 147.06 repeaters to help with directions, etc. Some of the group meets for dinner at Tijuana Joe's just north of the city office complex around 5:30 p.m.

All amateurs are invited and welcome to attend the meeting and/or pre-meeting activities.

We encourage you to bring your "GO KIT" if available for a "Show and Tell" following a recap/briefing of the 2010 Simulated Emergency Test that was completed on Sunday, Oct 10th.

Hope to see you there.

Tom Koch - W4UOC
EC - North Fulton ARES

# 1170. North Fulton County ARES Meeting, 10/12/2010, 7:00 pm

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2010-10-11 22:55:34 UTC
From: nfares@yahoogroups.com
Topic: 1165  Message: 1170

Reminder from: nfares Yahoo! Group
http://groups.yahoo.com/group/nfares/cal

North Fulton County ARES Meeting
Tuesday October 12, 2010
7:00 pm - 8:30 pm
(This event repeats every month on the second Tuesday.)
Location: Sandy Springs City Council Chambers
Street: Morgan Falls Office Park, 7840 Roswell Road Building 500
City State Zip: Sandy Springs, GA 30350

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# 1171. North Fulton ARES Net, 10/17/2010, 8:30 pm

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2010-10-16 00:25:18 UTC
From: nfares@yahoogroups.com
Topic: 1171  Message: 1171

Reminder from: nfares Yahoo! Group
http://groups.yahoo.com/group/nfares/cal

North Fulton ARES Net
Sunday October 17, 2010
8:30 pm - 9:30 pm
(This event repeats every week.)
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# 1172. Alford Memorial Radio CLub Hamfest-Sat 11/6/10 & Sun 11/7/10

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2010-10-17 23:18:33 UTC
From: ke4qcm
Topic: 1172  Message: 1172

http://stonemountainhamfest.com/allpage.php

GENERAL INFORMATION FOR 2010 AMRC "Stone Mountain" HAMFEST:

IT IS THE LARGEST HAMFEST IN GEORGIA! FREE PARKING! INDOOR FLEA MARKET!

** ARES FORUM on Sat 11/6/10 at 11:00am **

The Stone Mountain Hamfest is sponsored by the Alford Memorial Radio Club and is the largest Hamfest in all of Georgia. It is held at the Gwinnett County Fairgrounds, 2405 Sugarloaf Parkway Lawrenceville, GA 30045
GPS Location: N 33 55.255' W 083 59.224'

General Admission Gate Hours are 8:00-4:00 on Saturday, Nov. 6, and 8:00-2:00 Sunday Nov. 7.
At the Gate, a general admission ticket is $8.00 and is good for both days.
If you buy a general admission ticket before the Hamfest, the price is $6.00 per ticket. The tickets will be available for "PRE-SALES" until 4:00pm, Friday, November 5, 2009 through the online store and from our club members.
Student admission (with ID) is $6.
Children 16 and under are FREE.
Tailgating in the Bone-Yard is $8.00 per space for both days. - plus a general admission ticket is needed for each person in the boneyard.
General Admission Parking is FREE.

Talk in is on the Stone Mountain Repeater, 146.76, PL 107.2. Alternate frequencies are 145.45 no PL and 444.25, PL 131.8.
Announcements during the Hamfest will be made on our low power FM station at 100.9FM.

To purchase tickets before the Hamfest Please use our online Ticket Booth, where you can use any major credit card or a PayPal account.
Our Online Ticket Booth is at: http://www.stonemountainhamfest.com/tickets.php

PRE-SALES TICKETS PURCHASED ON-LINE WILL NOT BE MAILED TO YOU!

All PRE-SALES Tickets can be picked up at the "Will Call" window or at the Vendor's Gate on the days of the Hamfest.

This is a traditional hamfest, with lots of commercial vendors, flea market vendors, and a gigantic tailgate "boneyard" area, the largest in all of Georgia. There will be breakfast biscuits and coffee in the mornings, and several lunch items available from our food vendor.

For more information about the hamfest or about the club, or to request registration forms, call the Hamfest Hotline, (770) 978-9181. You can leave us a message, send a fax, or request a fax to be sent to you, all at this one number. OR contact us at: AMRC Hamfest 2009, P.O. Box 1282, Stone Mountain, GA 30086-1282. This is the last hamfest in the Atlanta Metro area for the year. Do your holiday shopping early!

Hamfest Directions

From I - 285: Take either Stone Mountain freeway(Hwy 78) East toward Athens or take I - 85 North towards Greenville. Then follow other instructions.
From Hwy 78: either Eastbound (having come off Stone Mountain freeway into the stop light section) or West bound from Athens: Come into the center of Snellville and turn North (left if you came from Stone Mountain, right if you came from Athens) on Scenic Highway, GA 124. Go North 4.2 miles to Sugarloaf Parkway. Turn right onto Sugarloaf Parkway, diagonally across from McDonalds. The General Admission gate will have a double turn lane to the left, and the Exhibitor/Vendor/Tailgate entrance is next, with a single turn lane.

From I - 85 Northbound: Take exit 106, GA Hwy 316 Eastbound. Go to 2nd exit. This is Sugarloaf Parkway. Turn right. Take this road several miles to the Fairgrounds on the left. The General Admission gate will have a double turn lane to the left, and the Exhibitor/Vendor/Tailgate entrance is next, with a single turn lane.

From I - 85 Southbound: Take GA Hwy 20, and go left, which is south, on GA Hwy 20. Proceed South on GA 20 into Lawrenceville. You will come to a T intersection at the Post Office. Turn right and go 2 blocks. You will see the old courthouse on your left. Turn left, staying on GA Hwy 20 South. Go several blocks and cross GA Hwy 124. When the road narrows from 4 to 2 lanes, watch for Sugarloaf Parkway and turn right. The Fair Grounds are on the right side of the road. This will bring you right into the Hamfest. The Flea Market/Tailgate entrance is the first gate you will come to, and the General Admission gate is the second one.

From Ronald Regan Parkway: Take Ronald Regan south to Snellville end (ends at 124). Turn left onto 124 and proceed North to Sugarloaf Parkway (diagonally across from McDonalds). Turn right onto Sugarloaf Parkway. The General Admission gate will have a double turn lane to the left, and the Exhibitor/Vendor/Tailgate entrance is next, with a single turn lane.

From GA Hwy 316: either East or West bound: Turn South onto GA Hwy 20 at the traffic light by the BP station. This is a major intersection with turn lanes on both sides. Proceed South on GA 20 into Lawrenceville. At the Post office turn right and go 2 blocks. You will see the old courthouse on your left. Turn left, staying on GA Hwy 20 South. When the road narrows from 4 to 2 lanes, watch for Sugarloaf Parkway and turn right. This will bring you right into the Hamfest. The Flea Market/Tailgate entrance is the first gate you will come to, and the General Admission gate is the second one.

From GA Hwy 29: either North or Southbound: Come into Lawrenceville to the old courthouse and turn onto GA Hwy 20 Southbound. GA Hwy 20 will be running beside the courthouse. Proceed South on GA 20 into Lawrenceville. Go several blocks and cross GA Hwy 124. Turn Right onto Sugarloaf Parkway, the Fairgrounds will be on your right. The Flea Market/Tailgate entrance is the first gate you will come to, and the General Admission gate is the second one.

From Interstate 20 either East or West bound: Take exit 75 (Turner Hill Rd) and turn North on GA Hwy 124 to Snellville (12 miles) and cross Hwy 78 and continue North 4.2 mi. to Sugarloaf Parkway. Turn right onto Sugarloaf Parkway, diagonally across from McDonalds. The General Admission gate will have a double turn lane to the left, and the Exhibitor/Vendor/Tailgate entrance is next, with a single turn lane.

Commercial Vendors

There are over 75 commercial spaces available in the Main Hall. We try to have a good mix of the best radio dealers, computer dealers, peripherals dealers for both radio and computer equipment, and information booths. Don't miss any of them. Setup times are from 12:30pm to 9:00pm on Friday November 6th. And from 6:00am to 8:00am on Saturday, November 7th.

Commercial Tailgating

These are special reserve spaces between the Ticket Booths and the Main Hall. Many of our Dealers wish to put up their own Tents or Trailers in these special spots. We will provide Electricity and the Best Boneyard spaces to these Vendors. These spaces will cost $25.00 Per Space for the Weekend. Don't miss any of these vendors. Setup times are from 12:30pm to 9:00pm on Friday November 6th. And from 6:00am to 8:00am on Saturday, November 7th.

Flea Market

INDOOR FLEA MARKET!! You can find just about everything here, as well as lots you've never seen or heard of. Tables are $20 each, ($25 with electric hookup), and include admission. WE ARE LIMITED TO 100 TABLES IN THIS BUILDING - REGISTER EARLY! Setup times are from 12:30pm to 9:00pm on Friday November 6th. And from 6:00am to 8:00am on Saturday, November 7th.

Boneyard - Tailgating

If you didn't find what you're looking for in the Exhibit hall or in the Flea Market, then here's the place to look. Unbelievable bargains on perfectly good equipment and perfectly good junk. Maybe even not so good junk! If you have a couple of things to unload yourself, park and display here for $8 for both days. There is no pre-registration for tailgating - first come, first served for spaces in this area. Setup times are from 12:30pm to 9:00pm on Friday November 6th. And from 6:00am to 8:00am on Saturday, November 7th.

Testing

Testing starts at 9:00 am sharp both days. Plan to arrive by 8:30 for registration. Bring $15.00 in cash for testing fees. Bring two forms of ID (at least one with a photo), as well as both ORIGINAL and COPY of your current license and any additional Certificates of Successful Completion. If this is your first time, and you do not have a Ham License yet, bring your two Forms of ID, and if you are under age 18, bring one of your parents. Good Luck on your test and welcome to Ham Radio.

Forums

Hamfest Forums will be as follows:
The Forum Schedule has not been decided upon at this time.

Contests

Most of our contests this year are oriented to our youth. The contest committee is working on a selection of great activities to entertain, educate and excite our youth about our hobby. All youth age 16 and under are admitted free with an Adult. Scoutmasters and their troops are always welcomed..

Prizes

In addition to the contest prizes, there are lots of GREAT Major prizes and Hourly Prizes. Never won anything before? Your chances are good here! We have over $3500 in prizes! The Grand Prize is a full featured HF mobile rig. Other Major prizes include single and dual band mobile and HT transceivers, tuners, amps,and Computers. There will also be dozens of hourly prizes, so come early, come both days, and spend a while with us.

Hotels

We are negotiating special rates with local hotels for Hamfest attendees. Check back later for updates.

Camping

Camping is available right on the Fairground site for self contained campers. Those desiring hookups can camp in the main area for $15 per night. Parking only inside the fenced area, no hookups of any kind, is only $5 per night, and gets you access to restrooms, as well as having onsite security present.

For more Information E-Mail TO: Hamfest@...

Thank you for visiting our website and We hope to see you November 6 - 7, 2010 at the Lawrenceville Fairgrounds.

Don't Forget...Online Ticket Sales end at 4:00pm Friday November 5, 2010! The Ticket Booth

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# 1173. HamJam 2010 Author Featured Article in QST

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2010-10-18 10:50:19 UTC
From: Mack WB4MAK
Topic: 1173  Message: 1173

Joe Taylor, K1JT, has a featured article in the November issue of QST on page 30.

Please plan to join us on Saturday, November 13th, 9 AM for HamJam 2010. Full details are at http://hamjam2010.com .

This is a once in a lifetime opportunity to interact with Joe who is a Nobel Prize winner in Physics and Ward, N0AX, who is a noted ham radio author.

Admission is free. To cover expenses we are taking donations that give you the opportunity to win a K3 100W transceiver or Flex 1500 transceiver. You may buy tickets on the web at http://hamjam2010.com . You do not have to be present to win. Tickets will also be available at your local club meeting this month. $5 each or five tickets for $20.

Thank you for your support and we look forward to seeing you at this outstanding event.

73,

Mack de WB4MAK

# 1174. North Fulton ARES Net, 10/24/2010, 8:30 pm

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2010-10-23 00:25:31 UTC
From: nfares@yahoogroups.com
Topic: 1174  Message: 1174

Reminder from: nfares Yahoo! Group
http://groups.yahoo.com/group/nfares/cal

North Fulton ARES Net
Sunday October 24, 2010
8:30 pm - 9:30 pm
(This event repeats every week.)
Location: 147.060 MHz (plus 600kHz) PL 100.0. Backup is 145.470 MHz (minus 600 kHz) PL 100.0

Notes:
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# 1175. Volunteer for Metro Atlanta ARES Net Nov 7, 2010

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2010-10-25 22:00:39 UTC
From: w4uoc@aol.com
Topic: 1175  Message: 1175

I am in need for a volunteer to be the Net Control Station for the Sunday
Nov 7th Metro Atlanta ARES net.
The net is at 4:00 p.m. and I have a net script for use during that net.

Do I have any volunteers? Shelia was going to take the NCS for that net
but she will be in Colorado on that date.

Tom Koch - W4UOC

# 1176. October 24th ARES Net

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2010-10-26 16:27:28 UTC
From: dhazell@mindspring.com
Topic: 1176  Message: 1176

The following stations participated in the ARES net on October 24, 2010.
n4sbd Scott
ad4mc Mike
k4yji Bill
n4bta Bret
aj4nt Matt
aa4fa Dan
kj4rtd Stuart
n4sec Jim
kj4mij Clyde
kg5wu Wayne
w4qo Jim
kj4vpk Christian
kj4bwo Dave
w4cch Chris Cherokee County
n5roc Tom Huntsville Alabama
kj4sdu Morton
kd9ru Dave Net Control
ANNOUNCEMENTS
AD4MC- Mike provided commentary on this years successful SET exercise with
42 stations participating.
KJ4MIJ -Clyde discussed his participation on the HF ARES NET.
K4YJI - Bill discussed NFARL'S club table at the upcoming ALFORD ARC
hamfest.

# 1177. Re: 2010 North Fulton, GA ARES 2010 EC SET Report & NM SET Report

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2010-10-29 12:40:34 UTC
From: w4uoc@aol.com
Topic: 1177  Message: 1177

Looks very good.... You did a fantastic job organizing, conducting and reporting this great event..

73

Tom Koch - W4UOC
EC - North Fulton ARES

In a message dated 10/28/2010 8:37:48 P.M. Eastern Daylight Time, ad4mc.mike@... writes:

ARRL HQ,

The North Fulton, GA ARES (NFARES) group had its SET on Sunday, October 10th. Attached are the two report forms. Also attached is the listing of the served agencies that we supported; including fire stations, police stations, hospitals, three EOCs and three simulated shelters. The SET covered five North Fulton, GA cities. (Form A, Item K) We have logs and other supporting documentation to justify all the numbers presented on the reports. Please let me know if you have any questions or if you need any additional information.

73,
Mike Cohen - AD4MC, 2010 NFARES SET Director, AEC

c. Steve Garrison, N4SEG, DEC
Tom Koch, W4UOC, EC
Jim Paine, N4SEC, AEC

# 1178. North Fulton ARES Net, 10/31/2010, 8:30 pm

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2010-10-30 00:25:46 UTC
From: nfares@yahoogroups.com
Topic: 1178  Message: 1178

Reminder from: nfares Yahoo! Group
http://groups.yahoo.com/group/nfares/cal

North Fulton ARES Net
Sunday October 31, 2010
8:30 pm - 9:30 pm
(This event repeats every week.)
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# 1179. North Fulton County ARES Meeting, 11/9/2010, 7:00 pm

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2010-11-03 00:08:48 UTC
From: nfares@yahoogroups.com
Topic: 1179  Message: 1179

Reminder from: nfares Yahoo! Group
http://groups.yahoo.com/group/nfares/cal

North Fulton County ARES Meeting
Tuesday November 9, 2010
7:00 pm - 8:30 pm
(This event repeats every month on the second Tuesday.)
(The next reminder for this event will be sent in 5 days, 23 hours, 51 minutes.)
Location: Sandy Springs City Council Chambers
Street: Morgan Falls Office Park, 7840 Roswell Road Building 500
City State Zip: Sandy Springs, GA 30350

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# 1180. North Fulton ARES Net, 11/7/2010, 8:30 pm

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2010-11-06 01:26:16 UTC
From: nfares@yahoogroups.com
Topic: 1180  Message: 1180

Reminder from: nfares Yahoo! Group
http://groups.yahoo.com/group/nfares/cal

North Fulton ARES Net
Sunday November 7, 2010
8:30 pm - 9:30 pm
(This event repeats every week.)
Location: 147.060 MHz (plus 600kHz) PL 100.0. Backup is 145.470 MHz (minus 600 kHz) PL 100.0

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# 1181. November 9th NFARES Program Announcement

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2010-11-07 19:13:24 UTC
From: w4uoc@aol.com
Topic: 1181  Message: 1181

Since the cities of Sandy Springs, Johns Creek and Roswell appear agreeable to install D-Star compatible radios in their EOC's, Fire and Police stations I feel it is time to introduce D-Star radios to our group so they will become familiar with the operation of this equipment as soon as it is installed.

The radios that are being purchased are the Icom -880 H, D-Star and analog VHF/UHF radios.

During the meeting we will discuss how D-Star works in various configurations such as simplex, thru repeaters or connected to the Internet thru a Gateway.

We will have examples of the ID-880 base station radios and the 92 AD handheld radios. It is planned for you to use each of these radios for live demonstrations.

Our meeting is scheduled to be held at the usual location the training room of the Sandy Springs City Council Chambers, Bldg 500 in the Morgan Falls Office complex, just north of the intersection of Morgan Falls and Roswell Road. The meeting will start, as usual at 7:00 p.m. EST. Those interested in meeting for dinner prior to the meeting should join the group at Tijuana Joe's just north of the office complex on Roswell Road.

I hope to see you Tuesday evening.

73

Tom Koch - W4UOC
EC - North Fulton ARES

# 1182. NFARES 2-meter net, Sunday, November 7, 2010

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2010-11-08 03:32:23 UTC
From: MikeC
Topic: 1182  Message: 1182

We had 10 check-ins on the NFARES 2-meter net, Sunday, November 7, 2010
W4UOC, Tom, Sandy Springs, EC North Fulton
AA4FA - Dan, Dunwoody
KG5WU ☐ Wayne, Sandy Springs, BP
K4YJI ☐ Bill, E. Cobb, BP
KD9RU ☐ Dave, Milton, BP
N4SBD ☐ Scott, Alpharetta, BP
KJ4MIJ ☐ Clyde, Dunwoody, BP
KJ4RTD ☐ Stuart, Sandy Springs, BP
N4SEC ☐ Jim, Alpharetta, EchoLink
AD4MC (NCS) ☐ Mike, Sandy Springs, BP

Comments:
Tom, W4UOC:
1. Met with 3 Fire Chiefs including the Johns Creek Fire Chief. They are now planning to install an antenna at JC FS# 62, complete the coax run at JC FS#61 and they are considering buying D-Star radios for the fire stations and police station.
2. Met with Michael, KF4ZTP, and Mike, W4ANO, to help with antenna installations. Both hams may become NFARES members.
3. Main topic for next NFARES meeting on Tuesday, November 9th will be D-Star. Even though most NFARES members do not own D-Star equipment, it will be necessary to learn how to use the equipment that will be installed permanently at the fire and police stations that we will be supporting.

The next scheduled net will be Sunday, November 14th. This net closed at 8:47 PM.

73,
Mike - AD4MC
770-262-5212

# 1183. Meeting Room Confirmed for Nov 9th meeting

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2010-11-08 16:43:45 UTC
From: w4uoc@aol.com
Topic: 1183  Message: 1183

The meeting room is confirmed for the City Council Chambers Training Room for Tuesday's NFARES meeting. The doors will be unlocked by 7:00 p.m.

Hope to see you there.

Tom Koch

# 1184. HamJam 2010 next Saturday. Don't Miss It!

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2010-11-08 20:58:38 UTC
From: Mack WB4MAK
Topic: 1184  Message: 1184

HamJam 2010 is almost here. Please plan to join us on Saturday, Oct 13th, 9 AM ☐ 12:30 PM at the Georgia Tech School of Management. Full details may be found at www.hamjam2010.com <http://www.hamjam2010.com/> . Admission is free. Parking is available. Just say "HamJam" when you reach the parking garage for a special $8 rate. Everyone is encouraged to ride the Marta to save money on parking and to beat any traffic or crowds. The North Avenue Marta station (N3) is less than three blocks from the auditorium.

HamJam promises to be the premier ham radio program of the year and will feature Joe Taylor, K1JT, Nobel Prize winner, author of WSPR and WSJT. Joe will be discussing his work with weak signals and weak signal DXpeditions.

Ward Silver, N0AX, will also be a featured guest speaker and will discuss ham radio futures. Ward is the editor for the ARRL Handbook,author of Ham Radio for Dummies, editor for the Contesting Newsletter, and 2008Ham of the Year. Ward is a very entertaining speaker you won't want to miss.

We are also thrilled to have Atlanta's own Hal Kennedy,W4GG, who will demonstrate his Blue Lightening spark gap transmitter. Hal will describe how he constructed the rig using all vintage materials from the early1900's. You won't want to miss seeing this work of art in action.

There is also an opportunity to win a raffle for a 100WElecraft K-3 or Flex Radio 1500. Tickets are $5 each or five tickets for $20.They may be purchased at the door or online at www.hamjam2010.com <http://www.hamjam2010.com/> .

Please plan to attend and offer Joe, Ward, and Hal your warm Southern hospitality. This is an event we'll all be taking about for years to come. Let's have a big showing of all hams in the area so our speakers will feel most welcome. People are traveling in from around the state and neighboring states for this world class event.

# 1185. North Fulton County ARES Meeting, 11/9/2010, 7:00 pm

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2010-11-09 00:05:30 UTC
From: nfares@yahoogroups.com
Topic: 1179  Message: 1185

Reminder from: nfares Yahoo! Group
http://groups.yahoo.com/group/nfares/cal

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# 1186. North Fulton ARES Net, 11/14/2010, 8:30 pm

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2010-11-13 01:25:47 UTC
From: nfares@yahoogroups.com
Topic: 1186  Message: 1186

Reminder from: nfares Yahoo! Group
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# 1187. Nov. 14 2010 NFARES net.

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2010-11-15 16:01:46 UTC
From: CLYDE MCCLAIN
Topic: 1187  Message: 1187

We had 13 check  in. No traffic or discussion. BP denotes battery power. C commercial.
1. W4UOC Tom EC Sandy Springs BP
2. N4SEC Jim Alpharetta BP
3. K4YJI Bill East Cobb BP
4. N4SBD Scott Alpharetta BP
5. AD4MC Mike Sandy Springs BP
6. KD9RU Dave Milton BP
7. AA4FA Dan Dunwoody BP
8. AJ4NT Matt Mobile in Dekalb Co. BP
9. KG5WU Wayne Sandy Springs BP
10. KJ4RTD Stuart Sandy Springs BP
11. KD4NKE Sheila Sandy Springs C
12. W4QO Jim Roswell C
13. KJ4MIJ Clyde Net Control Dunwoody BP

# 1188. Ham Radio Operators needed for Atlanta Half Marathon (Thanksgiving Day, Thursday, November 25, 2010)

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2010-11-18 02:00:59 UTC
From: David Ziskind, KE4QLH
Topic: 1188  Message: 1188

Hi all, I'm still looking for a few more volunteers, in particular -
- Aid station downtown (near Atlanta City Hall)
- Info tent at Turner Field
- Start/finish shadow at Turner Field

Please let me know if you can help!

73,
David KE4QLH

Hi all, the Atlanta Half Marathon is quickly approaching on
Thanksgiving Day, and I'm looking for some ham volunteers.  Can you
help out?

Things are a little different this year - there will be no Marathon,
but there will be a Half Marathon, a 5K, and kids run.  The Atlanta
Track Club has again requested our assistance for the Half Marathon.

Can you volunteer for a few hours on Thanksgiving morning?  The event
starts at 7:30am, and we close the course at 11am.  Most positions
will start around 7am, and several will be finished before 11am.

Please let me know if you can help - please sign up online at
<http://www.doitsports.com/volunteer2/info.tcl?job_id=24976808>.

Thanks and 73,
David Ziskind KE4QLH

# 1189. North Fulton ARES Net, 11/21/2010, 8:30 pm

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2010-11-20 01:26:04 UTC
From: nfares@yahoogroups.com
Topic: 1189  Message: 1189

Reminder from: nfares Yahoo! Group
http://groups.yahoo.com/group/nfares/cal

North Fulton ARES Net
Sunday November 21, 2010
8:30 pm - 9:30 pm
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# 1190. North Fulton ARES Net, 11/28/2010, 8:30 pm

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2010-11-27 01:26:14 UTC
From: nfares@yahoogroups.com
Topic: 1190  Message: 1190

Reminder from: nfares Yahoo! Group
http://groups.yahoo.com/group/nfares/cal

North Fulton ARES Net
Sunday November 28, 2010
8:30 pm - 9:30 pm
(This event repeats every week.)
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# 1191. NFARES Sunday Net Report

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2010-11-30 18:34:30 UTC
From: David Hazell KD9RU
Topic: 1191  Message: 1191
Attachments: 1 described; binary payloads are missing from this source WARC

The November 28, 2010 North Fulton ARES net had 10 stations checking into the net.

1. W4UOC, Tom, EC Sandy Springs BP
2. N4SBD, Scott, Tallahassee, FL via Echolink
3. K4YJI, Bill, East Cobb BP
4. N4SEC, Jim, Alpharetta BP
5. AD4MC, Mike, Sandy Springs BP
6. KG5WU, Wayne, Sandy Springs, BP
7. KJ4MIJ, Clyde, Dunwoody BP
8. AA4FA, Dan, Dunwoody BP
9. AJ4NT, Matt, Dunwody BP
10.

KD9RU, Dave, Milton Net Control

The December NFARES meeting will review pertinet FEMA courses. Then net concluded at 8:46 PM EST. (BP= Backup Power)

# 1192. Icom IC-92AD D-STAR

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2010-12-01 17:50:39 UTC
From: cc7835
Topic: 1192  Message: 1192

Yeah! I saved my pennies (and quarters) and bought a D-STAR enabled IC-92AD HT on the Black Friday sale. I also sprung for the Icom data software and cable, though I couldn't bring myself to get the GPS microphone yet.

I remember there being a pre-made file with the local D-STAR settings already in it, ready to upload into the HT. Could someone forward or point me to that file?

Thanks. Chris
W4CCH

# 1193. North Fulton ARES Net, 12/5/2010, 8:30 pm

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2010-12-04 01:25:59 UTC
From: nfares@yahoogroups.com
Topic: 1193  Message: 1193

Reminder from: nfares Yahoo! Group
http://groups.yahoo.com/group/nfares/cal

North Fulton ARES Net
Sunday December 5, 2010
8:30 pm - 9:30 pm
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# 1194. NFARES Sunday Night Net Activity for 2010

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2010-12-05 15:58:10 UTC
From: w4uoc@aol.com
Topic: 1194  Message: 1194

Thanks to Wayne KG5WU for his work keeping such great records of our NFARES activities.

NFARES Sunday Night Net Activity for 2010

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✓ NN4V Ed 2
✓ ✓ NZ4CW Craig 2
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# 1195. Re: [nfarl] NFARES Sunday Night Net Activity for 2010

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2010-12-05 16:33:04 UTC
From: Mike Cohen
Topic: 1194  Message: 1195

Yes !! Great job, Wayne, putting together all of this information in a very comprehensive way.

73,
Mike - AD4MC

Mike Cohen
770-262-5212

On Sun, Dec 5, 2010 at 10:58 AM, <w4uoc@aol.com> wrote:

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> Thanks to Wayne KG5WU for his work keeping such great records of our
> NFARES activities.
> NFARES Sunday Night Net Activity for 2010
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# 1196. NFARES 2-meter net, Sunday, December 5, 2010

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2010-12-06 03:02:11 UTC
From: MikeC
Topic: 1196  Message: 1196

We had 14 check-ins on the NFARES 2-meter net, Sunday, December 5, 2010
W4UOC - Tom, Sandy Springs, EC North Fulton BP
N4SBD ☐ Scott, Alpharetta, BP
N4SEC ☐ Jim, Alpharetta, Alpharetta BP
N4CUS ☐ John, Roswell
AA4FA - Dan, Dunwoody
KD9RU ☐ Dave, Milton, BP
N4BTA, Bret, Alpharetta BP
W4CCH, Chris, Woodstock, BP
KJ4MIJ ☐ Clyde, Dunwoody, BP
K4YJI ☐ Bill, E. Cobb BP
KG5WU ☐ Wayne, Sandy Springs, BP
KD4NKE ☐ Shelia, Sandy Springs
AJ4NT ☐ Matt, DUnwoody
AD4MC (NCS) ☐ Mike, Sandy Springs, BP

Comments:
Tom, W4UOC:
1. The 75M GA ARES Net had K4YJI, N4BTA and W4UOC check in
2. The Decemebr 14th NFARES meeting will include a demo of WINMOR
3. To celebrate the holidays, we will have a brown bag gift exhange at the Dec. 14th mtg. The brown bag should contain a ham related item.
Bret, N4BTA:
Confirmed hearing K4YJI and W4UOC on the 75M GA ARES Net.

The next scheduled net will be Sunday, November 14th. This net closed at 8:47 PM.

73,
Mike - AD4MC
770-262-5212

# 1197. NFARES MEETING DECEMBER 14, 2010 - 7:00 P.M.- AGENDA

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2010-12-07 21:53:29 UTC
From: w4uoc@aol.com
Topic: 1197  Message: 1197

THE NORTH FULTON AMATEUR RADIO EMERGENCY SERVICE (NFARS) DEC 14 MEETING AGENDA WILL INCLUDE THE FOLLOWING:

1. PROGRAM AND LIVE DEMONSTRATION OF WINMOR A PACKET LIKE HF PROGRAM FOR SENDING LOW SPEED DATA ON HF FREQUENCIES. IF YOU HAVE A SOUNDCARD INTERFACE LIKE USED FOR PSK OR RTTY YOU WILL BE ABLE TO RUN WINMORE! PRIOR TO THE MEETING I WOULD SUGGEST YOU GO ONLINE AND DOWNLOAD WINMOR/RMS EXPRESS, A FREE PROGRAM. IF YOU BRING YOUR LAPTOP TO T HE MEETING WE WILL PROVIDE INSTRUCTIONS HOW TO USE IT.

BILL COBB K4YJI AND TOM KOCH W4UOC WILL PROVIDE A LIVE DEMONSTRATION OF WINMORE DURING THE MEETING.

2. THIS YEAR WE WILL BE HAVING A "BROWN BAG" HOLIDAY GIFT EXCHANGE. ALL WHO BRING A SEALED BROWN BAG OR BOX, WITH YOUR CALL WRITTEN ON THE OUTSIDE OF THE PACKAGE, WITH SOME RADIO RELATED ITEM ENCLOSED, WILL HAVE THE OPPORTUNITY TO EXCHANGE THEIR BROWN BAG WITH ANOTHER PERSON'S BROWN BAG. REMEMBER ONE PERSON'S TRASH MAY BE ANOTHER PERSON'S TREASURE. WHAT YOU PUT IN THE PACKAGE MIGHT BE SIMILAR TO THE ITEMS PROVIDED DURING THE NFARES MEETINGS WITH THE TICKET STUB DRAWINGS.

IN PAST EXCHANGES LIKE THIS I HAVE SEEN USED HAM RELATED BOOKS, MAGAZINES, MANUALS, USED TEST EQUIPMENT, OR ANY OTHER LOW COST/VALUE HAM RELATED ITEMS.

IT'S AS GOOD CHANCE TO CLEAN OUT OUR YOUR PARTS DRAWERS OR SHELVES.

YOU DON'T HAVE TO BE AN OFFICIAL NFARES MEMBER TO COME AND ENJOY THIS YEAR END MEETING.

THE MEETING WILL BE AT OUR NORMAL MEETING LOCATION, THE SANDY SPRINGS CITY COUNCIL CHAMBERS, TRAINING ROOM, BLDG 500, MORGAN FALLS OFFICE PARK JUST NORTHWEST OF THE INTERSECTION OF ROSEWLL ROAD AND MORGAN FALLS. CHECK THE NFARL WEBSITE FOR A MAP AND DIRECTIONS TO THE NFARES MEETING SITE. _http://www.nfares.nfarl.org/_ (http://www.nfares.nfarl.org/)

HOPE TO SEE YOU AT THE NFARES MEETING.

TOM KOCH - W4UOC

# 1198. North Fulton County ARES Meeting, 12/14/2010, 7:00 pm

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2010-12-08 00:08:38 UTC
From: nfares@yahoogroups.com
Topic: 1198  Message: 1198

Reminder from: nfares Yahoo! Group
http://groups.yahoo.com/group/nfares/cal

North Fulton County ARES Meeting
Tuesday December 14, 2010
7:00 pm - 8:30 pm
(This event repeats every month on the second Tuesday.)
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Location: Sandy Springs City Council Chambers
Street: Morgan Falls Office Park, 7840 Roswell Road Building 500
City State Zip: Sandy Springs, GA 30350

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# 1199. North Fulton ARES Net, 12/12/2010, 8:30 pm

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2010-12-11 01:25:58 UTC
From: nfares@yahoogroups.com
Topic: 1199  Message: 1199

Reminder from: nfares Yahoo! Group
http://groups.yahoo.com/group/nfares/cal

North Fulton ARES Net
Sunday December 12, 2010
8:30 pm - 9:30 pm
(This event repeats every week.)
Location: 147.060 MHz (plus 600kHz) PL 100.0. Backup is 145.470 MHz (minus 600 kHz) PL 100.0

Notes:
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# 1200. North Fulton County ARES Meeting, 12/14/2010, 7:00 pm

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2010-12-14 00:07:29 UTC
From: nfares@yahoogroups.com
Topic: 1198  Message: 1200

Reminder from: nfares Yahoo! Group
http://groups.yahoo.com/group/nfares/cal

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# 1201. North Fulton ARES Net, 12/19/2010, 8:30 pm

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2010-12-18 01:26:02 UTC
From: nfares@yahoogroups.com
Topic: 1201  Message: 1201

Reminder from: nfares Yahoo! Group
http://groups.yahoo.com/group/nfares/cal

North Fulton ARES Net
Sunday December 19, 2010
8:30 pm - 9:30 pm
(This event repeats every week.)
Location: 147.060 MHz (plus 600kHz) PL 100.0. Backup is 145.470 MHz (minus 600 kHz) PL 100.0

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# 1202. NFARES 2-meter net, Sunday, December 19, 2010

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2010-12-20 01:43:53 UTC
From: MikeC
Topic: 1202  Message: 1202

We had 7 check-ins on the NFARES 2-meter net, Sunday, December 19, 2010
K4YJI - Bill, E. Cobb, BP
KD9RU - Dave, Milton, BP
N4SBD - Scott, Alpharetta, BP
N4SEC - Jim, Alpharetta, Alpharetta, BP
KJ4MIJ - Clyde, Echolink, South Miami
N4JDO - Marty, E. Cobb
AD4MC (NCS) - Mike, Sandy Springs, BP

The next scheduled net will be Sunday, December 26th. This net closed at 8:37 PM.

73,
Mike - AD4MC
770-262-5212

# 1203. North Fulton ARES Net, 12/26/2010, 8:30 pm

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2010-12-25 01:25:17 UTC
From: nfares@yahoogroups.com
Topic: 1203  Message: 1203

Reminder from: nfares Yahoo! Group
http://groups.yahoo.com/group/nfares/cal

North Fulton ARES Net
Sunday December 26, 2010
8:30 pm - 9:30 pm
(This event repeats every week.)
Location: 147.060 MHz (plus 600kHz) PL 100.0. Backup is 145.470 MHz (minus 600 kHz) PL 100.0

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# 1204. //Winlink NFARES Sunday Net

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2010-12-27 21:27:09 UTC
From: David Hazell KD9RU
Topic: 1204  Message: 1204
Attachments: 1 described; binary payloads are missing from this source WARC

The following stations checked into the North Fulton ARES net. The net closed at 9:02 pm local time.

1. W4UOC Tom EC Sandy Springs
2. N4SEC Jim Venus, Florida
3. K4YJI Bill East Cobb
4. N4SBD Scott Alpharetta
5. N4CUS John Roswell
6. KI4DSO George Norcross
7. W4QO Jim Roswell
8. AD4MC Mike Sandy Springs
9. N4BTA Bret Alpharetta
10. KD4NKE Sheila Sandy Springs
11. KJ4MIJ Clyde Dunwoody
12. KJ4RTD Stuart Sandy Springs
13. KD9RU Dave Milton Net Control

The next regular ARES meeting (Tuesday1-11-11) will entail a review and discussion of net procedures. W4UOC asked for a roll call of stations that are capable of using digital modes and in particular MT63-1000 (16 tones). K4YJI reminded us of the GARS Tech Fest on January 8th. with no admission fee. NFARL will be hosting kit building forums for youth. Two sessions are scheduled: 9:30-11:00 & 11:00-12:30 AM. More kit building mentors are needed. Purchase of the AM radio kits will help to defray costs.

# 1205. Fw: 75th Anniversary ARES Patch

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2010-12-30 16:38:24 UTC
From: Jim Stafford
Topic: 1205  Message: 1205

Who wants one? I'm ordering me one today (this evening) although I think it can probably be tomorrow. Their website says Thursday Dec. 31 but Dec. 31 is Friday.

Oh well, I'll order as many as you want today. BTW, I put patches on my NFARL jacket sleeve and a local "alteration" shop does mine for $2 each! I save Marilyn for really serious stuff like repairing my Hell's Angels jacket,etc.

W4QO Jim Stafford www.w4qo.com QRP - When you care enough to send the very least!

--- On Wed, 12/29/10, ARRL Members Only Web site <memberlist@...> wrote:

> From: ARRL Members Only Web site <memberlist@...>
> Subject: 75th Anniversary ARES Patch
> To: w4qo@...
> Date: Wednesday, December 29, 2010, 9:02 AM
> This just in from Lee Cooper Section
> Manager for South Texas:
> I have been asked to send out a final reminder to everyone
> that the
> opportunity to purchase a limited run 75th Anniversary ARES
> patch is
> approaching.  Again, these are being sold to raise
> funds for Emcom
> needs in the West Gulf Division. Feel free to spread the
> word.
>
> http://www.tarefund.org/anniversarypatch.htm
>
> http://www.tarefund.org/
>
> This is a very neat patch and I have ordered one.
> Look at it on the
> site.  There is just time for one to order via the web
> using
> credit/debit or paypal.
> 73
> Gene W4AYK
>
> ------------------------------------------------------------------
> ARRL Georgia Section
> Section Manager: Eugene C Clark, W4AYK
> w4ayk@...
> ------------------------------------------------------------------
>

# 1206. North Fulton ARES 12/12/2010

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2010-12-13 22:42:49 UTC
From: CLYDE MCCLAIN
Topic: 1206  Message: 1206

North Fulton ARES 12/12/2010 net report
   13 check ins. 2033 HRS-2101 HRS.
   BP denotes battery or backup power.
1. AD4MC Mike Echolink Sandy Springs BP.
2. W4CCH Chris Woodstock
3. N4SBD Scott Alpharetta BP
4. K4YJI Bill East Cobb
5. W4QO Jim Echolink later RF first, West Roswell BP
6. KD9RU Dave Milton
7. AA4FA Dan Dunwoody BP
8. KD4NKE Sheila Sandy Springs
9. N4SEC Jim Alpharetta
10. N4JDO Marty East Cobb BP
11. N4BTA Bret Alpharetta BP
12. W5JR Mike Milton
13. Net Control KJ4MIJ Clyde Dunwoody BP
   AD4MC Mike discussed Echolink. Thanks to Scott N4SBD for working on it. Also upcoming Tues. night NFARES meeting with bag exchange, Tom and Bill doing Winmor demo. KD4NKE Sheila discussed Net Control operators availability and building entry door times and usage for meeting. AA4FA Dan discussed current Echolink audio reception along with others for improvements. Thanks to everyone participating and making net control easier. Clyde KJ4MIJ.

# 1207. ID-800 for sale

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2010-12-31 23:26:15 UTC
From: w4uoc@aol.com
Topic: 1207  Message: 1207

I have a friend that has an extra ID-800 H, D/Star vhf/uhf radio for sale.
He is asking $325.00 for it.
If any of you don't want it I will purchase it but don't really need
another D-Star except maybe for the cabin.

It does not include the software but I have a copy and the cable to load it
initially.

Contact me directly if you are interested. First one reply will get it.
I'll pick it up early next week in Atlanta when I return.

Tom Koch - W4UOC
404-314-6109

# 1208. Re: [nfares] ID-800 for sale

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2010-12-31 23:42:00 UTC
From: w4uoc@aol.com
Topic: 1207  Message: 1208

The ID-800H is sold..!

Tom Koch

In a message dated 12/31/2010 6:27:11 P.M. Eastern Standard Time,
w4uoc@... writes:

I have a friend that has an extra ID-800 H, D/Star vhf/uhf radio for sale.
He is asking $325.00 for it.
If any of you don't want it I will purchase it but don't really need
another D-Star except maybe for the cabin.

It does not include the software but I have a copy and the cable to load
it initially.

Contact me directly if you are interested. First one reply will get it.
I'll pick it up early next week in Atlanta when I return.

Tom Koch - W4UOC
404-314-6109

# 1209. ID-800 H is Sold

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2010-12-31 23:44:32 UTC
From: w4uoc@aol.com
Topic: 1209  Message: 1209

The ID-800H previously advertised is SOLD.

# 1210. North Fulton ARES Net, 1/2/2011, 8:30 pm

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2011-01-01 01:26:21 UTC
From: nfares@yahoogroups.com
Topic: 1210  Message: 1210

Reminder from: nfares Yahoo! Group
http://groups.yahoo.com/group/nfares/cal

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# 1211. Re: NFARES Monthly Report and Net Log

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2011-01-01 16:10:31 UTC
From: w4uoc@aol.com
Topic: 1211  Message: 1211

Wayne

You do such a great job putting this all together. I guess it should be expected with all your knowledge of IT but your dedication is even more impressive! Thanks for all your help and efforts in support of our NFARES efforts.

Tom - W4UOC

In a message dated 1/1/2011 6:51:52 A.M. Eastern Standard Time, wcchapman@... writes:

Happy New Year !!

Here's the updated Monthly Report and Net Log.

I've updated the Monthly Report in a couple of new ways.

1) In the actual ARES report at the top of the page, I've added two rows to better mimic the online form we fill out. In the online form, we enter 17 items, then click "Continue" and the form fills in two more rows for us (adding up previous entries). I've now added those summary lines to this report.

2) In the new Year-To-Date section, I've now collapsed all of the activity detail for each callsign. So now, instead of having one huge table to scroll through, you only scroll through a list of callsigns. Once you find one of interest, you click on the callsign to expand the activity. Click again to collapse it. It works as a toggle.

3) Also in the expand/collapse detail, I've added shading to better visualize the activity within a month. So all activity in January has one shade, all activity in February has another shade, etc.

The new YTD section has been tested in various browsers, so it should work in Firefox, Chrome and Internet Explorer (well, IE8 anyway). [Thanks, Mike!] You may have to save the attachment first. And it uses JavaScript, so if you are blocking that, you'll have a problem.

Again, Happy New Year to you all !!

73 de Wayne/kg5wu

On 12/28/2010 7:15 AM, Wayne Chapman wrote:
Greetings all !! And Happy New Year (just a few days early).

Here is the monthly report for December that I'll submit next week.

In addition to the Monthly Activity (by Callsign) and Monthly Activity (by Event) reports, I've added a new one: Year-To-Date Activity (by Callsign). You can find a clickable menu at the top of the page. In these three reports, NFARES members are designated with callsign in bold type; non-members in normal type.

Also here is the Net Log for 2010. We had 76 different callsigns check into our net. There were 712 check-ins during the year. (By way of contrast, last year we had 62 for 636. That's 22% more people; 12% more check-ins.)

Interestingly, even with the increase in weekly net check-ins, we've had no growth in members. We're still only showing 16 NFARES members. Take a look at the YTD report. Notice the number of activities some of the non-members participated in over the course of the year. Maybe they are prime candidates for recruitment into the ranks.

73 de Wayne/kg5wu

# 1212. Re: [nfares] Re: NFARES Monthly Report and Net Log

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2011-01-01 20:47:11 UTC
From: Mike Cohen
Topic: 1211  Message: 1212

Wayne,

Ditto to Tom's comments. Your efforts are both appreciated and humbling.
Well done !!

73,
Mike - AD4MC

Mike Cohen
770-262-5212

On Sat, Jan 1, 2011 at 11:10 AM, <w4uoc@...> wrote:

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> Wayne
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> You do such a great job putting this all together. I guess it should be
> expected with all your knowledge of IT but your dedication is even more
> impressive! Thanks for all your help and efforts in support of our NFARES
> efforts.
>
> Tom - W4UOC
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> In a message dated 1/1/2011 6:51:52 A.M. Eastern Standard Time,
> wcchapman@... writes:
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>
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> participated in over the course of the year. Maybe they are prime
> candidates for recruitment into the ranks.
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> 73 de Wayne/kg5wu
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# 1213. NFARES 2-meter net, Sunday, January 2, 2011

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2011-01-03 03:24:45 UTC
From: MikeC
Topic: 1213  Message: 1213

We had 14 check-ins on the NFARES 2-meter net, Sunday, January 2, 2011
W4UOC, Tom, Sandy Springs, EC North Fulton, D
KD9RU - Dave, Milton
KI4DSO ☐ George, Norcross
W4CCH ☐ Chris, Woodstock, D
AA4FA ☐ Dan, Dunwoody, BP
N4SEC ☐ Jim, Alpharetta, BP
AE4CW ☐ Chuck, E. Cobb, D
N4SBD - Scott Dunbar, Alpharetta, BP, D
KD4NKE ☐ Shelia, Sandy Springs
KJ4RTD ☐ Stuart, Sandy Springs, Echolink
KC4YBO - Steve, Roswell
W4QO - Jim Stafford, Roswell, BP, D
WB4MAK ☐ Mack, Milton
AD4MC (NCS) ☐ Mike, Sandy Springs, BP, D

BP = Battery Power
D = Copied Digital MP63-1000 message

Comments:
Mack, WB4MAK;
Worked with Chuck, AE4CW, to make additional repairs to the 147.06 repeater. Plans to replace existing antenna.

Tom, W4UOC:
Sent and received MT63-1000 messages. 6 people on tonight's net (with a "D" at the end of their check-in line) were able to copy. This will be a topic at future NFARES meetings.

The next scheduled net will be Sunday, January 9th. This net closed at 8:57 PM.

73,
Mike - AD4MC
770-262-5212

# 1214. North Fulton County ARES Meeting, 1/11/2011, 7:00 pm

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2011-01-05 00:21:00 UTC
From: nfares@yahoogroups.com
Topic: 1214  Message: 1214

Reminder from: nfares Yahoo! Group
http://groups.yahoo.com/group/nfares/cal

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# 1215. North Fulton ARES Net, 1/9/2011, 8:30 pm

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2011-01-08 01:26:37 UTC
From: nfares@yahoogroups.com
Topic: 1215  Message: 1215

Reminder from: nfares Yahoo! Group
http://groups.yahoo.com/group/nfares/cal

North Fulton ARES Net
Sunday January 9, 2011
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# 1216. Newspaper Article Promotes Digital Ham Radio

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2011-01-09 13:52:44 UTC
From: w4uoc@aol.com
Topic: 1216  Message: 1216
Attachments: 1 described; binary payloads are missing from this source WARC

Newspaper Article Promotes Digital Ham Radio
Cherokee County Amateur Radio Emergency Service in Georgia was featured in an article in today's (Saturday, Jan 8th) edition of The Cherokee Tribune Newspaper. The article, "Radio Group Adds Node For Emergencies", details the addition of a RMS Packet Radio Communications Node being installed in Cherokee County, bringing the total to two nodes in the county.

The article credits Tom Olley, KG4VUB, GA Assistant Section Emergency Coordinator-Digital Communications and Jim Millsap, Cherokee ARES Emergency Coordinator for their efforts in establishing this emergency communication tool for ARES and the Cherokee County Emergency Operation Center. The article also publishes the Georgia State ARES Digital Net on Sunday's at 4:30pm and listed the Cherokee ARES website for additional information.

The article is attached and can be viewed at:
_http://cherokeetribune.ga.newsmemory.com/_ (http://cherokeetribune.ga.newsmemory.com/)

We are pleased to have such a great relationship with our EMA Director, Robby Westbrook, along with the local newspapers and appreciate their support of our ARES group.

Jim Millsap
Emergency Coordinator
Cherokee County GA ARES

# 1217. Re: [nfares] Newspaper Article Promotes Digital Ham Radio

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2011-01-09 14:26:22 UTC
From: Mike Cohen
Topic: 1216  Message: 1217

Thanks to Tom Olley and Jim Millsap for making this happen and to Tom Koch
for passing along the article.

73,
Mike - AD4MC

Mike Cohen
770-262-5212

On Sun, Jan 9, 2011 at 8:52 AM, <w4uoc@...> wrote:

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>
> Newspaper Article Promotes Digital Ham Radio
> Cherokee County Amateur Radio Emergency Service in Georgia was featured in
> an article in today's (Saturday, Jan 8th) edition of The Cherokee Tribune
> Newspaper. The article, *"Radio Group Adds Node For Emergencies",* details
> the addition of a RMS Packet Radio Communications Node being installed in
> Cherokee County, bringing the total to two nodes in the county.
>
> The article credits Tom Olley, KG4VUB, GA Assistant Section Emergency
> Coordinator-Digital Communications and Jim Millsap, Cherokee ARES Emergency
> Coordinator for their efforts in establishing this emergency communication
> tool for ARES and the Cherokee County Emergency Operation Center. The
> article also publishes the Georgia State ARES Digital Net on Sunday's at
> 4:30pm and listed the Cherokee ARES website for additional information.
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> The article is attached and can be viewed at:
> http://cherokeetribune.ga.newsmemory.com/
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> We are pleased to have such a great relationship with our EMA Director,
> Robby Westbrook, along with the local newspapers and appreciate their
> support of our ARES group.
>
> Jim Millsap
> Emergency Coordinator
> Cherokee County GA ARES
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>

# 1218. Weather Alert for North Fulton and potential NFARES activation.

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2011-01-09 19:52:42 UTC
From: w4uoc@aol.com
Topic: 1218  Message: 1218

I am sure you are well aware of the current weather alert posted for Middle and North Georgia starting tonight January 9th thru Monday. I have not received any direction from Chief Scarbrough or Lt. Bart Humble pertaining to needing our services but expect we will get some direction, soon. I will update the NFARES net as to potential activation plans during our regularly scheduled NFARES net at 8:30 p.m. on the 147.06 repeater tonight, Sunday January 9th.

I would ask that you check your email frequently, at least while you have power and also monitor the NFARES repeater on 147.06 + 100 Hz as a rally point for any alert notifications as to our support of Sandy Springs.

If we are activated for Sandy Springs we will initially open our emergency net on 147.06 and the probably switch to 146.49 simplex if we only have to serve the Sandy Springs metro area. That will free up the 147.06 repeater for the other surrounding cities.

I had a call from Marty Olson and they will be activating the Roswell EOC at RAPSTIC starting at 4:00 AM Monday morning. The will also be on 147.06, initially.

I assume that Jim Paine will update us as to needs in supporting the Alpharetta/Milton areas and the Alpharetta EOC.

If you can respond via email it would be helpful if we could get some commitments to cover some of the Sandy Springs locations. It will need for those who volunteer to bring their VHF radio/power supply and a short length of coax to connect to the antennas installed at these location. The only fire station that does not have a permanently installed antenna is Johns Creek FS 62.

These would include.

Sandy Springs EOC - Barfield and Mt Vernon location - equipment on site
Sandy Springs PD - Barfield and Hammond location - equipment on site
Sandy Springs FS 1 - Spaulding and Roberts
Sandy Springs FS 2 - Sandy Springs Circle and Glenridge
Sandy Springs FS 3 - 6025 Raiders Drive off Heard Road
Sandy Springs FS 4 - Roswell Rd and Wieuca

Johns Creek FS 63 - 3165 Old Alabama Road
Johns Creek FS 61 - 10265 Medlock Bridge Parkway
Johns Creek FS 62 - 10925 Rogers Circle

Tom Koch - Emergency Coordinator, North Fulton Amateur Radio Emergency Service

# 1219. Re: [nfares] Weather Alert for North Fulton and potential NFARES activation.

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2011-01-09 22:02:20 UTC
From: Mike Cohen
Topic: 1218  Message: 1219

As a follow-up to Tom's e-mail below, here is some additional information:

Our October, 2010 SET exercise was designed around a hurricane, but the potential upcoming severe ice storm could result in a declared emergency situation for North Fulton that could be supported using our SET procedures.

*Please note that, unless you are personally asked to deploy, *
*
*
*DO NOT SELF DEPLOY*

If we are asked to provide communications assistance to any of the North Fulton cities, we will try to contact you by phone, e-mail or on the two NFARL ARES Repeaters;

N4CLA/R: 147.060 (+) PL 100.0Hz
W4PME: 443.150 (+) No PL

It will be helpful if you monitor either of those two repeaters throughout the storm, particularly if emergency conditions are declared by the local authorities.

Below is the link to the station location spreadsheet that we used for the SET.
http://tinyurl.com/set2010-station-locations

Here is the list of the simplex frequencies we used.
Simplex FrequenciesPrimarySecondaryMilton 146.460146.430Sandy Springs146.490 146.400Johns Creek 146.550147.420Alpharetta146.580147.450Roswell 147.555 147.480

If we set up an Area Wide Net, we will use W4PME: 443.150 (+) No PL.

The safety and well being for you and your families is your number one concern. We will not ask you to drive or go to another location is there is a driving ban in force without specific authorization for you and your vehicle from your city's police department.

Please join us on tonight's NFARES Net at 8:30 PM on the N4CLA/R Repeater: 147.060 (+) PL 100.0Hz for updates.

Hopefully, we will be able to simply enjoy a quiet day (or two) at home.

73,
Mike - AD4MC

Mike Cohen
770-262-5212

On Sun, Jan 9, 2011 at 2:52 PM, <w4uoc@aol.com> wrote:

>
>
> I am sure you are well aware of the current weather alert posted for
> Middle and North Georgia starting tonight January 9th thru Monday. I have
> not received any direction from Chief Scarbrough or Lt. Bart Humble
> pertaining to needing our services but expect we will get some direction,
> soon. I will update the NFARES net as to potential activation plans during
> our regularly scheduled NFARES net at 8:30 p.m. on the 147.06 repeater
> tonight, Sunday January 9th.
>
> I would ask that you check your email frequently, at least while you have
> power and also monitor the NFARES repeater on 147.06 + 100 Hz as a rally
> point for any alert notifications as to our support of Sandy Springs.
>
> If we are activated for Sandy Springs we will initially open our emergency
> net on 147.06 and the probably switch to 146.49 simplex if we only have to
> serve the Sandy Springs metro area. That will free up the 147.06 repeater
> for the other surrounding cities.
>
> I had a call from Marty Olson and they will be activating the Roswell EOC
> at RAPSTIC starting at 4:00 AM Monday morning. The will also be on 147.06,
> initially.
>
> I assume that Jim Paine will update us as to needs in supporting the
> Alpharetta/Milton areas and the Alpharetta EOC.
>
> If you can respond via email it would be helpful if we could get some
> commitments to cover some of the Sandy Springs locations. It will need for
> those who volunteer to bring their VHF radio/power supply and a short length
> of coax to connect to the antennas installed at these location. The only
> fire station that does not have a permanently installed antenna is Johns
> Creek FS 62.
>
> These would include.
>
> Sandy Springs EOC - Barfield and Mt Vernon location - equipment on site
> Sandy Springs PD - Barfield and Hammond location - equipment on site
> Sandy Springs FS 1 - Spaulding and Roberts
> Sandy Springs FS 2 - Sandy Springs Circle and Glenridge
> Sandy Springs FS 3 - 6025 Raiders Drive off Heard Road
> Sandy Springs FS 4 - Roswell Rd and Wieuca
>
> Johns Creek FS 63 - 3165 Old Alabama Road
> Johns Creek FS 61 - 10265 Medlock Bridge Parkway
> Johns Creek FS 62 - 10925 Rogers Circle
>
> Tom Koch - Emergency Coordinator, North Fulton Amateur Radio Emergency

> Service
>
>
>

# 1220. NFARES 2-meter net, Sunday, January 9, 2011

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2011-01-10 03:55:13 UTC
From: MikeC
Topic: 1220  Message: 1220

We had 23 check-ins on the NFARES 2-meter net, Sunday, January 9, 2011
W4UOC - Tom, Sandy Springs, EC North Fulton
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W4QO - Jim Stafford, Roswell, BP
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AJ4NT - Matt, Dekalb
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KD4NKE ☐ Shelia, Sandy Springs
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KJ4SJJ ☐ Andy, Roswell, BP
AE4CW ☐ Chuck, E. Cobb
AD4MC (NCS) ☐ Mike, Sandy Springs, BP

BP = Battery Power

Comments:
Tom, W4UOC:
Welcome Cherokee County, N4LES ☐ Earl and N1ABM ☐ Jim. Please join us often.
Regarding the imminent storm, E-mail me if you are available to support Sandy Springs and Johns Creek Fire and Police...IF we are asked to mobilize.
Our next NFARES meeting on Tuesday, January 11th (weather permitting) will cover digital VHF messaging.

Bret, N4BTA & Clyde, KJ4MIJ:
W4UOC, KJ5MIJ, N4BTA and AD4MC checked in to the ARES 80M digtal and voice nets today.
KJ4MIJ also checked in to the 160M voice net.

Jim, N1ABM:
Robby, Wesbrook EOC activated to Level 2
Gov. Perdue has already declared a State of Emergenc for GA.

The next scheduled net will be Sunday, January 16th. This net closed at 9:03 PM.

73,
Mike - AD4MC

770-262-5212

# 1221. NFARES SUPORT FOR NORTH FULTON PUBLIC SERVICE ORGANIZATIONS

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2011-01-10 15:03:59 UTC
From: w4uoc@aol.com
Topic: 1221  Message: 1221

AS OF 9:00 AM JANUARY 10, 2010 WE HAVE RECEIVED NO REQUESTS FROM THE SANDY SPRINGS OR JOHNS CREEK PUBLIC SERVICE ORGANIZATIONS TO SUPPORT THEIR COMMUNCATIONS EFFORTS OR NEEDS.

I WILL CONTINUE THESE ANNOUNCEMENTS ON A HOURLY BASIS UNTIL THE WEATHER IS NO LONGER CONSIDERED TO BE AN ISSUE FOR THE PUBLIC SAFETY OPERATIONS.

I WOULD ENCOURAGE YOU TO MONITOR THE 147.06 + 100Hz REPEATER FOR FURTHER UPDATES AND/OR REQUESTS FOR OUR SUPPORT.

TOM KOCH - EMERGENCY COORDINATOR - NORTH FULTON AMATEUR RADIO EMERGENCY SERVICE (NFARES

# 1222. NFARES JAN 11 MEETING CANCELLED DUE TO WEATHER

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2011-01-10 15:05:42 UTC
From: w4uoc@aol.com
Topic: 1222  Message: 1222

I have made a decision to cancel the January 11th NFARES meeting scheduled for the Sandy Springs City Council Training Room. There is little chance that the roads will not be cleared of ice and snow before Tuesday evening.

In place of the NFARES meeting I would like to hold some training for the use of MT-63 on the 147.06 + 100Hz repeater starting at 7:00 p.m. for those interested in getting some experience using that digital mode for message handling on VHF and the repeater.

Those with digital experience are encouraged to check into the training session using either a computer interface such as a SignaLink, HRD/DM780, FLdigi or any other appropriate software.

If you don't have an interface you can use your computer with an appropriate digital program a microphone and speaker with the computer. Place the microphone near the radio speaker and the speaker near the radio microphone. Then copy a received MT-63/1000 sign on the radio and then transmit your text message by keying the digital transmit program with the microphone activated to your radio.

This will be just an instructional and practice session so don't get too concerned if you are new to these modes.

You can download a digital program for free over the internet. I would suggest you Google FLDIGI or any other free digital software program and have it downloaded and installed on your computer prior to the NFARES training session net starting at 7:00 p.m. Tuesday .

We will call the net as usual to establish a list of stations interested in participating in this session, conduct some on the air training and then call individual net stations to get responses either by voice or by a digital transmission.

Hope we can learn about this digital mode and have some fun.

73

Tom Koch - Emergency Coordinator - North Fulton Amateur Radio Emergency Service

# 1223. North Fulton County ARES Meeting, 1/11/2011, 7:00 pm

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2011-01-11 00:13:08 UTC
From: nfares@yahoogroups.com
Topic: 1214  Message: 1223

Reminder from: nfares Yahoo! Group
http://groups.yahoo.com/group/nfares/cal

North Fulton County ARES Meeting
Tuesday January 11, 2011
7:00 pm - 8:30 pm
(This event repeats every month on the second Tuesday.)
Location: Sandy Springs City Council Chambers
Street: Morgan Falls Office Park, 7840 Roswell Road Building 500
City State Zip: Sandy Springs, GA 30350

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# 1224. NFARES MEETING CANCELLED FOR JAN 11, 2011 - HOWEVER !!!

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2011-01-11 03:44:40 UTC
From: w4uoc@aol.com
Topic: 1224  Message: 1224

CITY HALL CLOSED TUESDAY DUE
TO WINTER WEATHER

The administrative offices at City Hall will remain closed on Tuesday, January 11, 2011. The City advises residents to stay off the roads unless absolutely necessary and use extreme caution if you must travel.

Guess we made the right decision to cancel our NFARES meeting for Jan 11th. However, y'all are invited to join us on the NFARES repeater as we will have a MT-63 digital, on the air demonstration and training workshop, utilizing the 147.06 + 100 Hz repeater starting at 7:00 p.m.

Load your computer with FLdigi or any other digital software program, connect your interface to your VHF radio or just try to copy and send MT-63 with an acoustic setup. We will show you how during this NFARES Training Net.

Hope to hear you on the net Tuesday evening.

Tom - W4UOC
EC - NFARES

# 1225. Re: [nfares] NFARES 2-meter net, Sunday, January 9, 2011

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2011-01-11 19:03:24 UTC
From: Mike Cohen
Topic: 1220  Message: 1225

Christian,

Sorry that I missed you and hope that you try again. I did not hear you and no one else let me know that I had missed a station. Our monthly NFARES meeting for tonight has been cancelled due to the weather, but we will instead have another net tonight at 7:00 PM on 147.06 (+) PL 100.0 HZ to practice digital VHF transmissions using MT63. Please join us.

73,
Mike - AD4MC

Mike Cohen
770-262-5212

On Tue, Jan 11, 2011 at 1:46 PM, Christian Kuhtz <christian@...>wrote:

> 
> I had checked in as well, did nobody hear me? ;-)
> 
> 73,
> KJ4VPK
> 
> 
> On 1/9/2011 10:55 PM, MikeC wrote:
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> BP = Battery Power
>
> Comments:
> Tom, W4UOC:
> Welcome Cherokee County, N4LES – Earl and N1ABM – Jim. Please join us
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> 9:03 PM.
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> 73,
> Mike - AD4MC
> 770-262-5212
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# 1226. Re: [nfares] NFARES 2-meter net, Sunday, January 9, 2011

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2011-01-11 18:46:53 UTC
From: Christian Kuhtz
Topic: 1220  Message: 1226

I had checked in as well, did nobody hear me? ;-)

73,
KJ4VPK

On 1/9/2011 10:55 PM, MikeC wrote:
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> 73,
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> 770-262-5212
>
>

# 1227. NFARES JAN 11 MEETING WILL BE A 7:00 PM NET. PLEASE JOIN US.

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2011-01-11 21:12:57 UTC
From: Mike Cohen
Topic: 1227  Message: 1227

Please see Tom's e-mail below and join us on tonight's net at *7:00 PM* *on
the 147.06 (+) PL 100.0 Hz repeater*. We will be using both voice and
digital messaging during the net.

A tool that can help you send and receive comments while the MT63 messages
are being sent is the NFARL "Do Drop IN" site, http://nfarl.dodropin.org/.
If you log into the site, you will be able to send and receive typed chat
messages even while the MT63 messages are being sent. Thanks, Scott -
N4SBD, for suggesting that we include that tool tonight.

73,
Mike - AD4MC

Mike Cohen
770-262-5212

On Mon, Jan 10, 2011 at 10:05 AM, <w4uoc@...> wrote:

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>
> I have made a decision to cancel the January 11th NFARES meeting scheduled
> for the Sandy Springs City Council Training Room. There is little chance
> that the roads will not be cleared of ice and snow before Tuesday evening.
>
> *In place of the NFARES meeting I would like to hold some training for the
> use of MT-63 on the 147.06 (+) PL 100.0Hz repeater starting at 7:00 p.m. for
> those interested in getting some experience using that digital mode for
> message handling on VHF and the repeater.*
>
> Those with digital experience are encouraged to check into the training
> session using either a computer interface such as a SignaLink, HRD/DM780,
> FLdigi or any other appropriate software.
>
> If you don't have an interface you can use your computer with an
> appropriate digital program a microphone and speaker with the computer.
> Place the microphone near the radio speaker and the speaker near the radio
> microphone. Then copy a received MT-63/1000 sign on the radio and then
> transmit your text message by keying the digital transmit program with the
> microphone activated to your radio.
>
> This will be just an instructional and practice session so don't get too
> concerned if you are new to these modes.
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> suggest you Google FLDIGI or any other free digital software program and

> have it downloaded and installed on your computer prior to the NFARES
> training session net starting at 7:00 p.m. Tuesday .
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> participating in this session, conduct some on the air training and then
> call individual net stations to get responses either by voice or by a
> digital transmission.
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> 73
>
> Tom Koch - Emergency Coordinator - North Fulton Amateur Radio Emergency
> Service
>
>
>

# 1228. FCC Dot GOV site about Amateur Radio

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2011-01-12 18:37:31 UTC
From: Jim Stafford
Topic: 1228  Message: 1228

I had never come across this before. But google knows everything!

http://www.fcc.gov/pshs/services/amateur.html

Doesn't even look like the FCC site! Early review

says it's pretty interesting.

jim/w4qo

# 1229. NFARES 2 Meter Net January 11, 2011 held due to cancellation of NFARL mtg

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2011-01-14 01:37:03 UTC
From: MikeC
Topic: 1229  Message: 1229

We had 13 check-ins on the NFARES 2 Meter Net January 11, 2011 held due to cancellation of monthly NFARL meeting.
Th enet opened at 7:00 PM.
W4UOC - Tom, Sandy Springs, EC North Fulton
N4SBD - Scott Dunbar, Alpharetta, BP
N4SEC ☐ Jim, Alpharetta, BP
W4CCH ☐ Chris, Woodstock
AE4CW ☐ Chuck, E. Cobb
KD9RU ☐ Dave, Milton
KD4NKE ☐ Shelia, Sandy Springs
N4LES ☐ Earl, EOC, Cherokee County
N4MPB ☐ Karen, Johns Creek
K4YJI - Bill, E. Cobb, BP
W4QO - Jim Stafford, Roswell, BP
N4BTA ☐ Bret, Alpharetta, BP
AD4MC (NCS) ☐ Mike, Sandy Springs, BP

BP = Battery Power

Comments:
Tom, W4UOC:
Conducted MT63 training

This net closed at 9:03 PM.

73,
Mike - AD4MC
770-262-5212

# 1230. North Fulton ARES Net, 1/16/2011, 8:30 pm

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2011-01-15 01:26:35 UTC
From: nfares@yahoogroups.com
Topic: 1230  Message: 1230

Reminder from: nfares Yahoo! Group
http://groups.yahoo.com/group/nfares/cal

North Fulton ARES Net
Sunday January 16, 2011
8:30 pm - 9:30 pm
(This event repeats every week.)
Location: 147.060 MHz (plus 600kHz) PL 100.0. Backup is 145.470 MHz (minus 600 kHz) PL 100.0

Notes:
Please remember that both repeaters now require a PL tone of 100.0 Hz

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# 1231. Getting FLDIGI to work with 2 radios

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2011-01-15 17:26:57 UTC
From: Jim Stafford
Topic: 1231  Message: 1231

Many of us have 2 different radios - one for HF and one for VHF. I
don't have mine both hooked up
but hope to soon.

There is an NBEMS yahoo groups which you can access by going to Dave,
W1HKJ's website (over
on the right) www.w1hkj.com. I've joined now (Oh, NBEMS means
NarrowBand Emergency Messaging System
and has been covered in QST and elsewhere a lot - google it). Anyway
found one message (the
messages are readable even if NOT a member of the yahoo group there) and
it applies to
how to store settings in fldigi for two different radios so that when
you start fldigi, it loads the
settings for whichever radio you are using. I have not tried it but it
looks straight forward
enough for me to do (especially with N4SBD's or Wayne's or Mike's help).

http://groups.yahoo.com/group/NBEMSham/message/1763

Let me know if anyone tries this and is successful. Probably something
to cover
after a Sunday night net!

jim/w4qo

# 1232. Fwd: January 2011 Cherokee County GA ARES Newsletter

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2011-01-21 16:35:07 UTC
From: w4uoc@aol.com
Topic: 1232  Message: 1232
Attachments: 1 described; binary payloads are missing from this source WARC

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# 1233. North Fulton ARES Net, 1/23/2011, 8:30 pm

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2011-01-22 01:29:33 UTC
From: nfares@yahoogroups.com
Topic: 1233  Message: 1233

Reminder from: nfares Yahoo! Group
http://groups.yahoo.com/group/nfares/cal

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# 1234. Making memory chips

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2011-01-23 15:53:54 UTC
From: w4uoc@aol.com
Topic: 1234  Message: 1234

Thought you might be interested in this.

_http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=kvf29R7nXlM_
(http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=kvf29R7nXlM)

Tom - W4UOC

# 1235. Water Tower Repeater Failure (147.06)

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2011-01-23 22:18:47 UTC
From: w4uoc@aol.com
Topic: 1235  Message: 1235

The 2M PA has failed on the water tower repeater. It won’t get fixed before next weekend. We will hold the NFARES net on the 145.47 repeater tonight Jan 23 at 8:30 p.m. EDT.

# 1236. In case you wondered what NBEMS is???

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2011-01-25 21:39:00 UTC
From: Jim Stafford
Topic: 1236  Message: 1236

Here is a link that explains it. But flwrap has surpassed wrap
as the current program.

http://uspacket.org/network/index.php/topic,44.0.html

jim/w4qo

# 1237. NFARES Net Report for 1/23/2011

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2011-01-26 18:51:45 UTC
From: Shelia Staton
Topic: 1237  Message: 1237

There were 15 check-ins to the 1/23/2011 North Fulton ARES Net:

N4SBD Scott (Echolink)
AK4EX Stuart (Echolink)
AD4MC Mike (Echolink)
W4QO Jim
W4CCH Chris
KD9RU Dave
N4SEC Jim
KJ4MIJ Clyde
AJ4NT Matt
AK4CL Dave
N4TOL John
W5JR Mike
KB4KBS Scott
AA4FA Dan
KD4NKE Shelia (Net Control)

The net concluded at 8:45 p.m. The next scheduled net will be on 1/30/2011 at 8:30 p.m. on 147.06 (PL 100).

# 1238. Upcoming Skywarn class

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2011-01-27 17:47:48 UTC
From: w4uoc@aol.com
Topic: 1238  Message: 1238
Attachments: 1 described; binary payloads are missing from this source WARC

DeKalb EMA is sponsoring a Skywarn class on Wednesday, March 2, at 7:00 p.m. in the DeKalb Fire/Rescue Headquarters building at 1950 West Exchange Place, Tucker, GA. This is near the intersection of I-285 and LaVista Road across the interstate from Northlake Shopping Center.

Although the announcement is aimed at DeKalb residents, the EMA has invited all Atlanta metro area ARES members to join this class. Space is limited so if you have any members who would like to attend, please ask them to reserve a spot as soon as possible.

# 1239. North Fulton ARES Net, 1/30/2011, 8:30 pm

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2011-01-29 01:26:35 UTC
From: nfares@yahoogroups.com
Topic: 1239  Message: 1239

Reminder from: nfares Yahoo! Group
http://groups.yahoo.com/group/nfares/cal

North Fulton ARES Net
Sunday January 30, 2011
8:30 pm - 9:30 pm
(This event repeats every week.)
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# 1240. NFARES net control opportunities

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2011-01-29 22:26:52 UTC
From: Matthew Garland
Topic: 1240  Message: 1240

Hello everyone,

The NFARES website has two resources you might find useful for our weekly Sunday night nets:

1. The net control script, available at http://nfares.nfarl.org/nets/scripts/repeater, and
2. The net control schedule, available at http://nfares.nfarl.org/nets/schedules/repeater.

Please email the NFARES list if you would like to try your hand at running a net, find someone to cover your assignment, or volunteer for a regular rotation.

I strongly encourage you to try running a net. With the script in front of you, it's very easy, and everyone on the net will help you through it. The folks that have been doing nets for a long time will be very encouraging, and if you're ever unsure what to do, just ask for help! I guarantee that someone will chime in with exactly what you need.

So, you want to sign up? Great! Just pick a Sunday night net date, reply to the NFARES Yahoo! group, and we'll walk you through the rest. You can do it!

If you've run the net on occasion, and you feel like you have the hang of it, I'd encourage you to look for a spot in the regular rotation. For example, Scott N4SBD is taking up the regular fourth Sunday slot. I'd be happy to offer the fifth Sunday to someone as a low-commitment way to get started, and I bet Mike, Shelia, and Wayne would be willing to share all or part of their regular rotations, too. If you've been looking for a way to get a little more involved in NFARES, reply to the Yahoo! group, and we'll plug you right in!

Matt AJ4NT

# 1241. Re: [nfares] NFARES net control opportunities

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2011-01-29 22:33:53 UTC
From: Mike Cohen
Topic: 1240  Message: 1241

Thanks, Matt, for keeping us all updated on the NFARES site.

Here's the first opportunity for someone to volunteer. I will not be
available to be NCS on Sunday, March 6th, and would appreciate someone
taking that spot for me. I could swap with any of the regulars on the other
nets in March.

73,
Mike - AD4MC

Mike Cohen
770-262-5212

On Sat, Jan 29, 2011 at 5:26 PM, Matthew Garland <cq.aj4nt@...> wrote:

>
>
> Hello everyone,
>
> The NFARES website has two resources you might find useful for our weekly
> Sunday night nets:
>
> 1. The net control script, available at
> http://nfares.nfarl.org/nets/scripts/repeater, and
> 2. The net control schedule, available at
> http://nfares.nfarl.org/nets/schedules/repeater.
>
> Please email the NFARES list if you would like to try your hand at running
> a net, find someone to cover your assignment, or volunteer for a regular
> rotation.
>
>
> I strongly encourage you to try running a net. With the script in front of
> you, it's very easy, and everyone on the net will help you through it. The
> folks that have been doing nets for a long time will be very encouraging,
> and if you're ever unsure what to do, just ask for help! I guarantee that
> someone will chime in with exactly what you need.
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> it, I'd encourage you to look for a spot in the regular rotation. For
> example, Scott N4SBD is taking up the regular fourth Sunday slot. I'd be
> happy to offer the fifth Sunday to someone as a low-commitment way to get

> started, and I bet Mike, Shelia, and Wayne would be willing to share all or
> part of their regular rotations, too. If you've been looking for a way to
> get a little more involved in NFARES, reply to the Yahoo! group, and we'll
> plug you right in!
>
> Matt AJ4NT
>
>
>

# 1242. NFARES 2-meter net, Sunday, January 30, 2011

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2011-01-31 03:29:06 UTC
From: MikeC
Topic: 1242  Message: 1242

We had 15 check-ins on the NFARES 2-meter net, Sunday, January 30, 2011
W4UOC - Tom, Sandy Springs, EC North Fulton
N4SBD - Scott Dunbar, Alpharetta, BP
N4SEC ☐ Jim, Alpharetta, BP
W4CCH ☐ Chris, Woodstock
KI4DSO ☐ George, Norcross
KD9RU ☐ Dave, Milton
N4BTA ☐ Bret, Alpharetta, BP
W4QO - Jim Stafford, Roswell, BP
AA4FA ☐ Dan, Dunwoody, BP
AE4CW ☐ Chuck, E. Cobb
AK4EX ☐ Stuart, Sandy Springs
AJ4NT - Matt, Dekalb
KG5WU, Wayne, Sandy Springs
W5JR ☐ Mike, Milton, Echolink
AD4MC (NCS) ☐ Mike, Sandy Springs, BP

BP = Battery Power

Comments:
Bret, N4BTA:
W4UOC checked in to the ARES 80M voice net today.

The next scheduled net will be Sunday, February 6th. This net closed at 8:51 PM.

73,
Mike - AD4MC
770-262-5212

# 1243. HamCram 2011 Announcement and Registration

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2011-01-31 17:31:18 UTC
From: Mack WB4MAK
Topic: 1243  Message: 1243

North Fulton Amateur Radio League

Winter 2011 "HamCram" Licensing Class (Technician Class)

March 5th , 8:30 AM ☐ 5 PM at Living Science Center

Join a fellow group of highly motivated Amateur Radio Candidates for the Spring 2011 North Fulton Amateur Radio Club - NFARL "HamCram" Class

HamCram is a specially designed single day session that teaches everything needed to become an FCC Licensed Radio Amateur, with official FCC Licensing the same day.

We will show you how you can easily join the exciting Amateur Radio hobby through the use of the course preparation materials, a few practice quizzes, the HamCram class and testing at our in-house test session.

HamCram: Saturday March 5th, 8:30 AM ☐ 5 PM. You must be present for the entire session to take the test.

Anyone under 16 must be accompanied by an adult.

Where: Living Science Center Map: http://tinyurl.com/4p8vh8j <http://tinyurl.com/4p8vh8j>

Cost: $25 which includes the $15 FCC Exam Fee, handouts, and a Pizza Lunch on HamCram Saturday.

Email: hamcram@... <mailto:hamcram@...> Website: http://www.nfarl.org <http://www.nfarl.org/>

Registration: Send an email to hamcram@... <mailto:hamcram@...> to register. Seating will be limited to the first 25 people who register before February 11th.

# 1244. Airmail via AGW Packet Engine

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2011-02-01 04:52:43 UTC
From: n4bta
Topic: 1244  Message: 1244

Great News! Tom Olley sent me a link to a setup that works on XP and VISTA, but not Windows 7.

WL2K Airmail on VHF Packet with a soundcard & interface! The SignaLink sounds as good as my Kam3+ TNC! I have sent & received through WB4NWS-10 and N3DAB-10.

Give it a try: http://www.kc2rlm.info/soundcardpacket/7airmail.htm

Thanks Tom
73,
Bret

# 1245. Fwd: Reported by: North Fulton County EC, Thomas Koch, W4UOC

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2011-02-01 20:54:54 UTC
From: w4uoc@aol.com
Topic: 1245  Message: 1245

Once again you did it...

Thanks

Tom

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From: monthlyreports@...
To: w4uoc@...
Sent: 2/1/2011 3:04:30 P.M. Eastern Standard Time
Subj: Reported by: North Fulton County EC, Thomas Koch, W4UOC

Georgia ARES monthly report for January, 2011
Reported by: North Fulton County EC, Thomas Koch, W4UOC
Report submitted by: KG5WU, Wayne Chapman - OTHER

Total number of ARES members in your group is: 16
Change since last month: 0
Name of your Local ARES Net: North Fulton ARES
Net Frequency: 147.060 + 100.0
Day of the week: Sunday
Time of the Net: 2030L
Total of Nets this month: 6
NTS Liaison: GSN
Drills, Tests and Training sessions: 6
Drills, Tests and Training Man Hours: 68
Public Service Events: 0
Public Service Man Hours: 0
Emergency Operations: 0
Emergency Operations Man Hours: 0
Misc Activities: 8
Misc man hours: 13
TOTAL ARES OPERATIONS: 14
TOTAL ARES MAN HOURS: 81
Comments: • The January NFARES meeting was canceled due to a winter storm event. An additional training net was held instead.
• The 1/11 Digital Net was in place of the regularly scheduled NFARES monthly meeting.

# 1246. North Fulton County ARES Meeting, 2/8/2011, 7:00 pm

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2011-02-02 00:09:25 UTC
From: nfares@yahoogroups.com
Topic: 1246  Message: 1246

Reminder from: nfares Yahoo! Group
http://groups.yahoo.com/group/nfares/cal

North Fulton County ARES Meeting
Tuesday February 8, 2011
7:00 pm - 8:30 pm
(This event repeats every month on the second Tuesday.)
(The next reminder for this event will be sent in 5 days, 23 hours, 50 minutes.)
Location: Sandy Springs City Council Chambers
Street: Morgan Falls Office Park, 7840 Roswell Road Building 500
City State Zip: Sandy Springs, GA 30350

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# 1247. North Fulton ARES Net, 2/6/2011, 8:30 pm

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2011-02-05 01:26:27 UTC
From: nfares@yahoogroups.com
Topic: 1247  Message: 1247

Reminder from: nfares Yahoo! Group
http://groups.yahoo.com/group/nfares/cal

North Fulton ARES Net
Sunday February 6, 2011
8:30 pm - 9:30 pm
(This event repeats every week.)
Location: 147.060 MHz (plus 600kHz) PL 100.0. Backup is 145.470 MHz (minus 600 kHz) PL 100.0

Notes:
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# 1248. Help Needed to Find Noise Source on Roswell Repeater Input

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2011-02-06 17:39:41 UTC
From: Mack WB4MAK
Topic: 1248  Message: 1248

As you may have noticed there is a loud 120 Hz buzzing noise when you key the Roswell 2M repeater 147.06 + (PL 100). We have determined this noise source is NOT located within the repeater shack.

In fact, several of us can hear it when listening on 147.655 MHz around the county(ies).

Please help us locate this source. If you have a directional antenna like a Yagi or Arrow 2M antenna then please do the following:

1. Tune your radio to 147.655 and open the squelch completely. Tune in the highest noise signal. (it moves around a bit)
2. Using your beam or Arrow antenna please take an azimuth (compass reading) to the noise source. Write this number down.
3. Tell us where you are located (address or lat/long)
4. Post your results here

Using this information we can triangulate the noise source and attempt to get it corrected.

The good news is the 2M PA is now repaired and putting out 75 watts of power. We plan to replace the antenna with a DB-224 on the next weekend that has decent weather (no precip, above 60 degrees F). We'll be looking for ground crew help when it's time to do the work.

73,

Mack de WB4MAK

# 1249. Re: Help Needed to Find Noise Source on Roswell Repeater Input

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2011-02-06 20:47:02 UTC
From: Mack WB4MAK
Topic: 1248  Message: 1249

The noise source has be determined to be on Pine Mountain. It stopped before Mike, W5JR, could locate the exact transmitter. We'll be on the lookout for it when it occurs again.

Thanks again to everyone who helped.

73,

Mack de WB4MAK

From: Mack WB4MAK
Sent: Sunday, February 06, 2011 12:39
To: nfares@yahoogroups.com ; nfarl@yahoogroups.com
Subject: Help Needed to Find Noise Source on Roswell Repeater Input

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73,

Mack de WB4MAK

# 1250. Prep for NFARES meeting - Feb. 8

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2011-02-07 20:08:06 UTC
From: Jim Stafford
Topic: 1250  Message: 1250

Folks,

Tuesday night's meeting will focus on using fldigi and its associated
programs to increase our ability to move digital message traffic.

If you plan to attend and wish to here are some things to do beforehand:

1. Go to w1hkj.com and notice a variety of software there from Dave .

2. Click on the "new releases on download page"

3. Download and save the Fldigi/Flarq files for your system.

4. Also, do the same for Flwrap and Flmsg

5. Install these programs in your computer.
You may leave older versions on your computer
as it will not hurt. And the new version seems to
find parts of your config info automatically.

6. When you install, "accept" to put shortcuts on
your desktop.

7. Also, find the folder NBEMS.files under your user name.
This is NOT inside your My Documents filder. Go to your
hard drive, then to "users", then to your user name, and you
should see it. Right click and COPY this folder. Use PASTE
SHORTCUT (by right clicking) over your desktop. There should
be a variety of folders now accessble from this shortcut on your
DESKTOP.

8. You may bring only this laptop to the meeting but you may
wish to bring an HT that you remember how to program to
146.49 simplex (or go ahead and program it there). You may
also wish to bring a microphone for your laptop (this might
include a headset with mic).

Anyway, come with or without any of this done. You'll see
how easy it is to use fldigi and your handheld to send digital
messages.

jim/w4qo

# 1251. NFARES 2-meter net, Sunday, February 6, 2011

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2011-02-07 22:08:39 UTC
From: MikeC
Topic: 1251  Message: 1251

We had 13 check-ins on the NFARES 2-meter net, Sunday, February 6, 2011
W4UOC - Tom, Sandy Springs, EC North Fulton
N4SBD - Scott Dunbar, Alpharetta, BP
W4CCH - Chris, Woodstock
W4QO - Jim Stafford, Roswell, BP
AJ4NT - Matt, Dekalb
AA4FA - Dan, Dunwoody, BP
KG5WU- Wayne, Sandy Springs
N4SEC - Jim, Alpharetta, BP
KD4NKE ☐ Shelia, Sandy Springs
AK4EX ☐ Stuart, Sandy Springs
KJ4MIJ ☐ Clyde, Dunwoody
WB4MAK ☐ Mack, Alpharetta
AD4MC (NCS) ☐ Mike, Sandy Springs, BP

BP = Battery Power

Comments:

W4UOC,
Next Tuesday's NFARES meeting will feature Jim, W4QO, presenting FLGIGI, FLWRAP and FLMSG.

KJ4MIJ,
W4UOC, KJ4MIJ and AD4MC checked in to the GA ARES 80M digital and voice nets today.

WB4MAK,
The 147.06 repeater now has a full functioning 75 PA and will have a replacement antenna installed during the next weeked with accepable weather.

The next scheduled net will be Sunday, February 13th. This net closed at 8:49 PM.

73,
Mike - AD4MC
770-262-5212

# 1252. North Fulton County ARES Meeting, 2/8/2011, 7:00 pm

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2011-02-08 00:08:34 UTC
From: nfares@yahoogroups.com
Topic: 1246  Message: 1252

Reminder from: nfares Yahoo! Group
http://groups.yahoo.com/group/nfares/cal

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Tuesday February 8, 2011
7:00 pm - 8:30 pm
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Location: Sandy Springs City Council Chambers
Street: Morgan Falls Office Park, 7840 Roswell Road Building 500
City State Zip: Sandy Springs, GA 30350

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# 1253. 75th anniversary patches

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2011-02-08 17:27:33 UTC
From: Jim Stafford
Topic: 1253  Message: 1253

Was getting ready for the meeting tonight and came across my email
about the 75th anniversary patches and thought

"Hmmmm, we never got them"

so went to that site and here is what I found:

http://www.tarefund.org/anniversarypatch.htm

March 1...

I have the following on the order:

Christian Kuhtz

Chris Caldwell

Shelia Staton

Jim Payne

Dave Hazell

Jim Stafford

Sorry if I missed you and you wanted one.

jim/w4qo

# 1254. North Fulton ARES Net, 2/13/2011, 8:30 pm

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2011-02-12 01:26:32 UTC
From: nfares@yahoogroups.com
Topic: 1254  Message: 1254

Reminder from: nfares Yahoo! Group
http://groups.yahoo.com/group/nfares/cal

North Fulton ARES Net
Sunday February 13, 2011
8:30 pm - 9:30 pm
(This event repeats every week.)
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# 1255. Congrats on GA ham of the year, Jim..

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2011-02-13 02:12:31 UTC
From: Jim Stafford
Topic: 1255  Message: 1255

Jim Millsaps, WB4NWS

Just read the GA news and saw that you were the recipient at January Forsyth meeting.

Very well deserved as EC of Cherokee County. You have done so much for the team "up there". Keep up the good work.

jim/w4qo

cc: NFARL (this means a lot to me -especially since Jim is a friend and was in one of my classes
back in early 90s for the Tech test!)

# 1256. need ncs report for 2/13

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2011-02-14 23:00:56 UTC
From: Wayne
Topic: 1256  Message: 1256

Who was NCS on Sunday's 2m ARES net?

Please post the check-in list here. Tnx.

73 de Wayne/kg5wu

# 1257. CNC Chatt Chall ?

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2011-02-14 23:14:19 UTC
From: Wayne
Topic: 1257  Message: 1257

Did any NFARES/NFARL people work the CNC Chattahoochee Challenge on Saturday morning 2/12?

If someone has, or can make, a list, I'd like to have it to add to the GA ARES database.

Either post it here or email me privately.

Thanks and 73 de Wayne/kg5wu

# 1258. FLdigi NBEMS

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2011-02-16 16:37:40 UTC
From: David Hazell KD9RU
Topic: 1258  Message: 1258
Attachments: 1 described; binary payloads are missing from this source WARC

I am passing along this information along in case you missed it. I have signed up for the webinar and thought some of you might also want to sign up

Emergency Messaging Webinar February 26

ARRL Atlantic Division Director Bill Edgar, N3LLR, will host a webinar for ARRL members on using Narrow Band Emergency Messaging Software (NBEMS) -- a set of programs used to send messages and files via Amateur Radio using an audio interface. On Saturday, February 26 at 10 AM (EST), NBEMS developers Dave Kleber, KB3FXI, and Western Pennsylvania Assistant Section Emergency Coordinator Harry Bloomberg, W3YJ, will present a two hour webinar that covers NBEMS's advanced features. Learn about the use of NBEMS FLWRAP <http://www.w1hkj.com/Flwrap/index.html> and FLMSG <http://www.w1hkj.com/flmsg-help/index.html> to send and receive spread sheet/database data and form-based messages such as the ICS-213 and NTS/Radiogram forms. Bloomberg and Kleber will also be covering HF digital net procedures and protocols and hope to incorporate a live HF demonstration that will be viewable by all those attending the webinar. Register for this webinar here <https://www1.gotomeeting.com/register/497568192> . -- ARRL Letter

de KD9RU

# 1259. North Fulton ARES Net, 2/20/2011, 8:30 pm

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2011-02-19 01:25:22 UTC
From: nfares@yahoogroups.com
Topic: 1259  Message: 1259

Reminder from: nfares Yahoo! Group
http://groups.yahoo.com/group/nfares/cal

North Fulton ARES Net
Sunday February 20, 2011
8:30 pm - 9:30 pm
(This event repeats every week.)
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# 1260. need ncs report for 2/20

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2011-02-21 17:26:07 UTC
From: Wayne
Topic: 1260  Message: 1260

Who was NCS on Sunday's 2m ARES net?

Please post the check-in list here. Tnx.

73 de Wayne/kg5wu

# 1261. Net Report for 2011-02-20

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2011-02-22 12:16:18 UTC
From: Wayne
Topic: 1261  Message: 1261

NFARES Sunday Night Net
(13 participants) 2011-02-20 30 mins

KD4NKE (NCS) - Shelia Staton
AA4FA - Dan McKenzie
AE4CW - Chuck Catledge
AK4EX - Stuart Williams
K4YJI - Bill Reed
KD9RU - Dave Hazell
KJ4MIJ - Clyde McClain
N4SEC - Jim Paine
W2OKQ - Jim Clark
W4CCH - Chris Caldwell
W4QO - Jim Stafford
W4UOC - Tom Koch
W5JR - Mike Roden

# 1262. North Fulton ARES Net, 2/27/2011, 8:30 pm

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2011-02-26 01:25:12 UTC
From: nfares@yahoogroups.com
Topic: 1262  Message: 1262

Reminder from: nfares Yahoo! Group
http://groups.yahoo.com/group/nfares/cal

North Fulton ARES Net
Sunday February 27, 2011
8:30 pm - 9:30 pm
(This event repeats every week.)
Location: 147.060 MHz (plus 600kHz) PL 100.0. Backup is 145.470 MHz (minus 600 kHz) PL 100.0

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# 1263. POSSIBLE ACTIVATION FOR SANDY SPRINGS WEATHER ALERT COMMUNICATIONS FEB 28, 2011

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2011-02-28 02:40:22 UTC
From: w4uoc@aol.com
Topic: 1263  Message: 1263

I HAVE RECEIVED A MESSAGE FROM CHIEF JEFF SCARBROUGH, SANDY SPRINGS FIRE/RESCUE, ALERTING ME OF THE STRONG POSSABILITY THAT HE MAY BE REQUESTING OUR NFARES ORGANIZATION TO BE PREPARED TO PREFORM A "WINDSHIELD DAMAGE ASSESSMENT" OF THE CITY OF SANDY SPRINGS ROADS.

THE HIGH WINDS ARE EXPECTED TO BE IN THE AREA MID TO LATE AFTERNOON ON FEB 28TH.

A "WINDSHIELD SURVERY" IS SIMILAR TO THE SUPPORT WE PROVIDED TO THE CITY A COUPLE OF YEARS AGO. WE WILL BE PROVIDED WITH A GRID MAP OF THE CITY AND ASKED TO SEND OUR MOBILE UNITS OUT TO REPORT ROADS THAT ARE BLOCKED DUE TO DOWN TREES, POWER LINES OR OTHER DAMAGE THAT CAN BE WITNESSED FROM THE VEHICLE.

IF WE ARE ACTIVATED I WILL ESTABLISH A NET ON THE 147.06 REPEATER UNTIL WE CAN ACTIVATE THE SANDY SPRINGS EOC/911 CENTER STATION.
IF STRONG WINDS OR HEAVY WEATHER COMES INTO THE AREA I WOULD ASK THAT YOU MONITOR THE 147.06 REPEATER FOR ANY POTENTIAL ALERT.

THE SIZE OF EACH GRID OBVIOUSLY WILL BE DETERMINED BY HOW MANY VOLUNTEERS WE HAVE AVAILABLE TO PARTICIPATE IN SUPPORT OF THIS EFFORT.

ASSUMING THAT NORMAL PUBLIC SAFETY COMMUNICATIONS SYSTEMS ARE NOT INTERRUPTED BY THE STORM THERE WILL NOT BE A NEED TO ACTIVATE OUR BACKUP COMMUNICATIONS AT THE INDIVIIDUAL SANDY SPRINGS FIRE STATIONS.

THE REASON WE DO THE ROAD HAZARD SURVEY IS TO ALERT CITY CREWS TO DOWN TREES, ETC AND TO AVOID ROAD HAZARDS CAUSING BLOCKAGES FOR PUBLIC SERVICE SMF EMERGENCY SERVICE VEHICLES. THE COMMAND AND CONTROL STATION/NET CONTROL STATION WILL MOVE TO THE EOC/911 CENTER AS SOON AS WE ARE ALERTED TO ACTIVATE OUR MOBILE UNITS.

I AM ASKING THAT YOU CONTACT ME AS TO YOUR AVAILABILITY AND WILLINGNESS TO PARTICIPATE IN THIS EFFORT BY PROVIDING ME WITH YOUR NAME, PHONE NUMBER AND EMAIL ADDRESS AS SOON AS POSSIBLE EITHER VIA
PHONE 404-314-6109 OR VIA EMIAL TO _W4UOC@..._ (mailto:W4UOC@...)

TOM KOCH - W4UOC
EC NFARES

# 1264. Fwd: Weather Today

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2011-02-28 16:20:08 UTC
From: w4uoc@aol.com
Topic: 1264  Message: 1264

Dr. Greg Forbes with The Weather Channel has advised our area status as a "5" out of a "10" on the Tornado Condition (TOR:CON) index, which means we have a 50% chance of tornado and/or damaging winds this afternoon. Dr. Forbes advised heating in the afternoon will increase severe weather potential and time frame for Atlanta area is indicating around 5-6pm.

Cherokee County Amateur Radio Emergency Service (ARES) members are on standby to provide SKYWARN storm spotter reports to the EOC and support Cherokee County EOC if activated as ESF-2. With the chance of high wind and subsequent power outages, just a reminder to have your emergency power back up ready for communications. Replace your NOAA Weather Radio battery (Midland unit requires 3 AA batteries).

Cherokee ARES will be monitoring the 443.075 (-) 107.2 (Cherokee ARES radio repeater) and 145.270 (-) 100.0 repeaters, located at 2300ft on Pine Log Mountain in Waleska, GA. Please monitor your emails, NOAA or local TV/Radio weather, and our repeaters when you can. ARES members be prepared to provide storm spotter reports from your location via the ham radio repeaters listed above. As the weather approaches, we will establish an informal weather net on the frequencies above.

Thanks,
Jim Millsap-WB4NWS
EC-Cherokee County GA ARES

# 1265. NFARES Rapid Impact Assessment Forms

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2011-02-28 21:25:11 UTC
From: w4uoc@aol.com
Topic: 1265  Message: 1265
Attachments: 4 described; binary payloads are missing from this source WARC

Attached is a file containing four forms entitled Rapid Imact Assessment Forms. These forms were provide by Chief Jeff Scarbrough, Sandy Springs EMA Director.

Print out two or three copies of each of the forms as they will be used to report hazards
we will be requested to report if activated for the current or future weather related deployment.

Put copies of these reports in your vehicle for future uses.

We will discuss these forms at our next NFARES meeting as well.

If we are activated prior to that meeting you will receive instructions as to their use by the net control station.

Tom Koch - W4UOC
EC - North Fulton ARES

# 1266. North Fulton County ARES Meeting, 3/8/2011, 7:00 pm

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2011-03-02 00:11:42 UTC
From: nfares@yahoogroups.com
Topic: 1266  Message: 1266

Reminder from: nfares Yahoo! Group
http://groups.yahoo.com/group/nfares/cal

North Fulton County ARES Meeting
Tuesday March 8, 2011
7:00 pm - 8:30 pm
(This event repeats every month on the second Tuesday.)
(The next reminder for this event will be sent in 5 days, 23 hours, 48 minutes.)
Location: Sandy Springs City Council Chambers
Street: Morgan Falls Office Park, 7840 Roswell Road Building 500
City State Zip: Sandy Springs, GA 30350

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# 1267. You might be an Amateur Radio Operator, if!

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2011-03-03 02:51:17 UTC
From: w4uoc@aol.com
Topic: 1267  Message: 1267

You might be (and probably are) an Amateur Radio operator, if:

1. You have bought black electrical tape in ten packs.
2. You have stripped wire with your teeth.
3. You have told your child, "One day, all this will be yours," and he or she did not respond at all.
4. You would rather help another Ham friend to hook up new equipment, or to put up a new tower, than to mow your own lawn.
5. You have grabbed the wrong end of a hot soldering iron.
6. You have gotten an RF burn from your own antenna.
7. You have given out RST reports while you were on the telephone.
8. When the microphones or visual aids at a meeting did not work, you rushed up to the front to fix them.
9. You have told the XYL, when she noticed a new rig in the shack, "Why, that has been there for years."
10. You have set your watch to UTC only.
11. You have had to patch your roof after an antenna project fell onto it.
12. You have put a GPS tracker in the XYL's car or on the riding mower, just so you could watch it on APRS.
13. You have tapped out "CQ" or "HI" on the car horn in Morse Code to another Ham.
14. Your teenager has refused to ride in your car because it looks like a porcupine.
15. You know the Latitude, Longitude, and Elevation of your home QTH.
16. You have gone into the local Radio Shack store, and the store clerk has asked you where something is and how it works.
17. You have answered the telephone with your call sign, and then finished the conversation with "73" and your call sign.
18. You have looked for antennas, radios, and Morse Code in movies and television shows.
19. When you look at anything made of wire or metal tubing, you wonder if it could be used as an antenna.
20. Your call sign is listed on one or more of your hats, T-shirts, or other garments.
21. You regularly carry one or more tools in your pockets at any given time.

22. When any kinds of batteries go on sale, you get really excited.
23. When you look at a barbecue grill, it creates ideas about ground plane antennas.
24. You have designated all your friends as Hams or Non-Hams.

25. You have referred to your Ham friends by their call sign suffixes instead of their real names.
26. You have intentionally confused Non-Hams by telling them that the only things you talk about on the air are pork products.
27. You have intentionally scared Non-Hams with the word "RADIATION"!
28. You have looked at telephone poles and power line towers as potential antenna supports.
29. You have thought you were still hearing CW, SSB, or SSTV tones, even when your Ham radio was off.
30. Your Go-Bag has more clothes in it than your dresser does.
31. You have a SKYWARN sticker on your back window.
32. Your significant other sits in the back seat, and your radios ride in the front.
33. Your neighbors wonder if you are a "Narc" (narcotics officer), a Spy, or
a Federal Agent.
34. The cops pull you over because they want to see the inside of your car.
35. Your cell-phone's ring tone is your Ham radio call sign, sent in Morse Code

# 1268. North Fulton ARES Net, 3/6/2011, 8:30 pm

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2011-03-05 01:26:32 UTC
From: nfares@yahoogroups.com
Topic: 1268  Message: 1268

Reminder from: nfares Yahoo! Group
http://groups.yahoo.com/group/nfares/cal

North Fulton ARES Net
Sunday March 6, 2011
8:30 pm - 9:30 pm
(This event repeats every week.)
Location: 147.060 MHz (plus 600kHz) PL 100.0. Backup is 145.470 MHz (minus 600 kHz) PL 100.0

Notes:
Please remember that both repeaters now require a PL tone of 100.0 Hz

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# 1269. New ARES Member

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2011-03-06 13:54:20 UTC
From: w4uoc@aol.com
Topic: 1269  Message: 1269

NFARES,

Just wanted to let you know that Chief Jeff Scarbrough is now a licensed amateur radio operator after passing his technician test on Saturday. I don't know his call yet but hopefully he may join us Tuesday evening, March 8 for the NFARES meeting.

Congratulations to Chief Scarbrough !!!

Tom Koch

# 1270. March 8, 2011 NFARES Meeting Agenda

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2011-03-06 17:33:18 UTC
From: w4uoc@aol.com
Topic: 1270  Message: 1270

The North Fulton Amateur Radio Emergency Service meeting will be held at the City of Sandy Springs City Council Training Room starting at 7:00 p.m. on Tuesday, March 8th. The meeting room is in Building 500 of the in the Morgan Falls Office Complex, located just north west of the intersection of Morgan Falls and Roswell Road. Some meet for lunch at Tijuana Joe's restaurant, just north of the city complex.

You do not have to be an official member of ARES to attend our meetings or participate in our nets!

The agenda for this meeting will include:

Chief Jeff Scarbrough of the Sandy Springs Fire/Rescue Department will introduce and familiarize our group with the new "Rapid Impact Assessment Form" that we are being asked to use in any future hazard assessment activities we may be asked use if deployed for an emergency. By the way, Chief Scarbrough is now a newly licensed amateur radio operator as a result of last Saturday's Ham Cram.

Bret Arnold - N4BTA will introduce our group to a new software defined packet program that will allow any amateur with an interface, such as a SignaLink to operate VHF/UHF packet and access local RMS packet winlink connections thru various metro packet relay sites.

Following the regular meeting we will have various members of our group available to help set up FLdigi, FLmsg and FLwrap on laptops for those that have commented that they need some individual help in configuring their equipment.

Additional reminders:

Your are encouraged to check into the Georgia ARES digital net every Sunday afternoon starting at 4:30 p.m. on 3.583 MHz for the BPSK 31 digital net. The check in procedure is as follows : NCS call, your call, your call, name, ARES affiliation and "Traffic or No Traffic", K

The Georgia ARES ssb net follows on 3975 at 5:00 p.m. again wait for the Net Control Station (NCS) to call for your station following the check in of the Georgia ARES Officers, EOCs, ECs and then individual stations by call prefix.

The North Fulton ARES net will as usual be conducted on the 147.06 + 100hz repeater starting at 8:30 p.m. followed by the NFARES digital net using MT-63 1000 following the closing of the voice net on the same repeater. If for any reason the 147.06 repeater is down the net will be conducted on the 145.47 - 100hz repeater.

Tom Koch - W4UOC
EC - North Fulton Amateur Radio Emergency Service

# 1271. 147.06 back on the air

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2011-03-06 21:37:41 UTC
From: Mack McCormick
Topic: 1271  Message: 1271

The 147.06 repeater is back on the air. The power supply that feeds the PA had failed. The cause was a bad rectifier diode. We replaced the power supply and everything seems to be working normally.

A special thanks go to Bob KI4SBL and Fred N4CLA for all their help.

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73,

Mack de W4AX

# 1272. HOUSE BILL HR-670 URGENT RESPONSE NEEDED

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2011-03-06 22:36:49 UTC
From: w4uoc@aol.com
Topic: 1272  Message: 1272

I HAVE JUST SENT THIS MESSAGE TO MY US REPRESENTATIVE TOM PRICE. I WOULD SUGGEST YOU DO THE SAME. GO TO THE ARRL WEBSITE AND YOU WILL FIND GUIDANCE TO SEND A SIMILAR LETTER TO YOUR HOUSE REPRESENTATIVE. WE ARE UNDER ATTACK TO LOOSE OUR 70 cm BLOCK OF FREQUENCIES TO THE GOVERNMENT PUBLIC SERVICE AGENCIES.

TOM KOCH

As a voter in your district and as one of the nearly 700,000 federally licensed Amateur Radio operators across the nation, I ask that you oppose H.R. 607, the "Broadband for First Responders Act of 2011" in its current form. H.R. 607 was introduced by Congressman Peter King (R-NY) and referred to the House Committee on Energy and Commerce.

H.R. 607 proposes to allocate the "D-Block" of frequencies (frequencies previously occupied by analog television) to be developed into an interoperable Public Safety wireless network. Earlier, it had been expected that the D-Block would be auctioned by the FCC for commercial use, but there is now substantial support for the allocation of the D-Block to Public Safety. H.R. 607 also provides for the reallocation of other spectrum for auction to commercial users, in order to offset the loss of revenue anticipated by the auction of the D-Block.

While I strongly support the work of the Public Safety officials who put their lives on the line for our safety, my opposition to the bill stems from the inclusion of the 420-440 MHz spectrum (the UHF 70-cm band) as part of a frequency swap and auction. Very little of this spectrum is allocated to Public Safety, and only in very limited areas. Rather, it is allocated to government radiolocation services on a primary basis, with Amateur Radio allocated on a secondary basis. The Federal government uses this band for critical defense purposes, including Pave Paws radars for detecting surface-launched missiles aimed at the United States, and for airborne radars used for drug interdiction. The Amateur Service carefully coordinates its uses of this band to insure compatibility. The two services have a very good record of sharing this spectrum successfully, putting it to good use for both military and civilian purposes in the national interest.

Amateur radio emergency communication relies heavily on our limited frequency allocations in the VHF and UHF radio bands. The loss of access to the 420-440 MHz spectrum would make it very difficult for us to maintain this capability and would mean we could no longer use numerous systems that have been constructed on our own time and at personal expense to provide this important communications support.

Amateur Radio operators across the country repeatedly demonstrate our commitment to public service and emergency communications. Through our work

with FEMA and other Homeland Security activities, state and local Emergency Management offices, and numerous charitable relief agencies, volunteer Amateur Radio operators assist the first responders, doing so at no cost to the agencies we support. The role of the Amateur Radio Service as a partner to Public Safety in providing supporting public service and emergency communications necessitates our retention of full access to the entire 70-cm band.

As recent as last year our North Fulton Amateur Radio Emergency Service (NFARES) provided back up communications for the cities of Sandy Springs and Johns Creek during the switch over from the Fulton County 911 system to the new Chat/Comm 911 center that serves these two cities. We are on a standby basis to dispatch fire/rescue and police voice and/or digital text communication if the commercial communications equipment experiences any interruptions failures.

Our NFARES organization supports in addition to the cities of Sandy Springs, Johns Creek, three additional cities to include Roswell, Alpharetta and Milton as well as Northside Hospital, Emory Johns Creek Hospital and North Fulton Hospital. Equipment used in this support is purchased at the expense of the amateur radio operators that provide this service and if the 70cm band is removed from our use this privately funded equipment will become unusable!

As an Amateur, I understand and support that Public Safety officials must have the spectrum they need to do their jobs. However, it is not necessary to do so in the ill-conceived manner proposed in this bill. Other pending legislation provides for this important goal to be realized without the proposed reallocation of non-Public Safety spectrum for commercial auction that is included in H.R. 607. I urge you to oppose H.R. 607 in its current form. Thank you for your consideration.

Thomas E Koch - W4UOC
8170 Habersham Waters Road
Sandy Springs, GA 30350-4612
404-314-6109
Emergency Coordinator - North Fulton Amateur Radio Emergency Service

# 1273. North Fulton County ARES Meeting, 3/8/2011, 7:00 pm

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2011-03-08 00:09:43 UTC
From: nfares@yahoogroups.com
Topic: 1266  Message: 1273

Reminder from: nfares Yahoo! Group
http://groups.yahoo.com/group/nfares/cal

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# 1274. A reminder to NFARES NCS folks

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2011-03-08 13:38:50 UTC
From: Wayne
Topic: 1274  Message: 1274

Please post the Sunday night NFARES net log to this group.

The info gets summarized at the end of each month and is reported to the GA ARES organization.

I want to make sure we get credit for our participation. Your assistance is greatly appreciated.

Thanks.. and 73 de Wayne / kg5wu

# 1275. KK4ATX

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2011-03-10 22:58:02 UTC
From: w4uoc@aol.com
Topic: 1275  Message: 1275

Chief Jeff Scarbrough's new call is KK4ATX.

Congratulations Jeff.

Tom Koch

Call Sign KK4ATX Radio Service HA - Amateur
Status Active Auth Type Regular
Dates
Grant 03/10/2011 Expiration 03/10/2021
Effective 03/10/2011 Cancellation

Licensee Information

FRN 0020675476 Type Individual
Licensee Name
Scarbrough, Jeff T
7080 Valley Landing Ct
Cumming, GA 30041

# 1276. Re: Field Day 2011

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2011-03-11 20:10:15 UTC
From: w4uoc@aol.com
Topic: 1276  Message: 1276

Ian,

For the most part our NFARES membership is primarily made up of NFARL members as well.
What would you want to do? Maybe demonstrations of EmComm digital message transmission of
ICS and ARRL form/data? May be using both analog and D/Star digital modes.

Why don't you come to the next NFARES meeting and make your pitch?

Tom

In a message dated 3/11/2011 2:19:58 P.M. Eastern Standard Time,
ak4ik.ian@... writes:

Tom,

I'm writing to you as NFARL Field Day Chairman. At the last NFARL Field Day team meeting, we were discussing the goals and purposes of Field Day. As the primary purpose of Field Day is an EmComm practice/demonstration, we would like to invite North Fulton ARES to participate in Field Day with the North Fulton Amateur Radio League, with the possibility of making this a joint event. Would there be interest in your membership (and I am aware that there is a high degree of overlap between our two memberships) in participating in Field Day with us, and maybe taking a leadership role in one of our stations?

Thanks and 73,

Ian, AK4IK

# 1277. North Fulton ARES Net, 3/13/2011, 8:30 pm

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2011-03-12 00:25:26 UTC
From: nfares@yahoogroups.com
Topic: 1277  Message: 1277

Reminder from: nfares Yahoo! Group
http://groups.yahoo.com/group/nfares/cal

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# 1278. National Hurricane Conference

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2011-03-12 13:19:39 UTC
From: w4uoc@aol.com
Topic: 1278  Message: 1278

From: "Hartlage, Andrea L" <_andrea.hartlage@..._
(mailto:andrea.hartlage@...) >
Date: March 10, 2011 11:58:06 PM EST
To: _w4aql-members@..._
(mailto:w4aql-members@...)
Subject: [w4aql-members] National Hurricane Conference

Hi all,

I just wanted to let you know that a flyer and all the details about the
National Hurricane Conference Workshop, to be held in our MSE building on
April 18, are now online at
_http://www.southeastern.arrl.org/NHC_Events_Flyer2011.pdf_
(http://www.southeastern.arrl.org/NHC_Events_Flyer2011.pdf)
(flyer) and
_http://www.southeastern.arrl.org/2011NationalHurricaneConferenceActivities.pdf_
(http://www.southeastern.arrl.org/2011NationalHurricaneConferenceActivities.pdf) (detailed
information). The Georgia Tech Amateur Radio
Club is helping to sponsor (and host) the event, so I wanted to make sure
you all are aware that it will be taking place.

Both of these links are on our ARRL Southeastern Division website under “
National Hurricane Conference.” You will be hearing more from our division
director, Greg Sarratt and I as April approaches, but please feel free to
begin promoting it on campus and to any hams you know. It's an excellent
opportunity for ham radio to build good relationships with emergency
management, so the more people we have, the better. The detailed information can be
easily copied and pasted into an e-mail as you see fit, since it is all
text. Please let me know if you have questions.

Thank you and 73,

Andrea Hartlage, KG4IUM

ARRL Southeastern Division Vice-Director
W4AQL Vice-President

# 1279. NFARES 2-meter net, Sunday, March 13, 2011

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2011-03-14 16:06:57 UTC
From: MikeC
Topic: 1279  Message: 1279

We had 16 check-ins on the NFARES 2-meter net, Sunday, March 13, 2011
W4UOC - Tom, Sandy Springs, EC North Fulton, BP
W5JR ☐ Mike, Milton EchoLink
KD9RU, Dave, Milton
K4YJI, Bill, E. Cobb, BP
N4JDO, Marty, E. Cobb
N4SBD - Scott Dunbar, Alpharetta, BP
N4SEC - Jim, Alpharetta, BP
KG5WU- Wayne, Sandy Springs, BP
AE4CW, Chuck, E. Cobb
AJ4NT - Matt, Dunwoody
W4QO - Jim Stafford, Roswell, BP
KD4NKE ☐ Shelia, Sandy Springs
KJ4MIJ ☐ Clyde, Dunwoody
N7QPP, Joe, Johns Creek
AK4EX ☐ Stuart, Sandy Springs
AD4MC (NCS) ☐ Mike, Sandy Springs, BP

BP = Battery Power

Comments:
KJ4MIJ reported on the GA ARES 80M nets;
KJ4MIJ checked in to digital and voice nets.
W4UOC checked into the WINMOR and digital nets.
K4YJI checked into the digital net.

The next scheduled net will be Sunday, March 20th. This net closed at 8:45 PM.

73,
Mike - AD4MC
404-981-8624

# 1280. Sandy Springs Volunteer Appreciation Day

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2011-03-14 19:43:33 UTC
From: w4uoc@aol.com
Topic: 1280  Message: 1280

This is a reminder for the Volunteer Appreciation Day the City Manager has set up for you all. Please make an effort to attend and show your support for the NFARES and CERT Programs. The information is below, feel free to contact me if needed.
You might wear your ARES or CERT vest if you want.
Tom Koch - W4UOC - EC - North Fulton Amateur Radio Emergency Service (NFARES)
Tuesday, March 15, 2011 at 5:00pm
7840 Roswell Rd Bldg 500, Sandy Springs, GA
Thanks,

# 1281. HM 95 Mic

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2011-03-14 22:10:15 UTC
From: Lenward Corley
Topic: 1281  Message: 1281

Does anyone in the club have a HM95 mic for Icom IC2350H that I may borrow to check my radio? I only need it for a short time. Or does any one have one for sale.
Contact me off list at w4cor@... or call 770-475-4283
Thanks
Len
w4cor

# 1282. ARRL ARES E-Letter

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2011-03-16 11:32:18 UTC
From: w4uoc@aol.com
Topic: 783  Message: 1282

March 16, 2011
Editor: _Rick Palm, K1CE_ (mailto:k1ce@...)

_ARES E-Letter Archive_ (http://www.arrl.org/FandES/field/ares-el/)
_ARES Home_ (http://www.arrl.org/FandES/field/pscm/sec1-ch1.html)
_ARRL Home Page_ (http://www.arrl.org/)

(http://www.arrl.org/nladclick.php?n=ae&i=2011-03-16&t=t)
Japan Earthquake
We've all seen the horrific images of the devastation in Japan. Our hearts go out to the people of that country in their time of dire need. For information on the Amateur Radio response: _Japan Asks Radio Amateurs to Keep Frequencies Clear As Country Goes into Recovery Mode after Devastating Earthquake_ (http://www.arrl.org/news/japan-asks-radio-amateurs-to-keep-frequencies-clear-as-country-goes-into-recovery-mode-after-devasta) on the ARRL Web site.
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2011 National Hurricane Conference Amateur Radio Activities
The _National Hurricane Conference_ (http://www.hurricanemeeting.com/) will be held April 18-22, at the Hyatt Regency hotel in Atlanta, Georgia. There will be several Amateur Radio activities going on during the week. The National Hurricane Conference leadership recognizes the valuable contribution of Amateur Radio and has again invited us to participate with two sessions. This is always a great opportunity for Amateur Radio.
On Monday, April 18, from 1:30 pm to 5:00 pm, the main Amateur Radio session titled "Amateur Radio Training Sessions: Disaster Communications Before,

During and After Hurricanes" will be held.
On Tuesday, April 19, from 8:30 am to 10:00 am, an Amateur Radio session designed for Emergency Management agencies titled "Amateur Radio Rap Session --The Emergency Manager's Hidden Resource" will take place. All radio amateurs are invited at no cost to attend these National Hurricane Conference Amateur Radio sessions.
On Monday evening, April 18, from 7:00 pm to 9:00 pm, the ARRL Southeastern Division, the Georgia Tech Amateur Radio Club, Atlanta Radio Club, and several local ARES groups will host an interactive, free "NHC Workshop" for ARES and other interested Amateur Radio operators. Participants will be able to meet other like-minded radio amateurs and the presenters of the Hurricane Conference Amateur Radio sessions. The agenda: introductions, conference presenters summarize the NHC Amateur Radio presentations, emergency communications discussion, questions and answers, and door prizes.
Whether or not you are able to attend the conference during the day, you are invited to this event to hear from and meet the conference presenters and learn what went on at the conference. This workshop will be held on Georgia Tech's campus at Building 167, the Molecular Science and Engineering Building, in room G011. See the _campus map_ (http://gtalumni.org/map/) .
For additional information see:
_National Hurricane Conference_ (http://www.hurricanemeeting.com/)
_2011 National Hurricane Conference Brochure PDF_ (http://www.hurricanemeeting.com/Documents/2011%20NHC%20Brochure.pdf)
_National Hurricane Conference Flyer_ (http://www.southeastern.arrl.org/NHC_Events_Flyer2011.pdf)
_ARRL Southeastern Division_ (http://www.southeastern.arrl.org/)
Hurricane Conference presenters are:
Julio Ripoll, WD4R, WX4NHC Amateur Radio Assistant Coordinator, _National Hurricane Center_ (http://www2.fiu.edu/orgs/w4ehw/)
John McHugh, K4AG, Coordinator for Amateur Radio, National Hurricane Center, WX4NHC
Rob Macedo, KD1CY, Director of Operations for the _VoIP Hurricane Net_ (http://www.voipwx.net/) and ARRL Section Emergency Coordinator, Eastern Massachusetts
Dennis Dura, K2DCD, Assistant Director of Operations for the VoIP Hurricane Net
Greg Sarratt, W4OZK, ARRL Southeastern Division Director
We encourage you to visit all the activities you can, learn more about Amateur Radio emergency communications and meet the people doing it. Hope to see you there! -- Greg Sarratt, W4OZK, ARRL Southeastern Division Director and Andrea Hartlage, KG4IUM, ARRL Southeastern Division Vice Director (http://www.arrl.org/nladclick.php?n=ae&t=i&i=2011-03-16&p=0)
Twitter, Other Methodologies for ARES Alerting
South Carolina
Greenville County, South Carolina ARES has been using _Twitter_ (http://www.twitter.com/) for group alerts for a couple of years. County EC Johnny Allison, WD4DYH, and I set up a greenvilleares account on Twitter for this purpose only.
There are a few things that must be done for this to work. Your group user must NOT "follow" any other user so only YOUR posts are on the account's

page. Anyone interested in getting the alerts from your group on their cell phone or other mobile device must set up a Twitter account and "follow" your ARES group. In the Twitter setup, there is a "mobile" option that allows you to receive alerts on your mobile device. You can turn this feature on or off for the entire account or you can select which users you are following whose posts will be forwarded to your mobile messaging. In my case, my wife's posts and the ARES group posts are the only ones I elect to forward to my phone. The options on the "mobile" tab are self-explanatory.

We run a test on the first of every month to make sure that the group is receiving the alerts, and so far each time we have needed it for real alerts, it has worked. Most alerts instruct the group to tune to our local 2-meter repeater, since you can't give a lot of info in 140 characters! We do have a fairly small group, but anyone can follow @greenvilleares to see how we operate it. -- Robert Martin, WA4HRK, Easley, South Carolina, Greenville ARES

Other Alerting Methodologies

While Twitter is certainly the easiest of the social networks to use, it's not the only thing going. Benefits of Twitter include NO smart phone required, one SMS to the team (and the world), and tracking keywords, for example: #Altus would get an SMS when that keyword #Altus is sent.

_Google Latitude_ (http://latitude.google.com/) is great for tracking operators around the field (like APRS) but with very limited messaging capability.

I like _FourSquare_ (http://www.foursquare.com/) because you can notify only your friends or your friends and Twitterland or no one, when you update. I also use _LOOPT_ (http://www.loopt.com/) for messaging and tracking some of my family. You can use it (like FourSquare) without setting up Twitter accounts. Loopt also works with Facebook.

Facebook, while I've had concerns about their ability to keep my data secure, offers private pages that only members can join. Our SKYWARN group here has a SKYWARN Page (search Altus SKYWARN).

Set up an e-mail list on _YahooGroups_ (http://groups.yahoo.com/) or _GoogleGroups_ (http://groups.google.com/) . Have the user subscribe. Let them decide how they want to get their information; for example, by e-mail and/or text to phone. One e-mail goes to all 60 of our subscribers. It's free of fees or charges. If you do this, have more than one moderator. While the user can change their own information, my experience shows that some won't.

One caveat to social media (and FourSquare) is that, if the team is using it, the team must set-up one account for team use and another account for personal use. In other words, the team must decide what service to use and strictly use only it. When I start posting personal stuff on the team account, it will quickly reduce the benefit.

I have used _CallingPost_ (http://www.callingpost.com/) , a prepaid service good for small groups. The benefit for small groups is their pricing is under $25 for 200 calls. The detractor is there's no way to call out from midnight to 0600. As a volunteer, I have experienced only three times in ten years when that was a problem. Register _online _ (http://www.callingpost.com%20/) and use the referral code 8002197092 for 10 free calls. The referral code is the same as their tollfree number.

The City of Altus uses _Blackboard Connect. _
(http://www.blackboard.com/Platforms/Connect/Products/Blackboard-Connect.aspx) If the ARES group would
contact their local emergency management office, it may be possible to
piggyback on the City or County users account. Blackboard may offer a competitive
product for small groups. Contact them at 800-213-7168. -- Lloyd Colston,
KC5FM, Director, _Altus Emergency Management_
(http://www.cityofaltus.org/) , Altus, Oklahoma
N5FDL: Ten Sure-Fire Ways to Grow Your ARES Group
This month, I'll share some simple ideas for growing your ARES group. You
can probably implement most or all of them.
Location - Having a great location is one of the keys to success of ARES
groups. Among the most important things a served agency can provide to your
group is a place to hold meetings and events. Finding places to "do things"
was the most difficult part of getting our group started. Now that we are
established, it isn't a problem--but, we are careful to provide special
support to the groups that support our program by providing meeting locations.

Dinner Meetings - If you haven't considered holding dinner meetings, you
should. I was initially reluctant because of the expense to members. I
didn't want anyone to avoid our meetings because they couldn't afford an
expensive meal or would be unable to find something to eat at the restaurant I
chose. One way to handle this is to separate mealtime from program time or
select a restaurant that is OK with someone just ordering a cup of coffee.
This has not turned out to be a problem. Dinner meetings can keep groups alive
when non-dinner meetings will not.
HamCrams - Creating new, emergency-minded hams may be the best way to grow
your group and goes hand-in-hand with the next item. One-day licensing
classes don't teach someone how to be a ham, but the license makes someone
trainable and worth investing in.
Make Friends - I am a big proponent of linking ARES to _Community
Emergency Response Team_ (http://www.citizencorps.gov/cert/) (CERT) groups, church
emergency preparedness, Scouts and anyone else who we can help get a
license. I don't expect these people to become "ham first" volunteers, but they
add significantly to the number of trained persons we can call upon. And
some really do get interested in Amateur Radio as a primary hobby.
Don't Say No to People Who Want to Make You Look Good - If someone has an
idea that will make your ARES group look good, by all means let them. Good
judgment matters--the person has to actually be able to deliver, but make
it known you are open to good ideas that aren't your own. And bask in the
glow of their success. This is where future leaders come from.
Be more than just an ARES group - There is, I am led to believe, more to
ham radio than emergency stuff. We've licensed lots of HamCram folks and it
is a fair complaint that we don't teach them enough radio. So, I've
developed events that combine emergency training with other ham activities, like
antennas, DXing, and contesting. Just did the first one.
Stay in touch - I use a variety of tools to keep in touch with our
members, would-be members, inactive members, area clubs and other groups. I have
websites (_sjham.com_ (http://www.sjham.com/) and _n5fdl.com_
(http://www.n5fdl.com/) ), multiple free _Yahoo Groups_ (http://groups.yahoo.com/) and

have recently begun using a mailing service to distribute newsletters. I am using _madmimi.com_ (http://www.madmimi.com/) , though _mailchimp.com_ (http://www.mailchimp.com/) looks like a good option and offers small mailings for free and a discount for non-profits (including ARES groups). All handle subscriptions and unsubscriptions automatically.
Do Something - This seems obvious, but the more you do the more involved your members will be and the more people you will be exposed to. You will probably have to invest in some small events before attendance picks up. Accept that it may only be you and three friends to begin with, but consistency leads to growth. Take advantage of opportunities that present themselves to tie-in with other people's events and turn them into your own. Field trips to events in nearby cities are an opportunity to involve your members. Training offered by other groups, such as ICS classes, are another opportunity.
Watch for Inflection Points - This is when your program reaches "critical mass" that presents opportunities to do things that were not possible previously, such as adding served agencies or new programs. This deserves more discussion in a future post. Just be aware when the "next big thing" becomes possible. Think big.
This isn't a growth strategy per se, but it is often much easier to hold on to an existing member or reenergize an inactive one than to bring someone totally new into your group. Interest ebbs and flows. Accept this but always remain in touch so that when someone's interest returns you're ready to welcome him or her back. (Eventually this may happen to you - the topic for a future essay).
How have you grown your group? Let me hear from you! E-mail: _n5fdl@..._ (mailto:n5fdl@...) . Visit my blog at _n5fdl.com_ (http://www.n5fdl.com/) . -- David Coursey, N5FDL, EC San Joaquin County (CA)
(http://www.arrl.org/nladclick.php?n=ae&t=i&i=2011-03-16&p=1)
Spectrum Management Bill Threatens Amateur Frequencies
On February 10, Representative Peter King (R-NY-3), Chairman of the House Homeland Security Committee, introduced HR 607, the Broadband for First Responders Act of 2011. The bill been referred to the House Energy and Commerce Committee, which handles telecommunications legislation. HR 607 addresses certain spectrum management issues, including the creation and maintenance of a nationwide Public Safety broadband network. As part of that network, the bill provides for the allocation of the so-called "D-Block" of spectrum in the 700 MHz range for Public Safety use.
The D-Block consists of two, 5 megahertz-wide segments of spectrum (758-763 and 788-793 MHz) that became available when the FCC ended analog television broadcasts in June 2009 and reallocated the 698-806 MHz band for Public Safety and commercial broadband. It was anticipated that the D-Block would be auctioned for commercial use. There are several bills in Congress providing for the allocation of the D-Block for Public Safety use, and HR 607 is one of those. But HR 607 uniquely provides for the reallocation of other spectrum for auction to commercial users, in order to offset the loss of revenue that would occur as the result of the allocation of the D-Block to Public Safety instead of commercial auction. HR 607 lists the paired bands of 420-440 MHz and 450-470 MHz among the bands to be reallocated for commercial auction within 10 years of its passage. More _here_

(http://www.arrl.org/news/spectrum-management-bill-threatens-amateur-frequencies) . - ARRL Letter

Celebrated Tampa Bay Area EM Retires

Larry Gispert, KR4X, recently retired as the Director of Emergency Management for the County of Hillsborough, Florida (Tampa Bay area). His contributions have seen him take on leadership positions in regional, state and national emergency management organizations. He has been a presenter at major national conferences around the country and in Washington, DC.

The Hillsborough Board of County Commissioners recently presented Gispert with a proclamation for his work. He was commended for his straight talk approach when dealing with Emergency Management issues. The local media regarded him as a jewel for real information. When the local world seemed to be coming apart, Gispert could always be relied upon to be the calm in the storm.

Gispert's four years as a Radioman in the U.S. Coast Guard made him an avid CW operator. He is a member of the Radio Association of North Tampa (RANT) and the Tampa Amateur Radio Club (TARC).

Professionally, Gispert had fully integrated Amateur Radio into all aspects of the EOC's operations. He was in the vanguard of implementing digital emergency radio networks in Florida. In retirement, Gispert intends to remain radio active, operating and experimenting. Here is a YouTube _video_ (http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=MrYbtirv7XE) about Gispert. - Pete Kemp, KZ1Z, Wesley Chapel, Florida

(http://www.arrl.org/nladclick.php?n=ae&t=i&i=2011-03-16&p=2)

Northern Florida Adds D-RAT Reflector

A new _D-RAT_ (http://www.d-rats.com/) reflector has been added to the digital emergency communications assets of the ARRL Northern Florida section, reports Section Manager Paul Eakin, KJ4G: "We are happy to announce that in Tallahassee, a team of amateurs have installed the D-Rat reflector for ARES use in emergencies and for general amateur use at all other times." The new system is set up for use on the Internet and over the air on the K4WAK D-Star repeater.

The asset provides both mobile and Internet operators with the ability to communicate among one another, along with the Florida State EOC station. In the next few weeks, an e-mail function will be established to coincide with Winlink 2000 systems for both mobile operators and Internet users. The file transfer function is available now.

Two servers were installed, one being made public and a back up that can be activated if needed. The Florida EOC is equipped to handle full time service both on the local D-Star repeater and on the Internet with local ARES volunteers.

This system augments other data assets in the northern part of the state: _APRS_ (http://www.aprs.org/) , _SEDAN_ (http://www.fla-sedan.com/) , and _W2K_ (http://www.winlink.org/) .

The multi-server system is being made available to all three ARRL sections in Florida and to neighbors in Georgia and Alabama for mutual assistance planning and operations. In an emergency, any section or district outside of the three states can notify the administrator of their needs and use the reflector.

The system employs the latest version of D-Rats found at

_http://d-rats.com/download/beta_ (http://d-rats.com/download/beta) with this version to be
used: d-rats-0.3.3b5-installer.exe.
Eakin thanked the Florida State EOC staff for their support and
contributions to this project, as well as others who have made it possible. Special
thanks went to Dan Smith, KK7DS, for his hard work in the design and
implementation of this service.
Help Wanted: Training Topics for N5FDL
I have been wanting to do some short recorded and scripted "training
topics" that people could use on ARES nets. I want to call them "The ARES
Minute" and have them run about two minutes. I have been stuck on what topics I
should do in the first batch of ten programs. Can readers suggest ideas that
I can get started on? Each needs to be easy to describe in one sentence
and teach in 90 seconds. Help! - _David Coursey, N5FDL_
(mailto:n5fdl@...) , EC San Joaquin ARES, California
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currently available, including the most recent recording of the February
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is voiced by Tony Riggs, W1FHN. Brown was licensed in 1966. He was a member
of the White House Press Corps before retiring from the International
Broadcasting Bureau/Voice of America (IBB/VOA). Licensed since 1955, Riggs has
worked in both the commercial and public broadcasting venues. He retired
after 21 years as a staff announcer and news anchor with the VOA. With more
than 35,000 subscribers, the ARES® E-Letter is written by _Rick Palm, K1CE_
(http://www.qrz.com/db/k1ce) and is published each month. Click _here_
(http://www.arrl.org/ares-e-letter-audio-version) for the audio version of the
ARES® E-Letter. - ARRL Letter
ARES/EmComm Survey
The first ARES/EmComm Survey (from last month) has garnered nearly 900
resposnes. This particular survey is still open! If you haven't checked it out
yet, please access the poll by clicking _here_
(http://www.arrl.org/ares-monthly-poll) . ARRL Headquarters will be reporting the results
soon.
K1CE For a Final
It's T minus 3 months and counting to the launch of hurricane season --
'nuff said! 73, Rick K1CE, Flagler County, Florida
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# 1283. Ellijay Hamfest May 14, 2011

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2011-03-16 12:00:21 UTC
From: w4uoc@aol.com
Topic: 1283  Message: 1283

Date: May 14, 2011
Time: 7:00 AM until 2:00 PM
Place: Ellijay Lions Club
1729 South Main Street
Ellijay, Georgia 30540
34° 40’ 25”N 84° 29’ 41”W

Talk In: 145.170 MHz (-600 KHz) PL 100Hz
W4HHH Repeater
443.9875 MHz (+5.0 MHz)
D-Star

D-Star Symposium:
Topic:
Time:
Presenter(s):
D-Star 101 - Radio Programming
9:00AM – 10:30AM
Ed Woodrick, WA4YIH

D-RATS, Data Transfer, Photo Transfer
11:35AM – 1:15PM
Robin Cutshaw, AA4RC and
John Davis, WB4QDX

Door Prizes:
First Prize Icom ID-880H D-Star VHF/UHF Transceiver
Second Prize: Icom IC-80AD D-Star Handheld VHF/UHF Transceiver
Ellijay Bucks (Hamfest Gift Certificates)
Plus Other Prizes

Food:
Breakfast – Hot Breakfast Sandwiches, Fresh Local Pastries staring at
6:00AM (for vendors)
Lunch - Served between 11:00AM until 1:00PM

Contacts:
Winn Hall – WA4KKW
Paul Craft – KE4GC
wa4kkw@...
ke4gc@...
706 636 1778
706 698 7200

# 1284. North Fulton ARES Net, 3/20/2011, 8:30 pm

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2011-03-19 00:26:21 UTC
From: nfares@yahoogroups.com
Topic: 1284  Message: 1284

Reminder from: nfares Yahoo! Group
http://groups.yahoo.com/group/nfares/cal

North Fulton ARES Net
Sunday March 20, 2011
8:30 pm - 9:30 pm
(This event repeats every week.)
Location: 147.060 MHz (plus 600kHz) PL 100.0. Backup is 145.470 MHz (minus 600 kHz) PL 100.0

Notes:
Please remember that both repeaters now require a PL tone of 100.0 Hz

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# 1285. North American Mission Board - Activation for Training in May 2011

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2011-03-19 13:19:58 UTC
From: w4uoc@aol.com
Topic: 1285  Message: 1285

I received a message from Terry Jones W4TL that they intend to activate the NAMB for a training exercise in May. I will provided additional information as it becomes available. We need to have at least one MARS licensed operator at the site at all times. However, since the MARS operator will be on site we can still use any licensed ARES operator with the MARS member being the control operator. According to my records there are two MARS members in our NFARES organization or affiliated with the NAMB organization.

Tom Koch - W4UOC / AAR4MQ
Mike Cohen - AD4MC / AAR4IN
Jim Hadder - KE4ZX / AAR4IM
Terry Jones - W4TL / AA????

Tom Koch - EC North Fulton Amateur Radio Emergency Service

From: Terry [mailto:w4tl@bellsouth.net]
Sent: Friday, March 18, 2011 12:32 PM
To: Jim Hadder; Tom Koch; Vester Scott
Subject: Fw: DOC Training and NLE
Guys,

Just wanted to give you guys a heads up.

I just got this e-mail from Bruce Poss, the new DR Coordinator for NAMB. Apparently they still plan to include amateur radio in the scheme of things. This will give us a chance to check our equipment and capabilities. It will also give us the opportunity to bring the MARS network into the training.

I know the May dates may be somewhat of a conflict with Dayton but perhaps it will not be too big of a hurdle to overcome.

I will be contacting Bruce to get specifics and will let you know what I find out.

Terry

--- On Fri, 3/18/11, Poss, Bruce <_bposs@namb.net_ (mailto:bposs@...)
> wrote:

From: Poss, Bruce <_bposs@namb.net_ (mailto:bposs@...) >
Subject: DOC Training and NLE
To: "Terry" <_w4tl@..._ (mailto:w4tl@...) >
Date: Friday, March 18, 2011, 12:01 PM

Terry,
I wanted to make you aware of some upcoming activities that I would like you and some other HAM guys to be involved in.

April 13 – 8:30 a.m. – 4:30 p.m. Disaster Operations Center (DOC) training. This will include NAMB staff (DR and Non DR)
May 17-19 – National Level Exercise – The DOC will be operational during the exercise, 8 hours per day. We would like to have radio operators at their post during the exercise.
Call me at your convenience if you have questions.
In His Service,
Bruce Poss
North American Mission Board
Disaster Relief Coordinator
770-410-6301
_www.namb.net/dr_ (http://www.namb.net/dr)

# 1286. North Fulton Amateur Radio Emergency Service Net for Sunday, March 20, 2011

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2011-03-21 01:26:53 UTC
From: Shelia Staton
Topic: 1286  Message: 1286

There were 14 check-ins for the net this evening:

W4UOC Tom
K4YJI Bill
N4SBD Scott
KD9RU Dave
KI4DSO George
N4MPB Karen
K7SYS John
AA4FA Dan
KJ4MIJ Clyde
AK4EX Stewart
N7QPP Joe
AD4MC Mike (Echolink)
N4SEC Jim (Echolink)
KD4NKE Shelia (Net Control)

W4UOC checked into the digital and Winlink net for the State ARES today.

K4YJI checked into the Winlink, digital, and SSB net for the State ARES today.

KJ4MIJ checked into the 80m PSK and voice net for the State ARES today.

N4MPB and others provided communications for a marathon this morning. She will provide a list of NFARES volunteers including the time spent volunteering.

W4UOC announced that the North American Mission Board would be activating in mid-May and would need our assistance. He sent out information today. Please contact him if you are interested in volunteering.

The net closed at 8:46 p.m. local time. Thanks to all who participated in this net and the fldigi net that followed. Have a great week everyone!

Respectfully submitted,

Shelia
KD4NKE

# 1287. FLDIGI AND FLMSG COMPATIBILITY ISSUES

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2011-03-21 16:42:55 UTC
From: w4uoc@aol.com
Topic: 1287  Message: 1287

YOUR MIGHT FIND THIS OF SOME INTEREST NOT ONLY FOR MARS BUT FOR OUR NFARES TESTING AND EXERCISES.

TOM KOCH - W4UOC

A downward compatibility issue was discovered and reported by an ARMY MARS net using the NBEMS software. Forms

ICS-205, ICS-206 and ICS-213

generated by version 1.1.4 will be rejected by previous versions of the flmsg software. Upward compatibility is OK, that is a 1.1.3 formatted message can be read by 1.1.4. Other form types were not effected.

I apologize for the inconvenience this might have caused and glad that the bug was discovered during an exercise and not an emergency. This should be a one time issue.

Please be sure that all users of flmsg are synchronized respecting the version number of the software.

Have a great Sunday.

73, Dave, W1HKJ

# 1288. North Fulton ARES Net, 3/27/2011, 8:30 pm

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2011-03-26 00:26:34 UTC
From: nfares@yahoogroups.com
Topic: 1288  Message: 1288

Reminder from: nfares Yahoo! Group
http://groups.yahoo.com/group/nfares/cal

North Fulton ARES Net
Sunday March 27, 2011
8:30 pm - 9:30 pm
(This event repeats every week.)
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# 1289. NFARES 2-meter net, Sunday, March 27, 2011

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2011-03-28 01:17:00 UTC
From: MikeC
Topic: 1289  Message: 1289

We had 14 check-ins on the NFARES 2-meter net, Sunday, March 27, 2011
W4UOC - Tom, Sandy Springs, EC North Fulton, BP
W5JR ☐ Mike, Milton EchoLink
N4SBD - Scott Dunbar, Alpharetta, BP
K4YJI - Bill, E. Cobb, BP
N4SEC - Jim, Alpharetta, BP
AJ4NT - Matt, Mobile Chamblee
N4CUS ☐ John, Roswell
N4MPB ☐ Karen, Johns Creek, BP
KJ4MIJ ☐ Clyde, Dunwoody
W4QO - Jim Stafford, Roswell, BP
KD4NKE ☐ Shelia, Sandy Springs
KG5WU- Wayne, Sandy Springs, BP
AK4EX ☐ Stuart, Sandy Springs
AD4MC (NCS) ☐ Mike, Sandy Springs, BP

BP = Battery Power

Comments:
KJ4MIJ reported on the GA ARES 80M nets;
KJ4MIJ and AD4MC checked in to the digital and voice nets.
W4UOC checked into the digital net.

The next scheduled net will be Sunday, April 6th. This net closed at 8:42 PM.

KJ4MIJ was NCS for the digital training net following our regularly scheduled net.

73,
Mike - AD4MC
404-981-8624

# 1290. D-STAR InfoCon

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2011-03-28 12:34:55 UTC
From: w4uoc@aol.com
Topic: 1290  Message: 1290

D-STAR InfoCon is a one-day workshop to provide information and complete training on all levels of D-STAR. It will be held on Saturday, April 23rd, at Georgia Gwinnett College in Lawrenceville, Georgia, just 30 minutes northeast of downtown Atlanta. Classes will be organized to allow participants on all levels from new users to repeater system administrators to gain knowledge about D-STAR's digital voice and data technology. Participants can choose from informative, hands-on classes on a wide variety of topics. A special class track for repeater system administrators will provide valuable information on topics from repeater basics to complete setup and ongoing administration.

Class size for D-STAR InfoCon is limited and advance registration and payment is required. The cost for attending D-STAR InfoCon is $25.00 per person payable with your advance registration. A buffet lunch in the campus Dining Hall is included in your registration fee. There will be a drawing for an Icom IC-80AD dual band D-STAR handheld.

For complete information and to register online, go to _www.dstarinfo.com_ (http://www.dstarinfo.com/) in the Conference tab for D-STAR InfoCon.

Payment is accepted via PayPal. Payment must be made with your advance registration.

Registration is now open for D-STAR InfoCon.

# 1291. Sun Spot video

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2011-03-28 15:27:27 UTC
From: w4uoc@aol.com
Topic: 1291  Message: 1291

Sun Spot video. Very interesting and informative!

Tom Koch - W4UOC

_http://www.southgatearc.org/news/march2011/sunspot_video.htm?utm_source=fee
dburner&utm_medium=email&utm_campaign=Feed%3A+AmateurRadioNews+%28Southgate+
Amateur+Radio+News%29_
(http://www.southgatearc.org/news/march2011/sunspot_video.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_me
dium=email&utm_campaign=Feed:+AmateurRa
dioNews+(Southgate+Amateur+Radio+News))

# 1292. Ham radios find place in high-tech world

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2011-03-28 15:32:11 UTC
From: w4uoc@aol.com
Topic: 1292  Message: 1292

Ham radios find place in high-tech world
By _Jon Rabiroff_ (/reporters/Jon_Rabiroff?author=Jon_Rabiroff)
Stars and Stripes
Published: March 27, 2011

SEOUL — Ham radios once played a key role in the operations of the U.S. military before fading into the background with the arrival of better and more accessible forms of communication like cell phones, the Internet and Skype.

But just when you start to think ham radios might go the way of rotary phones, 8-track tape players and phonographs, disaster strikes and the old war horses of communications fill a void in the response to emergencies.
Ham radio operators were widely credited with helping with emergency communications in the wake of the 9/11 attacks and Hurricane Katrina. Sixteen days ago when an earthquake and tsunamis devastated Japan, ham radio hobbyists and their outdated technology once again got involved in reconnecting families and guiding emergency aid where it was most needed.
“In the fairly early stages after the earthquake, several radio amateurs were able to activate their stations with car batteries or small-engine generators,” Japan Amateur Radio League International Section Manager Ken Yamamoto said in an e-mail to Stars and Stripes. “They transmitted rescue requests and information on the disaster situation, including refugee centers and their needs and/or the availability of basic infrastructures, like electricity, water and gas supplies.”
Yamamoto said information gathered from ham radio operators in the hardest hit areas of the country was “reported to the rescue and disaster relief organizations for their appropriate deployment.”
Radio equipment manufacturers distributed hundreds of transceivers for use at relief and refugee centers, he said, which “should help ... to facilitate smooth and appropriate delivery of disaster-relief goods.”
In some cases, ham radio operators also helped anxious people around the world find out about the welfare of loved ones in Japan.
Trevor Jones of British Columbia, Canada, called embassies and checked social media websites immediately after the earthquake, checking on the welfare of his son, Jonathon, but it was the ham radio of Jonathon’s grandfather that played a key role in reconnecting him with the 32-year-old English teacher in Sendai, according to the Montreal Gazette.
“I think they’ve forgotten about ham radios,” Trevor Jones is quoted in the Gazette. “If you went back to the time when I was 32 years old, that was the only system that wouldn’t break down.”
Military connection
Ham radio may be a dying form of communication, but amateur-radio hobbyists don’t want any static about their passion — one that appears to have a significant following among members of the U.S. military.

“I will be the first to admit that using ham radio to communicate is far from being the most efficient means of communication,” said U.S. Army Maj. Scott Hedberg, a ham-radio operator based at Camp Red Cloud in South Korea. “I think you can best look at it like, ‘Why do people go horseback riding or ride bikes? Isn’t there a more efficient way to get from A to Z?’
“Sure, but it is the enjoyment of the journey that is the key.”
There are still references in military regulations to ham radio use. For example, U.S. Forces Korea regulations state that, “When directed, amateur radio operators will assist in providing communications for all types of disaster and will work with various relief agencies as necessary.”
However, Hedberg said, “Just based on the robust communications we have here today ... I would think it would have to be fairly extreme circumstances, from a military standpoint, that they would be coming to me for any sort of assistance.”
That has not stopped hobbyists — they number “in the hundreds” among active troops, Hedberg said — from spending their off hours spinning dials and connecting worldwide with others with a passion for the technology and quaintness of ham radio conversations.
Richard A. Bartlett, the 90-year-old author of “The World of Ham Radio, 1901-1950: A Social History,” said, “Morse code may be disappearing and hams declining in numbers, but what of the innovators?
“I think the curious, highly intelligent radio gadgeteer deserves a viable place in our society, including the military. Ham radio, in its social aspects, provides these bright, inquisitive people with contacts, rivalries, challenges and, yes, friends with similar interests.
“It would be tragic for their wonderful hobby to disappear.”
Still needed
For now, the hobby does not appear to be on its last legs: Today, there are an estimated 2 million ham radio enthusiasts around the world.
Hedberg explained there are a number of reasons people are still attracted to the ham radio hobby, despite the arrival of easier and more advanced forms of communication.
“Just the challenge involved,” he said. “It takes a little bit to get everything set up right. There’s a little bit of magic involved. Just being able to talk from here back to the United States is pretty cool.
“Can I pick up a phone and do that? Sure I can,” he continued. “It’s a tougher journey getting there, but I get a lot more satisfaction doing that.”

Bartlett said, “Computers and the World Wide Web are wonderful, but dedicated hams are still necessary in times of disaster. They are the initial contacts in cases of natural disasters. Ham members of clubs contact ham members of other clubs. Club members spell their ham brothers during disasters when they are on the air 24 hours or more at a time. Their contributions are vital.”
Hall said when disaster strikes, things like cell phones and Skype are not necessarily going to work.
For a ham radio operator to connect to the world, he said, “All you need is a car battery and a coat hanger, and you can ‘MacGyver’ it.”
Yamamoto said one of the lessons learned through the disaster in Japan is that, “Radio amateurs should have periodic training for well-controlled and

reliable disaster communications, even in chaotic situations.
“Amateur radio clubs should coordinate their roles in disaster situations with local rescue and disaster relief organizations, and emergency medical centers,” he said.
Bartlett closed his book with a plea to readers to introduce their children to the world of ham radios.
“You will be doing not only your son or daughter a favor but, indirectly, the world at large,” he wrote.
_rabiroffj@..._ (mailto:rabiroffj@...)

# 1293. What is it? Can anyone ID this item?

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2011-03-17 23:45:51 UTC
From: Earl Simmons
Topic: 1293  Message: 1293

[Body unavailable in the source archive]

# 1294. Tri-State SET 4/2/2011

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2011-04-02 00:14:13 UTC
From: n4bta
Topic: 1294  Message: 1294

Is anyone aware of this SET on Saturday.

http://gaares.org/ga-ares-news/

Tom Olley let me know about it earlier this afternoon.
Thanks,
Bret / n4bta

# 1295. North Fulton ARES Net, 4/3/2011, 8:30 pm

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2011-04-02 00:26:06 UTC
From: nfares@yahoogroups.com
Topic: 1295  Message: 1295

Reminder from: nfares Yahoo! Group
http://groups.yahoo.com/group/nfares/cal

North Fulton ARES Net
Sunday April 3, 2011
8:30 pm - 9:30 pm
(This event repeats every week.)
Location: 147.060 MHz (plus 600kHz) PL 100.0. Backup is 145.470 MHz (minus 600 kHz) PL 100.0

Notes:
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# 1296. North American Mission Board - Disaster Relief Meeting and Exercise

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2011-04-03 12:36:11 UTC
From: w4uoc@aol.com
Topic: 1296  Message: 1296

I received a request from Terry Jones W4TL requesting our support in providing radio operators (ARES & MARS) to attend a training meeting at the North American Mission Board (NAMB) on April 13 and also participate in a simulated disaster exercise in May. (Date to be announced)

The North American Mission Board is located just south of Old Milton Highway on North Point Parkway.

If you are interested in being involved and can be available to participate in both the training meeting on April 13 and the exercise in May please advise me by return email to _w4uoc@..._ (mailto:w4uoc@...) . or _aar4mq@..._ (mailto:aar4mq@...) with your response.

Tom Koch - W4UOC/AAR4MQ
Emergency Coordinator - North Fulton Amateur Radio Emergency Service (NFARES)

# 1297. North American Mission Board - UPDATE

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2011-04-03 12:44:30 UTC
From: w4uoc@aol.com
Topic: 1297  Message: 1297

I received a request from Terry Jones W4TL requesting our support in providing radio operators (ARES & MARS) to attend a training meeting at the North American Mission Board (NAMB) on April 13, 8:30 a.m. – 4:30 p.m. and also participate in a simulated disaster exercise in May 17-19 – National Level Exercise – The DOC will be operational during the exercise, 8 hours per day.

The North American Mission Board is located just south of Old Milton Highway on North Point Parkway.

If you are interested in being involved and can be available to participate in both the training meeting on April 13 and the exercise in May please advise me by return email to _w4uoc@..._ (mailto:w4uoc@...) . or _aar4mq@..._ (mailto:aar4mq@...) with your response.

Tom Koch - W4UOC/AAR4MQ
Emergency Coordinator - North Fulton Amateur Radio Emergency Service (NFARES)

# 1298. WX4PTC activation tomorrow into Tuesday morning

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2011-04-03 19:54:04 UTC
From: Jim Stafford
Topic: 1298  Message: 1298

FYI...  Get those batteries charged up!  The ARC repeater is tied into the WX ham station at Peachtree City.  So have one radio tuned into 146.82 (146.2 PL) (did you know they have a remote on Sweat Mountain, so coverage here is great!) and one on 7.06 (PL 100) and one on .....

That's why you need all those radios!

W4QO Jim Stafford www.w4qo.com QRP - When you care enough to send the very least!
From: Bob Herrin <herrinb@bellsouth.net>

From: Robert Burton <kd4ydc@...>
Date: April 3, 2011 10:54:54 AM EDT
To: Georgia Skywarn <georgiaskywarn@...m>,  GA ARES <ARES@...>
Subject: [georgiaskywarn] WX4PTC activation tomorrow into Tuesday morning
Reply-To: georgiaskywarn@yahoogroups.com

Please pass the word far and wide to any ARES groups and other Skywarn Spotters.

Good Morning,
Sorry if some of you are getting this email 2 and 3 (or more) times.  I am trying to get the word out well in advance of this system since it will go through the night in most areas.

Repeater owners - Please be patient with us since we may have our hands full in taking reports in. Your area may be completely in the clear and still be linked into the weather net (www.georgiaskywarn.com).  We will do our very best to accommodate and respect the use of the repeaters. However as you know, getting these reports in are our top priority. Remember...we have 96 counties to contend with ;-)

I just got off the phone with the NWS in Peachtree City (9:15am).  There is a chance of a 12 or more hour activation for WX4PTC.  This of course could change, but we are looking at storms possibly getting into the NW corner of the state at 6:00 to 7:00pm and not exiting the PTC's warning area until about 8:00am Tuesday morning.

Please use any means possible in not only getting a report but also getting into the NWS. (your observation, going to another repeater, getting on hf...if not lightning..., call a friend or relative on the phone, listening to public service on your scanner...many times 911 is too busy to call the NWS)
These storms move fast at this time of the year and we REALLY need to stay ahead of them. Here are some things to use and remember;

www.georgiaskywarn.com - This is a list of the repeaters in the GA Skywarn Linked Repeater System.

DSTAR - Yes. We now have a DStar radio (IC2820) in the NWS.  This was a generous gift from the Atlanta Radio Club. Thanks also to John Davis for helping with this and getting things setup for us. We are still working out how to use the radio and it's logistics.  At this

time we will be using the Pine Mtn repeater (http://kj4kle.dstargateway.org/) and I believe the Reflector 30 (http://ref030.dstargateway.org/) (forgive me if that is not correct...) will be linked in.  We will be monitoring this and will do our best to give bulletins on this repeater / reflector as well as the Linked Net on analog.  We may possibly need a liaison / NCS for this side.  Contact me directly if you can help with this (kd4ydc@...).

www.weather.gov/atlanta - Take some notes on this page.  Over on the left hand side you have a place to "Summit Storm Report". This has several ways that your reports can be sent in. This may be especially helpful AFTER the storms pass. Note from the page the following;

Important: Items to include in your report:
* Type of Report (Hail, Tornado, Wind Damage, Wind Speed, Snow, Ice, etc)
* Size of Hail or Wind speeds
* Any Damage Caused
* Amount Of Snow/Ice
* Where and what time the event occurred. Please include you location as accurately as possible.
Example: 5 Miles East of Decatur in Wise County
or provide your street address (preferred method).

Also note - If we do not ask for "Fair Weather Reports"....don't give them.  You only tie the network up (and it is just that..covering the whole state...).  Also, winds of 20 mph to even the upper 30's, lightning... is not severe criteria.  Just saying.... ;-)

Hazardous Weather Outlook - Can be found here - http://www.srh.noaa.gov/ffc/?n=hwo .  This will give you a heads up on possible spotter activation as well.

Power Page - Is my favorite on this site (http://www.srh.noaa.gov/ffc/html/power.php) . This is a all in one page for their whole web site.

I know this is a lot of info.  Please be aware if there are storms in your area, be safe first...and then PLEASE get your report (if severe) into the NWS the fastest mode possible.

Thanks,
Robert Burton
DEC NWS in Peachtree City, GA

# 1299. Fw: Cherokee County ARES Standby Weather Activation 8pm

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2011-04-04 19:19:05 UTC
From: Jim Stafford
Topic: 1299  Message: 1299
Attachments: 1 described; binary payloads are missing from this source WARC

FYI... I'll be on throughout the evening.

W4QO Jim Stafford

--- On Mon, 4/4/11, WB4NWS Jim Millsap <wb4nws@...> wrote:

From: WB4NWS Jim Millsap <wb4nws@...>
Subject: ARES Standby Weather Activation 8pm
To: wb4nws@...
Date: Monday, April 4, 2011, 3:04 PM

Cherokee County ARES will call a net tonight at 8pm. Depending on the weather approaching our area, will depend if we activate a weather net (most likely). Tornado, hail and straight line winds (up to 80mph est) have been associated with this storm today. It is a fast moving storm front. Attached is a radar picture with various warnings and damage reports in Mississippi, Kentucky, and approaching NW Alabama and Tennessee.
Be prepared for emergency power and take shelter if tornado warning is declared. This is why we trained as Storm Spotters Saturday during the Simulated Emergency Test, to move to a basement or center of home and tested HT communications. We will communicate on 145.270 primary and 443.070 secondary repeaters. Thanks for being available and be safe.

Jim Millsap-WB4NWS
EC-Cherokee County

# 1300. North Fulton County ARES Meeting, 4/12/2011, 7:00 pm

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2011-04-05 22:56:00 UTC
From: nfares@yahoogroups.com
Topic: 1300  Message: 1300

Reminder from: nfares Yahoo! Group
http://groups.yahoo.com/group/nfares/cal

North Fulton County ARES Meeting
Tuesday April 12, 2011
7:00 pm - 8:30 pm
(This event repeats every month on the second Tuesday.)
(The next reminder for this event will be sent in 6 days, 4 minutes.)
Location: Sandy Springs City Council Chambers
Street: Morgan Falls Office Park, 7840 Roswell Road Building 500
City State Zip: Sandy Springs, GA 30350

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# 1301. NAMB MEETING ANOTHER CORRECTION

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2011-04-07 16:29:01 UTC
From: w4uoc@aol.com
Topic: 1301 Message: 1301

Terry Jones - W4TL,

I have heard from the following amateurs and MARS members that intend to participate in the meeting on April 13th at the NAMB. We have our North Fulton ARES meeting Tuesday evening April 12th and I am sure we will have a few others that may be able to participate in the meeting on the 13th and the exercise in May.

Tom Koch W4UOC/AAR4MQ _w4uoc@..._ (mailto:w4uoc@...)

Mike Cohen AD4MC/AAR4IN _ad4mc.mike@..._
(mailto:ad4mc.mike@...)

Jim Hadder KE4ZX/AAR4IM _jehadder@..._
(mailto:jehadder@...)

Vestor Scott N8EKA/AAM4TGA _vesterscott@..._
(mailto:vesterscott@...)

Jim Stafford W4QO _jim@..._
(mailto:jim@...)

George Lane KI4DSO _glane4@..._
(mailto:glane4@...)

Jim Paine N4SEC _jpaine@..._
(mailto:jpaine@...)

Can you provide me some detail information as to the agenda for the 13th and your expectations!

Tom Koch - EC North Fulton Amateur Radio Emergency Service (NFARES)

# 1302. Need Help at Red Cross Headquarters This Saturday April 9th

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2011-04-08 21:10:39 UTC
From: n4bta
Topic: 1302 Message: 1302

NFARES,
Lowry Rouse asked me to pass this to our group.
Thanks,
Bret

Message from Lowry, KM4Z:

Please forgive the last minute notice of this event. I'm sending this out to key individuals so please pass this request on to all in your groups that would be interested in helping out with this project. This date had been previously planned a few weeks ago but some issues arose and needed to be resolved before a commitment could be made to do this work. Those issues have been resolved but unfortunately the date could not be changed.

This request for help comes from the GA Section American Red Cross (ARC) DEC Bob Butler (W4RBB). He is asking for help from all Amateur Radio Operators interested in helping the ARC with this project. This will not require affiliation with any organization, group or club but only as someone wanting to help out with this work.

The help needed at the American Red Cross Headquarters this coming Saturday April 9th consists of the complete installation of 46MHz mobile radio transceivers and antennas on ten (10) ARC vehicles and includes the following work:

☐installing power from vehicle battery to transceiver
☐mounting transceiver under dash or on floor board
☐mounting antenna to vehicle body (this will vary with vehicle type and drilling car body/bumper will be required)
All radio, antenna/mounting hardware and coax will be furnished. You will need to bring battery type drills with bits, hand tools, soldering tool with solder, any special tools you may have to help with the installation of this equipment. SWR meters, MFJ antenna analyzers would be a plus if you don't mind bringing them with you. Needless to say if you don't have all or any of these items, don't let that stop you from assisting as there should be enough tools to go around. I'm having to write this quickly so please forgive items that I missed and bring those items with you as you see their need.

The time is from 9AM to 5PM EDT (will stay a bit later if the time is needed and you're willing to stay after 5). Plan on bringing your own food and snacks(or plan to go out for lunch). Bottled water will be provided by the ARC. Talk-in will be on the MATPARC repeater 145.41 (-600) no tone. The address is listed below. An event is going on at the Hdqrs this Saturday so when entering the driveway off Monroe Dr., bear to the left of the parking deck and follow the road up the hill and go around to the rear of the building. There is a parking lot available for parking your vehicle at the end of the road.

For more information or to confirm your participation contact Lowry Rouse (KM4Z) by e-mail km4z@... or call (678) 447-7330 and leave message if no answer.

Please be advised that your participation in performing this work will not make you liable for damage or repair of the vehicle you're working on or the radio equipment you're helping to install. ARC representatives will be on site and assisting with these installations and will take responsibility of the work being performed by the volunteers.

This work is desperately needing completion as Hurricane season is fast approaching. Please consider helping out the ARC with this project. The more helping out will of course make the work go faster.

Please also be advised that the ARC has purchased Amateur Radio equipment that will be installed soon at local county offices and to include a HF and VHF/UHF installation at the Headquarters on Monroe Dr. This work will be completed in the near future after the 46MHz equipment is installed.

The address for this weekend's work party is - American Red Cross

Metropolitan Atlanta Chapter

1955 Monroe Dr NE

Atlanta, GA 30324

Best regards,

Lowry Rouse KM4Z

# 1303. North Fulton ARES Net, 4/10/2011, 8:30 pm

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2011-04-09 00:26:11 UTC
From: nfares@yahoogroups.com
Topic: 1303  Message: 1303

Reminder from: nfares Yahoo! Group
http://groups.yahoo.com/group/nfares/cal

North Fulton ARES Net
Sunday April 10, 2011
8:30 pm - 9:30 pm
(This event repeats every week.)
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# 1304. NFARES MEETING APRIL 12, 2011 - AGENDA ITEMS

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2011-04-11 16:42:22 UTC
From: w4uoc@aol.com
Topic: 1304  Message: 1304

Just a reminder of the April 12th North Fulton ARES meeting will be held at the Sandy Springs, City Council Training Room starting at 7:00 p.m.

The primary agenda for this meeting will be an update for the upcoming activities in support of the Baptist North American Mission Board, Disaster Relief Organization and an introduction to how Army MARS will be involved in support of this served agency.

Some of you have responded that you will also be attending a DOC training session at the North American Mission Board on Wednesday April 12th starting at 8:30 a.m. and probably extending for the majority of the day. In May those that have volunteered to assist will be involved in a three day exercise with the NAMB Disaster Relief Organization as radio communications operators.

Support of this simulated exercise in May will require some familiarity with the use of HF, VHF/UHF radios, digital modes such as MT-63 and Winlink/Airmail.

As usual some will meet for dinner prior to the meeting at Tijuana Joe's just north of the Sandy Springs City Offices on Roswell Road.

Hope to see you there!

Tom Koch - W4UOC
EC - North Fulton Amateur Radio Emergency Service

# 1305. North Fulton County ARES Meeting, 4/12/2011, 7:00 pm

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2011-04-11 22:56:08 UTC
From: nfares@yahoogroups.com
Topic: 1300  Message: 1305

Reminder from: nfares Yahoo! Group
http://groups.yahoo.com/group/nfares/cal

North Fulton County ARES Meeting
Tuesday April 12, 2011
7:00 pm - 8:30 pm
(This event repeats every month on the second Tuesday.)
Location: Sandy Springs City Council Chambers
Street: Morgan Falls Office Park, 7840 Roswell Road Building 500
City State Zip: Sandy Springs, GA 30350

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# 1306. Fwd: NFARES MEETING APRIL 12, 2011 - AGENDA ITEMS

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2011-04-12 00:14:43 UTC
From: w4uoc@aol.com
Topic: 1306  Message: 1306

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From: W4UOC@...
To: nfares@yahoogroups.com, nfarl@yahoogroups.com
Sent: 4/11/2011 12:42:22 P.M. Eastern Daylight Time
Subj: NFARES MEETING APRIL 12, 2011 - AGENDA ITEMS

Just a reminder of the April 12th North Fulton ARES meeting will be held at the Sandy Springs, City Council Training Room starting at 7:00 p.m.

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Hope to see you there!

Tom Koch - W4UOC
EC - North Fulton Amateur Radio Emergency Service

# 1307. North Fulton ARES Net, 4/17/2011, 8:30 pm

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2011-04-16 00:26:37 UTC
From: nfares@yahoogroups.com
Topic: 1307  Message: 1307

Reminder from: nfares Yahoo! Group
http://groups.yahoo.com/group/nfares/cal

North Fulton ARES Net
Sunday April 17, 2011
8:30 pm - 9:30 pm
(This event repeats every week.)
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# 1308. Hurricane Conference this week...

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2011-04-18 00:52:24 UTC
From: Jim Stafford
Topic: 1308  Message: 1308

I mentioned this on the SUN ARES net. Here is the link:

http://www.hurricanemeeting.com/hotel.asp

The MON Amateur Radio session is on page 12 of the program.

This is the session I might go to. Here is a cut and paste from that session:

Amateur Radio TS
Disaster Communications Before, During and After Hurricanes
Monday, April 18, 2011
Time: 1:30 p.m. ? 5:00 p.m.
Location: Greenbriar, Atlanta Conference Center
This training session will discuss the tropical events of 2010 and the involvement of amateur radio. Specific presentation topics will include WX4NHC-The National Hurricane Center, the Hurricane Watch Net, the VoIP Hurricane Net and the Emergency Communications and Interoperability involved in the deployment of operators in the aftermath of the massive earthquake in Haiti.
Instructors:
John McHugh, K4AG, WX4NHC, National Hurricane Center, Miami, FL
Julio Ripoll, WD4R, WX4NHC, National Hurricane Center, Miami, FL
Robert Macedo, KD1CY, VoIP Hurricane Net, New Bedford, MA
Greg Sarratt, W4OZK, ARRL, Huntsville, AL
Jim Palmer, KB1KQW, Videographer, Peabody, MA
Dennis Dura, American Red Cross, Washington, DC

Jim/W4QO

# 1309. Net Report for the April 17, 2011 North Fulton Amateur Radio Emergency Service Weekly Net

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2011-04-18 19:20:40 UTC
From: Shelia Staton
Topic: 1309  Message: 1309

There were 12 check-ins for the April 17, 2011 North Fulton Amateur Radio Emergency Service net:

N4SBD – Scott
KD9RU – Dave
N4SEC – Jim
W4QO – Jim
AA4FA – Dan
N4MPB – Karen
KG5WU – Wayne
AJ4NT – Matt
KJ4MIJ – Clyde
AD4MC – Mike (via Echolink from Baltimore)
AK4EX - Stuart
KD4NKE – Shelia (Net Control)

*Jim (N4SEC) shared his experiences with the training at the North American Mission Board. More information on the NAMB can be found at www.namb.net.

*Jim (N4SEC) also announced the NFARL monthly meeting on Tuesday evening (April 19th). Details on that meeting can be found at www.nfarl.org.

*Jim (W4QO) announced the National Hurricane Conference is being held downtown from April 18-22. More information on the conference can be found at www.hurricanemeeting.com.

The net concluded at 8:48 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Shelia
KD4NKE

# 1310. Cherokee County GA ARES April Newsletter

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2011-04-20 12:54:42 UTC
From: w4uoc@aol.com
Topic: 1310  Message: 1310
Attachments: 1 described; binary payloads are missing from this source WARC

Please see the attached latest news from Cherokee County GA ARES.

# 1311. North Fulton ARES Net, 4/24/2011, 8:30 pm

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2011-04-23 00:25:16 UTC
From: nfares@yahoogroups.com
Topic: 1311  Message: 1311

Reminder from: nfares Yahoo! Group
http://groups.yahoo.com/group/nfares/cal

North Fulton ARES Net
Sunday April 24, 2011
8:30 pm - 9:30 pm
(This event repeats every week.)
Location: 147.060 MHz (plus 600kHz) PL 100.0. Backup is 145.470 MHz (minus 600 kHz) PL 100.0

Notes:
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# 1312. NFARES 2-meter net, Sunday, April 24, 2011

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2011-04-25 01:03:59 UTC
From: MikeC
Topic: 1312  Message: 1312

We had 9 check-ins on the NFARES 2-meter net, Sunday, April 24, 2011
W4UOC - Tom, Sandy Springs, EC North Fulton, BP
KD9RU ☐ Dave, Milton
N4SEC - Jim, Alpharetta, BP
AA4FA - Dan, Dunwoody, BP
KG5WU - Wayne, Sandy Springs, BP
AK4EX ☐ Stuart, Sandy Springs
KJ4MIJ ☐ Clyde, Dunwoody
W4QO - Jim, Roswell, BP
AD4MC (NCS) ☐ Mike, Sandy Springs, BP

BP = Battery Power

Comments:
N4SEC;
The NFARES repeater does not seem to be transmitting a 100 Hz tone.

KJ4MIJ;
Checked in to the 80M GA ARES Net on both digital and voice.
The following NFARES members attended the National Hurricane Conference for 3 hours,
AE4CW
W4QO (Jim will post notes on the NFARES Yahoo group.)
KJ4MIJ

W4QO,
Suggested that we all help Matt, AJ4NT, add current news content to the NFARL Website ARES page.

The next scheduled net will be Sunday, May 1st. This net closed at 8:49 PM.

73,
Mike - AD4MC
404-981-8624

# 1313. NFARES net 4/10/2011 KJ4MIJ

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2011-04-12 02:48:40 UTC
From: CLYDE MCCLAIN
Topic: 1313  Message: 1313

North Fulton Amateur Radio Emergency Services net 04/10/2011
Sunday.
2034 HRS- 2049 HRS EDT ( local time)
We had 10 check-ins total for tonights net.KJ4MIJ Clyde McClain( Dunwoody) was net control.

1. N4SEC Jim Lake Lanier GA ECHOLINK With traffic.
2. N4SBD Scott Panacea FL ECHOLINK
3. K4YJI Bill East Cobb GA
Battery power. With traffic.
4. KD9RU Dave Milton GA
5. KC4YBO Steve Cobb Co, GA
6. AJ4NT Matt Dunwoody GA Mobile
7. AK4EX Stuart Sandy Springs GA. With traffic.
8. KD4NKE Sheila Sandy Springs GA
9. N4TOL John Jasper GA
10. KJ4MIJ Clyde Dunwoody GA. Battery power. Net Control. Notes following.

N4SEC Jim announced a reminder for the Tuesday night (04/12/2011) NFARES meeting. The topic is preparation for the North American Mission Board training on Wednesday 04/13/2011 and more days in May 2011.

K4YJI Bill confirmed his participation in the GA ARES nets including 80 meter digital and 80 meter voice. KJ4MIJ Clyde participated in the 80 meter digital net although not mentioned during this net.

AK4EX Stuart asked at the nets conclusion for me to inform W4UOC Tom NFARES Emergency Coordinator that Stuart would like information Stuart will miss coming from Tuesday nights meeting.

The net ended at 2049 HRS local time. Thank you for everyone that participated. KJ4MIJ Clyde.

# 1314. NAMB Potential Activation due to Tornado Disasters

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2011-04-29 03:19:16 UTC
From: w4uoc@aol.com
Topic: 1314  Message: 1314

I have been notified that the North American Mission Board (NAMB) may be activating their DOC (Disaster Relief Operations Center) starting this weekend or early next week, in support of the recent tornados effecting Mississippi, Alabama, Georgia and Tennessee. I have been asked to start getting a roster of NFARES volunteers that could work an eight hour daytime shift. It would be best to have two amateurs on each daytime shift preferably one experienced/qualified ARES and one MARS operator.

It would be best if you were familiar and comfortable with the use of Voice on SSB, analog FM and D/Star. Digital modes, if needed, may include the use of Winlink/Winmor, MT-63 and Olivia.

Equipment is currently installed at the NAMB headquarters on North Point Parkway, thus you will not be required to bring any additional equipment.

Some antenna work my be needed prior to activating the station.

If you are interested and available to help, send me your response with the following information.

NAME CALL PHONE MARS
AVAILABLE DAYS (Mon-Sun)
Tom Koch W4UOC 404-314-6109 AAR4MQ
Mon-Sun

# 1315. North Fulton ARES Net, 5/1/2011, 8:30 pm

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2011-04-30 00:26:23 UTC
From: nfares@yahoogroups.com
Topic: 1315  Message: 1315

Reminder from: nfares Yahoo! Group
http://groups.yahoo.com/group/nfares/cal

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Sunday May 1, 2011
8:30 pm - 9:30 pm
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# 1316. Update on North American Mission Board - Disaster Relief efforts

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2011-04-30 20:54:55 UTC
From: w4uoc@aol.com
Topic: 1316  Message: 1316

Jim Hadder KE4ZX and I will be meeting at the North American Mission Board at 10:00 a.m. Monday May 2nd, to look into the HF antenna situation and to check out the installed equipment.

If any on this list wish to help on please notify me at 404-314-6109 or by return email to _w4uoc@..._ (mailto:w4uoc@...)

The equipment currently installed at the NAMB includes:

Icom ID-1 D/Star transceiver (1.2 G)
Icom ID-800H D/Star transceiver (VHF/UHF)
Kenwood 2000 HF transceiver
VHF/UHF Analog repeater
Winlink on the internet or with HF Winmor

A D/Star communications has been established using the Cumming, GA, D/Star repeater KI4SBA-B (440) and it has been linked to reflector 002-B where the Red Cross, Salvation Army and the North American Mission Board Disaster Relief organizations will be passing emergency traffic only.

South Bears the North American Mission Board's amateur radio network, will also be using two 40 meter frequencies which are 7.260 and 7.262 depending on band conditions.

We have at this time not been activated to operate the station but do need to get the equipment checked out and operational.

Tom Koch - W4UOC - EC North Fulton ARES

# 1317. Amateur Radio Emergency Service

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2011-05-01 12:45:55 UTC
From: w4uoc@aol.com
Topic: 1317  Message: 1317

Representative Tom Price (GA),

This morning, May 1, 2011, as I am standing by on KI4SBA port B to assist in disaster communication out of the Alabama and Georgia effected tornado areas, I just received this link to NPR and a discussion about the potential of loosing this portion of our amateur radio band. I am using D/Star digital voice and data on the same band that representative King is talking about selling off to commercial or public service uses.

_http://www.npr.org/2011/04/30/135873302/ham-radio-volunteers-worry-about-spectrum-plan?ft=1&f=1001_
(http://www.npr.org/2011/04/30/135873302/ham-radio-volunteers-worry-about-spectrum-plan?ft=1&f=1001)

I have spent hundred of dollars to invest in this equipment as well as advising our local fire/rescue and police agencies to invest in so we can be prepared to provide back up emergency communication to the North Fulton County cities of Sandy Springs, Rosewll, Johns Creek, Milton and Alpharetta. Not to list as of less importance are the hundreds of hours spent by our group each year to participate in training and exercises to hone our skills to communicate when needed at no cost to the cities and agencies that they support.

Our local North Fulton Amateur Radio Emergency Service (NFARES) spends hours training and activating our emergency network on a weekly basis to assure that the system is always ready and able to step in should the need arrive. Our groups primary missions are to support the cities previously mentioned but also the North American Mission Board's Disaster Relief organization, Red Cross and Salvation Army efforts.

We also have station set up in the area hospitals, Northside and Emory Johns Creek.

I see no problem converting the unused former television frequencies to a public safety/first responders network but why eliminate the portions currently allocated to amateur radio when we use this band now to support emergency communications needs now?

Thomas E. Koch - W4UOC/AAR4MQ
Emergency Coordinator - North Fulton Amateur Radio Emergency Service.

# 1318. ARES NET - Sunday, May 1st, 2011

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2011-05-02 17:15:05 UTC
From: sbdunbar
Topic: 1318  Message: 1318

We had a total of 15 checkins for the ARES net, including myself.

NCS: Scott / n4sbd

NFARES Members:
k4yji / Bill
kd9ru / Dave
n4sec / Jim
ad4mc / Mike
kd4nke / Sheila
aa4fa / Dan
w4qo / Jim
kj4mij / Clyde
kf4upo / Mike
ak4ex / Stuart

Other Checkins:
n4cus / John
kk4btb / John
kk4bqc / Bill
kx4y / Randy

# 1319. North Fulton County ARES Meeting, 5/10/2011, 7:00 pm

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2011-05-03 22:56:15 UTC
From: nfares@yahoogroups.com
Topic: 1319  Message: 1319

Reminder from: nfares Yahoo! Group
http://groups.yahoo.com/group/nfares/cal

North Fulton County ARES Meeting
Tuesday May 10, 2011
7:00 pm - 8:30 pm
(This event repeats every month on the second Tuesday.)
(The next reminder for this event will be sent in 6 days, 3 minutes.)
Location: Sandy Springs City Council Chambers
Street: Morgan Falls Office Park, 7840 Roswell Road Building 500
City State Zip: Sandy Springs, GA 30350

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# 1320. National Level Exercise 2011.htm

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2011-05-05 20:13:45 UTC
From: w4uoc@aol.com
Topic: 1320  Message: 1320
Attachments: 1 described; binary payloads are missing from this source WARC

Those of you supporting the National Level Exercise from the North American Mission Board (NAMB) Disaster Relief Organization should read and understand the nature of this exercise.

Tom Koch - W4UOC
Emergency Coordinator - North Fulton Amateur Radio Emergency System

# 1321. National Level Exercise 2011

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2011-05-05 22:18:08 UTC
From: w4uoc@aol.com
Topic: 1321  Message: 1321

To: North Fulton Amateur Radio Emergency Service, members
For those of you that will or want to participate in the upcoming National Level Exercise by assisting in the communications efforts at the North American Mission Board - Disaster Relief - Communications Center please note the following information.
Tom Koch - W4UOC
EC - North Fulton ARES
National Level Exercise 2011 (NLE 2011)
FACT SHEET
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* Citizen evacuation and shelter-in-place
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* Emergency operations center (EOC) management
* Long term recovery

Validating the Homeland Security System

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FEMA’s mission is to support our citizens and first responders to ensure that as a nation we work together to build, sustain, and improve our capability to prepare for, protect against, respond to, recover from, and mitigate all hazards.

# 1322. North Fulton ARES Net, 5/8/2011, 8:30 pm

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2011-05-07 00:25:18 UTC
From: nfares@yahoogroups.com
Topic: 1322  Message: 1322

Reminder from: nfares Yahoo! Group
http://groups.yahoo.com/group/nfares/cal

North Fulton ARES Net
Sunday May 8, 2011
8:30 pm - 9:30 pm
(This event repeats every week.)
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# 1323. NFARES net Sunday May 8,2011

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2011-05-09 20:51:10 UTC
From: w4uoc@aol.com
Topic: 1323  Message: 1323

The North Fulton ARES net started at 20:36 EDT on 147.06 repeater.

Roster Follows:
W4UOC Tom NCS
AF4FA Dan
N4CUS John
KD9RU Dave
N4SBD Scott B
K4YJI Bill B
N4SEC Jim B
AK4EX Stewart
KG5WU Wayne
AK4TL Clyde 1 routine
AD4MC Mike
KD4NKE Shelia

12 participants in the net.

Net closed at 20:55 EDT

B= Battery or emergency power

# 1324. North Fulton County ARES Meeting, 5/10/2011, 7:00 pm

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2011-05-09 22:56:21 UTC
From: nfares@yahoogroups.com
Topic: 1319  Message: 1324

Reminder from: nfares Yahoo! Group
http://groups.yahoo.com/group/nfares/cal

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Tuesday May 10, 2011
7:00 pm - 8:30 pm
(This event repeats every month on the second Tuesday.)
Location: Sandy Springs City Council Chambers
Street: Morgan Falls Office Park, 7840 Roswell Road Building 500
City State Zip: Sandy Springs, GA 30350

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# 1325. NFARES Meeting May 10, 2011

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2011-05-10 13:12:02 UTC
From: w4uoc@aol.com
Topic: 1325  Message: 1325
Attachments: 1 described; binary payloads are missing from this source WARC

This is a reminder that our regular NFARES meeting will be held in the training room of the Sandy Springs City Council Chambers starting at 7:00 p.m.

The program will be to discuss and plan the involvement of our NFARES organization in support of the Field Day Activities on Saturday and Sunday June 25-26.

Ian Kahn will provide a review of the field day plans and our involvement in support of these activities.

We will be using the North American Mission Board - Disaster Relief Command Trailer to support the HF digital station and the VHF/UHF/D-Star operations.

Our June NFARES meeting will be held at the North American Mission Board - Disaster Relief headquarters.

I will look forward to seeing you at the meeting tonight and possibly for dinner at Tijuana Joe's prior to our meeting.

Tom Koch - W4UOC
EC North Fulton ARES

# 1326. National Level Exercise (NLE) - ARES Members needed to volunteer

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2011-05-11 12:39:13 UTC
From: w4uoc@aol.com
Topic: 1326  Message: 1326

We have been requested to help the North American Mission Board - Disaster Relief Organization participate in the National Level Exercise (NLE) which is based on a scenario around an earthquake effecting the southcentral and southeastern United States.

According to Bruce Potts the manager of the Disaster Operations Center (DOC), " We will operate 7 am to 7 PM Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday (May 17-19). It would be good to have someone here during those times, but especially the first day.".

According to Bruce the earthquake will render all commercial means of communications useless out of the effected areas. It is expected the first day that communications will be limited to the use of satellite phones and amateur radio.

We need to set up shifts to operate their headquarters station for potentially three days.

I have set up the shifts to run for 7 hrs each. 7:00 a.m. - 2:00 p.m. and 1:00 p.m. - 7:00 p.m..
This would allow a one hour overlap for the shift change and time to brief the second shift personal as to the situation, activities and procedures experienced during the previous shifts.

We will need one shift captain to be a credentialed Disaster Relief person that participated in the volunteer accreditation session at the NAMB a few weeks ago. Some of those included:
Jim Hadder KE4ZX/AAR5IM, Tom Koch W4UOC/AAR4MQ, Jim Paine N4SEC, Mike Cohen AD4MC/AAR4IN
, Jim Stafford W4QO and George Lane. Since Jim Hadder, Mike Cohen and I also hold MARS licenses I think it is important that these three should be shift leaders for at least the first and second day of the exercise. I suspect that MARS will be used to provide intergovernmental communications.

My initial suggestions for the shift leaders would be as follows but can be changed based on availability.

Tuesday May 17
Second Operator
7:00 am - 2:00 PM Tom Koch - W4UOC/AAR4MQ

1:00 PM - 7:00 PM Mike Cohen AD4MC/AAR4IN

Wednesday May 18

7:00 am - 2:00 PM Tom Koch - W4UOC/AAR4MQ

1:00 PM - 7:00 PM Jim Hadder - KE4ZX/AAR4IM

Thursday May 19

7:00 am - 2:00 PM Jim Hadder - KE4ZX/AAR4IM

1:00 PM - 7:00 PM Tom Koch - W4UOC/AAR4MQ

I am requesting that your reply via email to _w4uoc@..._
(mailto:w4uoc@...) if you can participate in the exercise and the shift that you can commit to be available.

Tom Koch - W4UOC
Emergency Coordinator - North Fulton ARES

# 1327. ARRL ARES Logo and ARES Ringbinder

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2011-05-13 00:32:06 UTC
From: MikeC
Topic: 1327  Message: 1327

To NFARES Members,

A while back, Jim, W4QO, showed me a ringbinder that he made for ARES and I have proudly made one for myself. It is a standard white ringbinder that has an ARRL ARES logo printed out on an 8.5"x11" page and slipped into the cover's sleeve. Inside the ringbinder is important information that is handy to have if you are called out on an ARES assignment, like:
1. Copy of your ham license
2. Copies of all certificates for courses you have passed
3. Any other pertinent info that you should have handy when working an event.
4: Note paper

Here's the ARRL link to download the "official" ARES logo:
http://www.arrl.org/logos-photos
Scroll down to the bottom of the page to download the High Res logo or go directly to
http://www.arrl.org/files/file/Logos%20and%20Photos/ares-cl-lrg.jpg

Thanks for the tips, Jim.

73,
Mike - AD4MC

Mike Cohen
(404) 981-8624

# 1328. North Fulton ARES Net, 5/15/2011, 8:30 pm

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2011-05-14 00:25:30 UTC
From: nfares@yahoogroups.com
Topic: 1328  Message: 1328

Reminder from: nfares Yahoo! Group
http://groups.yahoo.com/group/nfares/cal

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# 1329. Help with Bike event ?

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2011-05-15 12:59:12 UTC
From: w4uoc@aol.com
Topic: 1329  Message: 1329

Would any of you be interested in helping with this bike event?
If so please copy Tammy _www.nationalmssociety.org/gaa_
(http://www.nationalmssociety.org/gaa) 678-672-1000/1-800-FIGHTMS

Date: Saturday May 21st & Sunday, May 22nd Meeting up at Turner Field
(Gold Lot)
Time: 6:00am – 6:00pm
Assignment(s): HAM Radio Operator
Location: Route between Atlanta to Athens
Key Responsibilities:
· The main form of communication regarding traffic and safety along
the route
· Serve as Support and Gear vehicle co-pilots, be stationed at
break points along the route to provide communication or assist in net control
Impact: Ensure effective communications during the event to ensure the
safety of our cyclists as well as that any supplies are replenished at break
points through communication with net control. Communication is more
reliable and effective through Amateur Radio Operators.
Benefits:
* Chance to get out into the community and meet new people
* Chance to use your skills as a HAM radio operator
* To become part of the movement to do something about MS
Training and Support: Confirmation of volunteer times and dates will be
communicated immediately after registration. Prior to the event, job
descriptions, directions and additional confirmations will be provided via our
Web site or by mail. Attend a safety meeting on the Saturday morning of the
ride.
Commitment:
· Our bike rides occur Saturday and Sunday.
· We prefer a two-day commitment, but will appreciate a one day
commitment as well
· Actual time commitment each day will vary based on specific
assignment
Qualifications:
* Must be dependable and punctual.
* Must be a certified amateur radio operator
* Must have own Ham Radio
* Transportation to and from the event location is required.
Tammy Davis Vacciana
Senior Manager, Community Programs
& Chapter Services
1117 Perimeter Center West
Suite E101
Atlanta, GA 30338
Ph: 678-672-1000/1-800-FIGHTMS

Fax: 678-672-1015
_www.nationalmssociety.org/gaa_ (http://www.nationalmssociety.org/gaa)

# 1330. New Madrid Seismic Zone - National Level Exercise 2011

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2011-05-15 13:49:50 UTC
From: w4uoc@aol.com
Topic: 1330 Message: 1330

NFARES and MARS members will be participating in this exercise in support of the North American Mission Board - Disaster Relief organization Tuesday 17 May - Thursday 19 May, 2011

Tom Koch - W4UOC
EC - North Fulton ARES

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# 1331. NFARES June 14, 2011 Program

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2011-05-17 21:08:18 UTC
From: w4uoc@aol.com
Topic: 1331 Message: 1331

We have a special program scheduled for the June 14th NFARES meeting.
Lans P. Rothfusz Meteorologist in Charge (KD5EJN) with the Peachtree City National Weather Service (NOAA), will speak to our group about to the role of Amateur Radio and SkyWarn support during severe weather conditions.

Lans P. Rothfusz

I will provide more details as we get closer to the meeting date.

We will meet at our normal location at the Sandy Springs City Office Complex in the City Council Chambers training room.
The meeting will start at 7:00 p.m.

Hope to see you at this meeting.

Tom Koch - W4UOC
Emergency Coordinator - North Fulton ARES

Lans Rothfusz, MIC

# 1332. Fwd: New Madrid Fault Earthquake Zone

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2011-05-20 01:42:38 UTC
From: w4uoc@aol.com
Topic: 1332  Message: 1332

For your information.

This is waht we participated in the simulation at the NAMB

Tom Koch - W4UOC

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From: TEKOCH@...
To: W4UOC@...
Sent: 5/19/2011 9:40:41 P.M. Eastern Daylight Time
Subj: New Madrid Fault Earthquake Zone

Is the New Madrid Fault Earthquake Zone Coming To Life?

_End of the American Dream_ (http://endoftheamericandream.com/)
(http://www.addthis.com/bookmark.php)
What in the world is happening in the middle of the United States right now? Thousands of birds are falling dead from the skies, tens of thousands of fish are washing up on shore dead, earthquakes are popping up in weird and unexpected places and people are starting to get really freaked out about all of this. Well, one theory is that the New Madrid fault zone is coming to life. The New Madrid fault zone is six times bigger than the San Andreas fault zone in California and it covers portions of Illinois, Indiana, Missouri, Arkansas, Kentucky, Tennessee and Mississippi. The biggest earthquakes in the history of the United States were caused by the New Madrid fault. Now there are fears that the New Madrid fault zone could be coming to life again, and if a "killer earthquake" does strike it could change all of our lives forever.

So exactly what events have happened recently that are causing people to take a close look at the New Madrid fault zone? Well, just consider the following examples of things that have been popping up in the news lately....
* According to the U.S. Geological Survey, _more than 500 measurable earthquakes_ (http://www.upi.com/Science_News/2010/12/24/Clues-sought-in-Arkansas-earthquake-swarm/UPI-16101293217985/) have been recorded in central Arkansas just since September.

* A magnitude-3.8 earthquake that shook north-central Indiana on December 30th is being called _"unprecedented."_ (http://www.usatoday.com/news/states/2010-12-30-indiana-quake_N.htm) It was strong enough to actually cause cracks along the ground and it was felt in portions of Ohio, Illinois, Wisconsin and Kentucky.
* More than 3,000 red-wing blackbirds _fell out of the sky dead_ (http://www.usatoday.com/news/nation/2011-01-03-dead-birds_N.htm) in the Arkansas town of Beebe on New Year's Eve.

* Large numbers of dead birds _were also found in Kentucky_
(http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=ajIXYofBhGk) right around Christmas.
* Approximately _500 dead blackbirds and starlings_
(http://www.wbrz.com/news/hundreds-of-dead-blackbirds-found-near-new-roads/) were also
recently discovered in Pointe Coupee Parish, Louisiana.
* Approximately 100,000 fish _washed up dead_
(http://www.msnbc.msn.com/id/40887450/ns/us_news-environment/#) on the shores of the
Arkansas
River just last week.
So could all of these things have some other very simple explanation?
Possibly.
But the fact that they all happened in or around the New Madrid fault zone
is starting to raise some eyebrows.
About 200 years ago, in 1811 and 1812, there were four earthquakes that
were so powerful in the area of the New Madrid fault zone that they are still
talked about today. All four of the quakes were estimated to have been
magnitude-7.0 or greater. It is said that those earthquakes opened deep
fissures in the ground, caused the Mississippi River to run backwards and that
they were felt as far away as Boston.
The last major earthquake to hit the region was a 5.4-magnitude quake that
struck the town of Dale, Illinois in 1968. Things have been strangely
quiet in the region since then until recently.
If a true "killer earthquake" struck along the New Madrid fault zone
today, cities such as St. Louis, Missouri and Memphis, Tennessee could
potentially be completely destroyed.
Unfortunately, this is not an exaggeration.
The following video describes just how incredibly powerful the earthquakes
along the New Madrid fault in 1811 and 1812 actually were....

So could such a thing happen today?
Well, that is exactly what many seismologists now fear. The following
video news report from ABC News explains why so many scientists are so
concerned about the New Madrid fault zone....

One interesting theory is that the "oil volcano" unleashed by the BP oil
spill in 2010 may have sparked renewed seismic activity in that part of the
world.

Jack M. Reed, a retired Texaco geologist-geophysicist, has been carefully
studying the geology of the Gulf of Mexico for over 40 years. Reed is
convinced that the Gulf of Mexico is currently tectonically active, and that the
Gulf of Mexico is the source for most seismic activity along the New
Madrid fault.
_According to Reed_
(http://www.aapg.org/explorer/2002/11nov/rift_zone.cfm) , there is substantial evidence
that the New Madrid fault zone is
directly connected to "deeply buried tectonics" in the Gulf of Mexico....
"This entire zone through the United States is suffering some type of
tectonic activity that I believe is tied to the deeply buried tectonics in the
Gulf of Mexico."
So did BP disturb those "deeply buried tectonics" by drilling such a deep

well and unleashing all that oil that flowed into the Gulf of Mexico?
Let's hope not.
If a truly historic earthquake did strike along the New Madrid fault the amount of damage that could be done to surrounding states such as Illinois, Kentucky, Mississippi, Indiana, Alabama, Missouri, Arkansas and Tennessee could potentially be unimaginable.
Jeremy Heidt of the Tennessee Emergency Management Agency says that life in the region _would be instantly transformed_ (http://www.standeyo.com/NEWS/10_Earth_Changes/101130.New.Madrid.worries.html) in the event of a major
earthquake along the New Madrid fault....
"All communications would be out. All air travel would be out as the FAA air control would go down. All rail travel would fail. Ports would shut down; oil and natural gas pipelines could be off line."
According to a recent study by the University of Illinois, a 7.7-magnitude earthquake along the New Madrid fault would leave 3,500 people dead, more than 80,000 injured and more than 7 million homeless.

So what would happen if an 8.0 earthquake struck?
Or an 8.5?
Or a 9.0?
Remember, an 8.7-magnitude earthquake would be ten times worse than a 7.7-magnitude earthquake.
There are even some who believe that if a powerful enough earthquake hit the New Madrid fault someday it could potentially alter the surrounding geography enough that it could actually create a new major body of water in the middle of the United States.
So, no, it is not just California that needs to worry about "the Big One."
Right now seismic activity has been dramatically increasing all over the globe. Just think of the unprecedented number of volcanic eruptions that we have seen over the past year. Major earthquakes have been popping up all along the "Ring of Fire." Just over the past couple of days _a magnitude-7.1 earthquake_ (http://www.bbc.co.uk/news/world-latin-america-12106034) hit central Chile and _a magnitude-7.0 earthquake_ (http://www.abc.net.au/news/stories/2011/01/02/3104924.htm?section=justin) struck northern Argentina.
So to think that "it can't happen" in the United States is just being totally naive.
Let us hope and pray that a devastating earthquake does not hit the New Madrid fault any time soon, because such an event could completely wipe out our economy. The U.S. economy _is already teetering on the brink of disaster_ (http://endoftheamericandream.com/archives/30-reasons-why-2011-is-going-to-be-another-crappy-year-for-americas-middle-class) , and all it would take is one major blow to bring the entire house of cards crashing down.
Just remember what happened in Haiti. A magnitude-7.0 earthquake killed 230,000 people and caused such horrific devastation that it is still hard to even try to put it into words. Let us hope and pray that nothing like that happens in any U.S. city any time soon.

# 1333. North Fulton ARES Net, 5/22/2011, 8:30 pm

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2011-05-21 00:25:33 UTC
From: nfares@yahoogroups.com
Topic: 1333  Message: 1333

Reminder from: nfares Yahoo! Group
http://groups.yahoo.com/group/nfares/cal

North Fulton ARES Net
Sunday May 22, 2011
8:30 pm - 9:30 pm
(This event repeats every week.)
Location: 147.060 MHz (plus 600kHz) PL 100.0. Backup is 145.470 MHz (minus 600 kHz) PL 100.0

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# 1334. 70cm is SAFE!!!

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2011-05-21 11:49:09 UTC
From: w4uoc@aol.com
Topic: 1334  Message: 1334

FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

Contact:
Mike Lisenco, N2YBB
_n2ybb@..._ (mailto:n2ybb@...)
917-865-3538

May 19, 2011, Massapequa Park, NY - A delegation of Amateur Radio operators from the Long Island / New York City area met this morning with Congressman Peter T. King (R-NY) to discuss his recent proposed legislation, HR 607, and its impact on Amateur Radio.

Congressman King said that he fully understands and appreciates the importance
of Amateur Radio and the service it provides to the community, and that he would see to the modification of the bill so that the 420 - 440 MHz band would be
excluded from the spectrum to be auctioned. The delegation included Mike Lisenco, N2YBB, ARRL Section Manager for New York City / Long Island (NLI), Peter Portanova, WB2OQQ, NLI Local Government Liaison (LGL), George Tranos, N2GA, NLI State Government Liaison (SGL), and Jim Mezey, W2KFV, NLI ARES Section Emergency Coordinator (SEC).

"The Congressman went on to explain that it was never his intention to remove
the 70 centimeter band from Amateur use. He further asked us to `get the word
out' and inform the Amateur Radio community that 70 centimeters is not in jeopardy," said Lisenco.

Lisenco, Mezey and Tranos spoke about the importance of Amateur Radio emergency communications while Portanova, who is also the local AMSAT representative, addressed satellite and other amateur use of the 70 centimeter band.

The Congressman was very receptive to the group, who also extended an invitation to attend Field Day locations in his District.

# 1335. North Fulton ARES Net, 5/29/2011, 8:30 pm

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2011-05-28 00:25:46 UTC
From: nfares@yahoogroups.com
Topic: 1335  Message: 1335

Reminder from: nfares Yahoo! Group
http://groups.yahoo.com/group/nfares/cal

North Fulton ARES Net
Sunday May 29, 2011
8:30 pm - 9:30 pm
(This event repeats every week.)
Location: 147.060 MHz (plus 600kHz) PL 100.0. Backup is 145.470 MHz (minus 600 kHz) PL 100.0

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# 1336. North Fulton ARES Net, 6/5/2011, 8:30 pm

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2011-06-04 00:25:40 UTC
From: nfares@yahoogroups.com
Topic: 1336  Message: 1336

Reminder from: nfares Yahoo! Group
http://groups.yahoo.com/group/nfares/cal

North Fulton ARES Net
Sunday June 5, 2011
8:30 pm - 9:30 pm
(This event repeats every week.)
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# 1337. NFARES net logs 5-15,22- 2011

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2011-05-27 02:08:29 UTC
From: clyde
Topic: 1337  Message: 1337

Wayne, 2 weeks worth. North Fulton ARES net. 2030 HRS Local.Sunday.147.06 Mhz.
5-15-11 1.W4UOC Tom, Sandy Springs ,traffic
2. AD4MC Mike, Sandy Springs, battery
3. KD4NKE Sheila, mobile in Sandy Springs
4. KD9RU Dave, Milton
5. AA4FA Dan, Dunwoody, battery
6. AJ4NT Matt, Dunwoody, no traffic
7. KJ4SDU Morton,Johns Creek
8. N4SEC Jim, Alpharetta, battery, no traffic
9. KI4DSO George, Norcross, no traffic
10. KG5WU Wayne, Sandy Springs
11. AK4EX Stuart, Sandy Springs, commercial power, no traffic.
12. AK4TL Clyde, Net Control, Dunwoody, battery.
Traffic from W4UOC, Tom, A) Cherokee ARES guide available soon. B) North American Mission Board, National Level Exercise information. C) Bike ride volunteers info.
End of net.

5-22-11 Sunday, 2030 HRS Local. 147.06 Mhz.North Fulton ARES net.
1. AK4TL Clyde, Dunwoody, battery, with traffic.
2. W4UOC Tom, Sandy Springs, with traffic.
3. N4SBD Scott, Alpharetta, battery, Echolink, no traffic, only Echolink logged in.
4. N4SEC Jim, Alpharetta, battery.
5. AD4MC Mike C., Sandy Springs, battery, with traffic.
6. N4TOL John, Roswell.
7. N8TKK Dennis, Roswell.
8. AA4FA Dan, Dunwoody, battery, no traffic.
9. W5JR Mike R., Milton.
Trafffic from 1) W4UOC Tom, A) Chief Meteorologist speaking at next North Fulton ARES meeting. B) North American Mission Board , National Level Exercise report, conducted this past week.2) AD4MC Mike,Georgia Special Olympics report, conducted May 20,21,22. Recognizing KG5WU Wayne,AD4MC Mike, AK4TL Clyde, N4MPB Karen, as NFARES participants.3) AK4TL Clyde, comments on Special Olympics, North American Mission Board, and AK4TL check ins on todays GA ARES SSB and digital nets.
Conclusion of net at 2053 HRS Local.

Thanks for the reminder. I need to send these sooner. It has been busy here with family.
Clyde.

--- On Thu, 5/26/11, Wayne Chapman <wcchapman@...> wrote:

From: Wayne Chapman <wcchapman@...>
Subject: Re: net log?
To: "CLYDE MCCLAIN" <mcclain383@...>
Date: Thursday, May 26, 2011, 8:27 PM

Hi Clyde,

An earlier email to you got bounced back to me today. Gonna try it once again.

Wayne

On 5/23/2011 2:03 PM, Wayne Chapman wrote:
> Hi Clyde,
>
> Can you please post Sunday night's net log to the Yahoo Group so I can get the check-in info?
>
> Thanks!
>
> Wayne
> kg5wu

# 1338. National Hurricane Conference

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2011-05-14 00:12:39 UTC
From: Alan Stern
Topic: 1278  Message: 1338

I checked the archives and cannot find any postings about the conference.
Anyone got any news?

# 1339. Re: National Hurricane Conference

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2011-06-06 01:09:57 UTC
From: Jim Stafford W4QO
Topic: 1278  Message: 1339

Chuck and I attended the conference. It was very interesting but not a lot of info to report. There is an echolink net that meets on Saturday night that I have high hopes of hooking into our 147.06 machine some evening but so much to do, so little time to do it!!!

There was nothing at the amateur radio session about upcoming hurricanes or anything like that. Just reporting on preparations of various groups CLOSER to the action than we are!

jim/w4qo

--- In nfares@yahoogroups.com, Alan Stern <alanlists@...> wrote:
>
> I checked the archives and cannot find any postings about the conference.
> Anyone got any news?
>

# 1340. NFARES 2-meter net, Sunday, June 5, 2011

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2011-06-06 01:14:37 UTC
From: MikeC
Topic: 1340  Message: 1340

We had 15 check-ins on the NFARES 2-meter net, Sunday, June 5, 2011
W4UOC - Tom, Sandy Springs, EC North Fulton, BP
N4SEC - Jim, Alpharetta/Lake Lanier, Echolink
KG5WU - Wayne, Sandy Springs, BP
K4YJI ☐ Bill, E. Cobb, BP
N4SBD ☐ Scott, Alpharetta, BP
KD9RU ☐ Dave, Milton
W4CCH ☐ Chris, Woodstock, BP
AK4EX ☐ Stuart, Sandy Springs
KI4DSO ☐ George, Norcross
AJ4NT ☐ Matt, Mobile Cobb
N4TOL ☐ John, Roswell, Pres., NFARL
AA4FA - Dan, Dunwoody, BP
AK4TL ☐ Clyde, Echolink
N4CLA ☐ Fred, Roswell
AD4MC (NCS) ☐ Mike, Sandy Springs, BP

BP = Battery Power

Comments:
W4UOC;
We have a special program scheduled for the June 14th NFARES meeting. Lans P. RothfuszMeteorologist in Charge (KD5EJN) with the Peachtree City National Weather Service (NOAA), will speak to our group about to the role of Amateur Radio and SkyWarn support during severe weather conditions.

NFARL will be represented at this year's Field Day using the North American Mission Board's (NAMB) Disaster Relief Trailer. NFARES will be demonstrating digital message handlin gincluding sending "regular" e-mail via VHF RF. The FD digital station, headed up by Niel, N4FN and MARS will also be represented in the trailer.

K4YJI;
Checked in to the 80M GA ARES Net on digital, voice and WinLink.
AK4TL and AD4MC also checked into the digital net.

The next scheduled net will be Sunday, June 12th. This net closed at 8:53 PM.

73,
Mike - AD4MC
404-981-8624

# 1341. NFARES June 14th Meeting Agenda

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2011-06-07 15:39:42 UTC
From: w4uoc@aol.com
Topic: 1341  Message: 1341
Attachments: 1 described; binary payloads are missing from this source WARC

Lans Rothfusz Meteorologist in Charge of the Peachtree National Weather Service will be the speaker for our June 14th NFARES meeting scheduled to be held at the Sandy Springs City Council Chambers, Building 500 starting at 7:00 p.m.

Lans Rothfusz, MIC

A map of the Sandy Springs City Office Complex is attached.

Tom Koch - W4UOC
EC - NFARES

# 1342. North Fulton County ARES Meeting, 6/14/2011, 7:00 pm

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2011-06-07 22:58:19 UTC
From: nfares@yahoogroups.com
Topic: 1342  Message: 1342

Reminder from: nfares Yahoo! Group
http://groups.yahoo.com/group/nfares/cal

North Fulton County ARES Meeting
Tuesday June 14, 2011
7:00 pm - 8:30 pm
(This event repeats every month on the second Tuesday.)
(The next reminder for this event will be sent in 6 days, 1 minute.)
Location: Sandy Springs City Council Chambers
Street: Morgan Falls Office Park, 7840 Roswell Road Building 500
City State Zip: Sandy Springs, GA 30350

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# 1343. NAMAB DR Command Trailer Aavailability

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2011-06-10 17:03:11 UTC
From: w4uoc@aol.com
Topic: 1343  Message: 1343
Attachments: 1 described; binary payloads are missing from this source WARC

As you will see, in the attached email, we will not be able to utilize the NAMB Disaster Relief Command Trailer at the upcoming Field Day event. We will discuss our NFARES involvement at the NFARES meeting on Tuesday evening.

We will still be able to support Field Day with other needed activities once we can get commitments from our NFARES members to support this effort.

Tom Koch - W4UOC

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From: jcape@...
To: W4UOC@...
Sent: 6/10/2011 9:50:12 A.M. Eastern Daylight Time
Subj: FW: Visit to check out DR Command Trailer

Hello Tom,
The Command Post is still deployed in Brimfield, MA. At this point it does not look like it will be returned in time for your event on June 25th. It will be used in MA until 6/24 at least, and it is probable that it may further deploy to Williston, VT.
We regret any difficulties this causes to you and the radio team, but it is an unavoidable situation we SBDR volunteers respond to the needs in the Northeast.
Thank you,

Judy Cape
Ministry Assistant/Events
Disaster Relief
North American Mission Board
Phone: (770) 410-6507 Fax: (678) 624-3676
"The Lord keeps watch over you as you come and go, both now and forever."
Psalm 121:8

_www.namb.net/dr_ (http://www.namb.net/dr)

From: Poss, Bruce
Sent: Monday, June 06, 2011 1:07 PM
To: W4UOC@...
Cc: Cape, Judy
Subject: RE: Visit to check out DR Command Trailer

It is presently deployed to Brimfield, MA. We hope it will be back before you need it. I will keep you updated.

From: W4UOC@... [mailto:W4UOC@...]
Sent: Monday, June 06, 2011 12:50 PM
To: Poss, Bruce
Subject: Visit to check out DR Command Trailer

Bruce,

I wondered if it might be possible to go look at the DR Command Trailer
that you mentioned we might be able to use during the Amateur Radio Field Day
on June 25 and 26.

I need to check out the power connector so we can attach our generator.

Tom Koch

404-314-6109

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# 1344. North Fulton ARES Net, 6/12/2011, 8:30 pm

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2011-06-11 00:25:47 UTC
From: nfares@yahoogroups.com
Topic: 1344  Message: 1344

Reminder from: nfares Yahoo! Group
http://groups.yahoo.com/group/nfares/cal

North Fulton ARES Net
Sunday June 12, 2011
8:30 pm - 9:30 pm
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# 1345. NFARES 2-meter net, Sunday, June 12, 2011

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2011-06-13 02:06:49 UTC
From: MikeC
Topic: 1345  Message: 1345

We had 10 check-ins on the NFARES 2-meter net, Sunday, June 12, 2011
W4UOC - Tom, Sandy Springs, EC North Fulton, BP
KD9RU ☐ Dave, Milton
N4SEC - Jim, Alpharetta, BP
N4SBD ☐ Scott, Alpharetta, BP
K4YJI ☐ Bill, E. Cobb, BP
N4CUS ☐ John, Roswell
W4QO ☐ Jim, W. Roswell, BP
AA4FA - Dan, Dunwoody, BP
AK4TL ☐ Clyde, Echolink
AD4MC (NCS) ☐ Mike, Sandy Springs, BP

BP = Battery Power

Comments:
W4UOC;
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NFARES will be represented at this year's NFARL Field Day. The North American Mission Board's (NAMB) Disaster Relief Trailer has been deployed in another state and will not be available as had been planned. Arrangements are being made to find an alternate trailer. NFARES will be demonstrating digital message handling including sending "regular" e-mail via VHF RF. The FD digital station, headed up by Niel, N4FN, and MARS will also be represented in the trailer.

Dunwoody has joined ChatCom and we will be working to include Dunwoody in our support planning.

K4YJI;
Checked in to the 80M GA ARES Net on digital, voice and WinLink.
W4UOC also checked into the digital and voice nets.

KD9RU;
Dave notified us that he will be moving from Atlanta (Milton) and also that his wife was in a serious car accident on Memorial Day weekend. Fortunately, she was not seriously injured. All stations on the net wished Dave and his family good luck, expressed our friendships and hope that we will meet again.

The next scheduled net will be Sunday, June 19th. This net closed at 8:49 PM.

73,
Mike - AD4MC
404-981-8624

# 1346. AC/Heat Pump For Sale

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2011-06-13 16:12:06 UTC
From: w4uoc@aol.com
Topic: 1346  Message: 1346

I have a Carrier 220vac window 10kBTU Air Conditioner/Heat Pump for sale that I used in my ham shack that is now excess to my needs. I am asking $200.00 or best offer.

Tom Koch - W4UOC
404-314-6109

# 1347. North Fulton County ARES Meeting, 6/14/2011, 7:00 pm

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2011-06-13 22:58:20 UTC
From: nfares@yahoogroups.com
Topic: 1342  Message: 1347

Reminder from: nfares Yahoo! Group
http://groups.yahoo.com/group/nfares/cal

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# 1348. NFARES Trailer for Field Day?

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2011-06-16 00:49:56 UTC
From: w4uoc@aol.com
Topic: 1348  Message: 1348
Attachments: 2 described; binary payloads are missing from this source WARC

Ian

Mike Cohen, Clyde McClain and I meet at the Milton Fire Department to review the trailer that they have offered to us to use for the ARES promotion/demonstration for the upcoming Field Day. We will also have a demonstration area for MARS inside the trailer in the area normally used for the kitchen just to the left of the entrance door. NFARES will provide their own antennas to use for sending messages out of the field day site for visitors using VHF D/Star, packet or MARS frequencies not associated with the normal amateur radio frequencies.

It is basically a 32 ft FEMA trailer with a slide out extension.

The floor plan sketch has been attached. It will easily have room for the digital HF station, the 6 meter/VHF station and the ARES message handling equipment.

I need a decision from you and your advisory team if you want us to bring it for set up on Saturday morning and have it removed on Sunday afternoon. I need the decision Thursday as early as possible. I will be out of town until the Friday before Field Day.

I also need a map as to where you would want it parked as it will be delivered Saturday by the Milton Fire commander on duty on the weekend.

I need the placement map by tomorrow as the Fire Marshal will be leaving on Friday.

Tom Koch - W4UOC
EC - North Fulton ARES

# 1349. Re: NFARES Trailer for Field Day?

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2011-06-16 02:02:29 UTC
From: Jim Stafford
Topic: 1348 Message: 1349

Tom,

Looks good! The only wrinkle I see is - what will you use to power it. If we put it near the center island of the park, then it could run off the big 15 kw generator with no problem. But that puts the digital station right below the 40M loop. If we put it where we had planned to put the digital station (over in the SE corner of the lot), then we have to provide its own power. Not a problem ... I think the power dude (Bill) has a generator to use on it but I could be wrong. Ian will have to answer that. But if you can accomodate both the digital and the vhf/uhf stations, then the SE corner is about the only place it could go. A really good place BTW - not far from the food and shelter area where everyone congregates.

W4QO Jim Stafford www.w4qo.com QRP - When you care enough to send the very least!

--- On Wed, 6/15/11, W4UOC@... <W4UOC@...> wrote:

From: W4UOC@... <W4UOC@...>
Subject: NFARES Trailer for Field Day?
To: ak4ik.ian@..., qrp@..., ad4mc.mike@..., mcclain383@..., jpaine@...
Cc: vesterscott@..., nfares@yahoogroups.com
Date: Wednesday, June 15, 2011, 8:49 PM

Ian

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Tom Koch - W4UOC
EC - North Fulton ARES

# 1350. North Fulton ARES Net, 6/19/2011, 8:30 pm

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2011-06-18 00:25:52 UTC
From: nfares@yahoogroups.com
Topic: 1350  Message: 1350

Reminder from: nfares Yahoo! Group
http://groups.yahoo.com/group/nfares/cal

North Fulton ARES Net
Sunday June 19, 2011
8:30 pm - 9:30 pm
(This event repeats every week.)
Location: 147.060 MHz (plus 600kHz) PL 100.0. Backup is 145.470 MHz (minus 600 kHz) PL 100.0

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# 1351. NFARES 2-meter net, Sunday, June 19, 2011

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2011-06-20 01:40:18 UTC
From: swilliams2549@charter.net
Topic: 1351  Message: 1351
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# 1352. Field Day Bulletin Schedule - We need a copy for Field Day report

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2011-06-20 19:22:27 UTC
From: w4uoc@aol.com
Topic: 1352  Message: 1352

As many of you that can, try to copy the W1AW Field Day Bulletin.
preferably using a digital mode, copy the text and email it to Ian Kahn and me.

Tom Koch - W4UOC
_w4uoc@..._ (mailto:w4uoc@...)

QST de W1AW
Special Bulletin 3 ARLX003
From ARRL Headquarters
Newington CT June 20, 2011
To all radio amateurs

SB SPCL ARL ARLX003
ARLX003 2011 W1AW Field Day Bulletin Schedule

Day Mode Pacific Mountain Central Eastern

FRIDAY CW 5:00 PM 6:00 PM 7:00 PM 8:00 PM
Digital 6:00 PM 7:00 PM 8:00 PM 9:00 PM
Phone 6:45 PM 7:45 PM 8:45 PM 9:45 PM
CW 8:00 PM 9:00 PM 10:00 PM 11:00 PM

SATURDAY CW 7:00 AM 8:00 AM 9:00 AM 10:00 AM
Phone 8:00 AM 9:00 AM 10:00 AM 11:00 AM
CW 5:00 PM 6:00 PM 7:00 PM 8:00 PM
Digital 6:00 PM 7:00 PM 8:00 PM 9:00 PM
Phone 6:45 PM 7:45 PM 8:45 PM 9:45 PM

SUNDAY CW 7:00 AM 8:00 AM 9:00 AM 10:00 AM
Phone 8:00 AM 9:00 AM 10:00 AM 11:00 AM
Digital 9:00 AM 10:00 AM 11:00 AM 12:00 PM

K6KPH Field Day Bulletin Schedule

SATURDAY CW 7:30 AM 8:30 AM 9:30 AM 10:30 AM
CW 5:30 PM 6:30 PM 7:30 PM 8:30 PM
Digital 6:30 PM 7:30 PM 8:30 PM 9:30 PM

SUNDAY CW 7:30 AM 8:30 AM 9:30 AM 10:30 AM
Digital 9:30 AM 10:30 AM 11:30 AM 12:30 AM

W1AW will operate on its regularly published frequencies.

CW frequencies are 1.8025, 3.5815, 7.0475, 14.0475, 18.0975,
21.0675, 28.0675 and 147.555 MHz.

Digital frequencies are 3.5975, 7.095, 14.095, 18.1025, 21.095,
28.095 and 147.555 MHz.

Phone frequencies are 1.855, 3.990, 7.290, 14.290, 18.160, 21.390, 28.590 and 147.555 MHz.

W1AW will transmit the Field Day bulletin using 45.45-baud Baudot, PSK31 in BPSK mode and MFSK16.

The Maritime Radio Historical Society station K6KPH will transmit the 2011 W1AW Field Day bulletin for the benefit of West Coast stations on 3.5815, 7.0475, 14.0475, 18.0975 and 21.0675 MHz using CW.

K6KPH will transmit the Field Day bulletin using Baudot, FEC AMTOR, BPSK31 and MFSK16 on 7.095 and 14.095 MHz.

The K6KPH schedule is accurate as of June 20, 2011.

Any additional transmissions or changes in the schedule will be posted on the web in PDF format at, http://www.arrl.org/files/file/Field-Day/2011/2011_W1AW_Sked.pdf.

# 1353. Fw: Extra Points for Field Day!

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2011-06-22 14:52:57 UTC
From: Jim Stafford
Topic: 1353  Message: 1353

This is info you may have seen but it outlines the message Tom and folks are sending to the Section Manager - Gene Sykes..

W4QO Jim Stafford www.w4qo.com QRP - When you care enough to send the very least!

--- On Wed, 6/22/11, ARRL Members Only Web site <memberlist@...> wrote:

From: ARRL Members Only Web site <memberlist@...>
Subject: Extra Points for Field Day!
To: w4qo@...
Date: Wednesday, June 22, 2011, 9:28 AM

Your Section Traffic Manager wants to remind you that one purpose of
Field Day is training, and that you can get an extra 100 points for
originating a piece of formal traffic to the Section Manager.  It MUST
leave the field day site by amateur radio--any frequency or mode.
After that it may be referred by any method:  Email, telephone,
shouting, whatever.  You may send it to any traffic net, SSB or CW, to
"W4AYK, Albany  GA", or via Winlink to w4ayk@....  After it
leaves the field day site via amateur radio, the internet works well
for the next hop:  w4ayk@arrl.org.  If you radio me at some field day
site, that is OK, but not necessary.  And delivery time is not
important.  It can come 2 days later for that matter.
ALSO:  HAVE FUN!
CU
Gene

---
ARRL Georgia Section
Section Manager: Eugene C Clark, W4AYK
w4ayk@...
---

To unsubscribe from messages, go to:
http://p1k.arrl.org/oo/3eaaf018f1da891eb16a03602d711801

# 1354. North Fulton ARES Net, 6/26/2011, 8:30 pm

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2011-06-25 00:25:46 UTC
From: nfares@yahoogroups.com
Topic: 1354  Message: 1354

Reminder from: nfares Yahoo! Group
http://groups.yahoo.com/group/nfares/cal

North Fulton ARES Net
Sunday June 26, 2011
8:30 pm - 9:30 pm
(This event repeats every week.)
Location: 147.060 MHz (plus 600kHz) PL 100.0. Backup is 145.470 MHz (minus 600 kHz) PL 100.0

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# 1355. NFARES 2-meter net, Sunday, June 26, 2011

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2011-06-27 01:10:37 UTC
From: MikeC
Topic: 1355  Message: 1355

We had 9 check-ins on the NFARES 2-meter net, Sunday, June 26, 2011
W4UOC - Tom, Sandy Springs, EC North Fulton, BP
AK4EX ☐ Stuart, Sandy Springs ☐ Echolink, BP
W4QO ☐ Jim, W. Roswell, Echolink, BP
N4SBD ☐ Scott, Alpharetta, Echolink -BP
N4SEC - Jim, Alpharetta, BP
N4JDO ☐ Marty, E. Cobb
AK4TL ☐ Clyde, Dunwoody, BP
AA4FA - Dan, Dunwoody, BP
AD4MC (NCS) ☐ Mike, Sandy Springs, BP

BP = Battery Power

Comments:
W4UOC;
NFARES was represented at this year's NFARL Field Day. The North American Mission Board's (NAMB) Disaster Relief Trailer had been deployed in another state and was not available as had been planned. Tom made the arrangements to use the Milton FD emergency trailer instead. NFARES demonstrated digital message handling including sending "regular" e-mail via VHF RF. We sent over 11 NTS formatted messages included one to our GA Section Manager, Gene, W4AYK. The FD digital station, headed up by Niel, N4FN, a 6M station and MARS were also be represented in the trailer.

Tom logged into the GA Digital Net today.

The next scheduled net will be Sunday, July 3rd. This net closed at 8:44 PM.

73,
Mike - AD4MC
404-981-8624

# 1356. Nebraska Hams Needed to Provide Access to 911 Services

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2011-06-27 01:33:15 UTC
From: Mike Cohen
Topic: 1356  Message: 1356

Not too different from what we have already been called out to do when
Chatcom was not working properly. Something to think about...

http://www.arrl.org/news/nebraska-hams-needed-to-provide-access-to-911-services

73,

Mike - AD4MC

# 1357. Field Day Pictures

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2011-06-27 11:15:03 UTC
From: w4uoc@aol.com
Topic: 1357  Message: 1357

I am preparing a thank you letter to the city of Milton for the use of their Fire/Rescue Command Trailer at our NFARL field day. I would like to add a picture or two to the letter. Did anyone take a digital picture that would include the exterior and/or interior of the Milton Trailer I could use as an attachment to this letter? I want to get this in the mail as soon as possible?

Tom Koch - W4UOC

# 1358. Thank You from North Fulton Amateur Radio Emergency Service

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2011-06-27 11:58:34 UTC
From: w4uoc@aol.com
Topic: 1358  Message: 1358
Attachments: 1 described; binary payloads are missing from this source WARC

Chief Edgar and Matt Marietta,

I will follow up this email with a more formal "Thank You Letter" but I wanted to let you know that we really appreciated the use of the Milton Fire/Rescue Command Trailer during the Amateur Radio Field Day event on Saturday June 25 and Sunday June 26. During field day we had 260+ visitors come to view or participate in our Field Day communications efforts. We logged more than 3,000 voice, data or CW contacts during the 24 hour event utilizing four transmission sites.

Many of the visitors commented that our Field Day demonstrations gave them a better understanding of how amateur radio could provide backup communications support to various city public service agencies in a time of need.

A special thanks to the Milton Fire/Rescue crews that delivered and picked up the trailer.

Regards

Tom Koch - W4UOC
Emergency Coordinator - North Fulton Amateur Radio Emergency Service

# 1359. North Fulton ARES Net, 7/3/2011, 8:30 pm

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2011-07-02 00:25:48 UTC
From: nfares@yahoogroups.com
Topic: 1359  Message: 1359

Reminder from: nfares Yahoo! Group
http://groups.yahoo.com/group/nfares/cal

North Fulton ARES Net
Sunday July 3, 2011
8:30 pm - 9:30 pm
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# 1360. North Fulton County ARES Meeting, 7/12/2011, 7:00 pm

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2011-07-05 22:58:33 UTC
From: nfares@yahoogroups.com
Topic: 1360  Message: 1360

Reminder from: nfares Yahoo! Group
http://groups.yahoo.com/group/nfares/cal

North Fulton County ARES Meeting
Tuesday July 12, 2011
7:00 pm - 8:30 pm
(This event repeats every month on the second Tuesday.)
(The next reminder for this event will be sent in 6 days, 1 minute.)
Location: Sandy Springs City Council Chambers
Street: Morgan Falls Office Park, 7840 Roswell Road Building 500
City State Zip: Sandy Springs, GA 30350

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# 1361. North Fulton ARES NET on Sunday, July 3rd, 2011 at 8:30pm EDT

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2011-07-06 13:13:12 UTC
From: Scott Dunbar
Topic: 1361  Message: 1361

Message ID: A90BFUZC0G5P
Date: 2011/07/04 01:19
From: N4SBD
To: w4gk@arrl.net; n4sbd@...; W4UOC
Source: N4SBD
Subject: //WL2K North Fulton ARES NET on Sunday, July 3rd, 2011 at 8:30pm EDT

We had the following check-ins, all RF, on 147.060Mhz PL 100.

N4SBD Scott Battery Power
w4uoc Tom Battery Power
kd4nke Shiela
ki4dso George
n4bta Bret Battery Power
kb4kay Todd
wo4mw Mark
w4qo Jim Battery Power

Notes: W4UOC announced that the grant to place D-Star radios in all the Sandy Springs Fire Stations has most likely been approved. Details to follow at the next on-site ARES meeting, on 7/12/2011.
-Scott de N4SBD
Scott Dunbar
Global Solutions Manager
NOKIA
(t) +1 404-828-0236
(e) scott.dunbar@...<mailto:scott.dunbar@...>

# 1362. ARRL 2011 Hurricane Season Webinar

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2011-07-07 22:02:00 UTC
From: Dan AA4FA
Topic: 1361  Message: 1362

May be of interest:
http://www.arrl.org/news/register-for-upcoming-webinar-on-amateur-radio-response-to-2011-hurricane-season

73, Dan
AA4FA

# 1363. Request for support of Metro Medical Response System - Emergency Communications.

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2011-07-08 18:24:25 UTC
From: w4uoc@aol.com
Topic: 1363  Message: 1363

I have been asked by the Metro Medical Response Team what handheld VHF or uhf radios we would use if activated in support of a mass casualty emergency. Can you send via email the handheld that you would use if activated to support a mass casualty situation.

We will have the Fulton County MMRS/MMST purchase at least one set of cables so that we could connect one handheld radio to a radio bridge to assure interoperability with pubic safety or federal communications systems.

As and example I own a Yaesu VX-8R, Icom 92-AD handheld radio. Both require a different cable that connects with the microphone (ptt) and audio output.

If my radio was at the command site where there was a radio bridge my radio would be connected to the bridge via the mic/ptt/audio output and then it would connect to the bridge and other public service or federal radio systems.

I realize that it would have to be a true emergency to interconnect these systems due to licensing/regulations but in an actual emergency this can be legally done.

Tom Koch - W4UOC
EC - NFARES

# 1364. North Fulton ARES Net, 7/10/2011, 8:30 pm

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2011-07-09 00:25:39 UTC
From: nfares@yahoogroups.com
Topic: 1364  Message: 1364

Reminder from: nfares Yahoo! Group
http://groups.yahoo.com/group/nfares/cal

North Fulton ARES Net
Sunday July 10, 2011
8:30 pm - 9:30 pm
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# 1365. set2011_station_locations-master (nfares@yahoogroups.com)

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2011-07-09 12:35:21 UTC
From: ad4mc.mike@gmail.com
Topic: 1365  Message: 1365

I've shared a document with you:

set2011_station_locations-master
https://spreadsheets.google.com/spreadsheet/ccc?key=0Ah8TgYV27SbEdHJaQTU1OW43dFdaTkZTRUhNQ0ZwdEE&authkey=CNvC77QG&invite=CJCcsAQ

It's not an attachment -- it's stored online at Google Docs. To open this document, just click the link above.

# 1366. Planning for the NFARES 2011 SET on Sunday, October 9th from 3-6PM

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2011-07-09 12:35:47 UTC
From: Mike Cohen
Topic: 1366  Message: 1366

NFARES Team,

Here are two Google Doc Files that we will be discussing during our Tuesday night NFARES meeting:

*http://tinyurl.com/2011SET*
*
*
*http://tinyurl.com/2010-SET-REVIEW*
*
*
You can check them out before the meeting and have your questions and comments ready.
*
*
73,
Mike - AD4MC

Mike Cohen
(404) 981-8624

# 1367. 2010 NFARES SET Review.odt (nfares@yahoogroups.com)

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2011-07-09 12:41:09 UTC
From: ad4mc.mike@gmail.com
Topic: 1367  Message: 1367

I've shared a document with you:

2010 NFARES SET Review.odt
https://docs.google.com/document/d/1IcKiLjqih611sNxfalpgKQ-TmLpzQGZnHJFyDhtbiAw/edit?authkey=CIKg3vwH&invite=CJ6Pm9wF

It's not an attachment -- it's stored online at Google Docs. To open this document, just click the link above.

# 1368. NFARES 2-meter net, Sunday, July 10, 2011

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2011-07-11 01:29:07 UTC
From: MikeC
Topic: 1368  Message: 1368

We had 14 check-ins on the NFARES 2-meter net, Sunday, July 10, 2011
W4UOC - Tom, Sandy Springs, EC North Fulton, BP
N4SEC - Jim, Alpharetta, Echolink, BP
N4SBD ☐ Scott, Alpharetta, Echolink, BP
AK4TL ☐ Clyde, Dunwoody, BP
W4QO ☐ Jim, W. Roswell, BP
AA4FA - Dan, Dunwoody, BP
KJ4YJI ☐ Bill, E. Cobb, BP
AK4EX ☐ Stuart, Sandy Springs, BP
AE4CW ☐ Chuck, E. Cobb
KG5WU ☐ Wayne, Sandy Springs, BP
N4BTA ☐ Bret, Alpharetta, BP
KK4CLE ☐ Jay, Marietta, BP
N4MPB ☐ Karen, Johns Creek, BP
AD4MC (NCS) ☐ Mike, Sandy Springs, BP

BP = Battery Power

Comments:
W4UOC;
The agenda for the July 12th NFARES meeting will include the following not necessarily in this this order.

1. Review of 2010 SET and a postmortem on what we could improve on even though we had a very high score as published in QSt as Metro Atlanta with the call of N4SEG. I don't know why that happened but somehow Steve's call got assigned to it. Probably because most others were all counties and maybe they did not understand NFARES was North Fulton.

2. Initial planning session for the 2011 SET Lt. Humble is planning a Tornado Preparedness SET for the fall in Sandy Springs and we may be able to work it into the NFARES SET.

3. Review of NFARES involvement in the 2011 Field Day. (Power point)

4. Update on Sandy Springs "Grant" award for 10 D/Star radios. Hopefully Chief Scarbrough and Lt. Humble will be there to discuss the placement/installation of this equipment.

N4BTA;
N4BTA and W4UOC logged into the GA ARES Digital Net today.

K4YJI logged into the GA ARES net today using Winlink

The next scheduled net will be Sunday, July 17th. This net closed at 8:46 PM.

73,
Mike - AD4MC
404-981-8624

# 1369. NFARES MEETING TUESDAY JULY 12TH - LOCATION CHANGE

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2011-07-11 19:05:02 UTC
From: w4uoc@aol.com
Topic: 1369  Message: 1369

THE NFARES MEETING WILL BE IN THE BREAKROOM OF THE CITY COUNCIL BUILDING
FOR TUESDAY JULY 12TH STARTING AT 7:00 P.M.

TOM KOCH

# 1370. North Fulton County ARES Meeting, 7/12/2011, 7:00 pm

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2011-07-11 22:58:48 UTC
From: nfares@yahoogroups.com
Topic: 1360  Message: 1370

Reminder from: nfares Yahoo! Group
http://groups.yahoo.com/group/nfares/cal

North Fulton County ARES Meeting
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7:00 pm - 8:30 pm
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Street: Morgan Falls Office Park, 7840 Roswell Road Building 500
City State Zip: Sandy Springs, GA 30350

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# 1371. Portable car antennas

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2011-07-13 02:02:29 UTC
From: Mike Cohen
Topic: 1371  Message: 1371

George - KI4DSO & Bill - KJ4YJI (& anyone else interested in our discussion of a tire brace for a portable mast),

Continuing on the discussion we had this evening at our NFARES meeting...

Here's a link I recently received..
http://www.united-states-flag.com/flag-pole-car-stand.html#

I wonder if we could use it with one of these...
http://www.lowes.com/ProductDisplay?partNumber=102924-1003-PO15&langId=-1&storeId=10151&productId=1000891&catalogId=10051&cmRelshp=req&rel=nofollow&cId=PDIO1
or these...
http://www.hamradio.com/detail.cfm?pid=H0-005414

to hold one of these...
http://www.dxengineering.com/Parts.asp?ID=4741&PLID=336&SecID=169&DeptID=54&PartNo=DIA-X50A
or these...
http://www.gigaparts.com/store.php?action=profile&sku=ZJS-JTB3
or whatever antenna you want to use....

Just dreaming....

73,
Mike - AD4MC

Mike Cohen
(404) 981-8624

# 1372. Re: Portable car antennas

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2011-07-13 15:02:48 UTC
From: AE4CW
Topic: 1371  Message: 1372

Mike,

Nice find on the car tire support!

The painter pole I have is about 1" in diameter so would require some shimming to fit the 2" tire support. I also have an equivalent of the MFJ fiberglass pole; it is thin-walled fiberglass and very flexible and would not be suitable for a vertical like the Diamond.

A couple of alternatives:
1) Military aluminum mast sections (4') are very strong and about 1.66" in diameter, so a little shimming would be required at the base. They are generally around $3-4 each at Hamfests. They will be good to 12-16 feet without guying and with guying they will hold almost anything you might use on VHF/UHF.

2) Max-Gain Systems has very strong and relative stiff fiberglass telescoping masts at very good prices"
http://www.mgs4u.com/fiberglass-push-up-mast.htm#32ft

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Chuck, AE4CW

# 1373. Re: Portable car antennas

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2011-07-13 15:11:56 UTC
From: Jim Stafford W4QO
Topic: 1371  Message: 1373

Chuck, Mike and all:

One thing that Gary K9AY taught me an FDIM one year in his talk
was to use either black tape or duct tape to wrap the shim around the
masts. You can put on too little or too much and either add or subtract from it to get the shim. I use a painter pole with two wraps of duct tape - one at bottom and one near top of my tire base to hold the dual band mobile antenna about 15 feet in air.

As to the collapsible pole from MFJ - I have used that pole but only the bottom 22 feet of it or about that to hold a hamstick dipole setup at the NoGA QRP field event one year and was "first on air" and made a contact in NY state with it on 40M.

jim/w4qo
--- In nfares@yahoogroups.com, "AE4CW" <ae4cw@...> wrote:
>
> Mike,
>
> Nice find on the car tire support!
>
> The painter pole I have is about 1" in diameter so would require some shimming to fit the 2" tire support.

# 1374. Re: Portable car antennas

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2011-07-13 15:17:20 UTC
From: Jim Stafford W4QO
Topic: 1371  Message: 1374

Jackite has the poles a bit cheaper than MFJ but not as handy availabilty as MFJ probably:

http://www.jackite.com/product_info.php?products_id=132

Wow, I see they have raised their prices! Now not much difference in price ($69.95). They used to be $54.95 plus shipping (no tax).

May not be worth it. As note, the 16 footers make good 20M vertical wire holders but you can get those at Pro Bass out I-85.

I found my "tire base" in trash at the store where someone left it. It is a canopy hold down but they were throwing away an aluminum one. Lucky me - happy dance!!

jim/w4qo

--- In nfares@yahoogroups.com, Mike Cohen <ad4mc.mike@...> wrote:
>
> George - KI4DSO & Bill - KJ4YJI (& anyone else interested in our discussion
> of a tire brace for a portable mast),
>
> Continuing on the discussion we had this evening at our NFARES meeting...
>
> Here's a link I recently received..
> http://www.united-states-flag.com/flag-pole-car-stand.html#
>

# 1375. Re: Portable car antennas

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2011-07-13 15:26:15 UTC
From: byjimeny
Topic: 1371  Message: 1375

All,

I see this nice video of geese flying using the Jackite poles:

http://www.jackite.com/Vids/Fly.mpg

Also, I note that they have bamboo poles for $14 which would support 20M wire vertical.

Also, they have some deck mounts that might come in handy for stealth use! Put the antenna up at night!

www.jackite.com

Also, I pulled up my twin lead j-pole one night during the ARES net
and heard EVERYONE on the input to the repeater. I use a small string and got it up about 45 feet!!! Height matters!

They also have what is called a "platinum pole". Not sure what that is. It goes to 22', a bit longer than painter pole ... probably worth a phone call but no time here at the moment!

jim/w4qo

--- In nfares@yahoogroups.com, "Jim Stafford W4QO" <qrp@...> wrote:
>
> Jackite has the poles

# 1376. For a Night Each Year, the Airwaves Buzz With Morse Code

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2011-07-14 19:06:38 UTC
From: w4uoc@aol.com
Topic: 1376 Message: 1376

Jim Wilson/The New York Times

Bill Ruck participated Tuesday in an event honoring Morse code, which linked the world long before Twitter. _More Photos »_ (http://www.nytimes.com/slideshow/2011/07/13/us/MORSE.html)
By _JESSE McKINLEY_ (http://topics.nytimes.com/top/reference/timestopics/people/m/jesse_mckinley/index.html?inline=nyt-per)
Published: July 13, 2011

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POINT REYES NATIONAL SEASHORE, Calif. — It has been a little more than a decade since the last of the nation’s commercial Morse code radio stations officially went off the air, as new technology sank a system that had been a lingua franca of maritime communication since before the Titanic.

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Jim Wilson/The New York Times
KPH, whose buildings are now part of the Point Reyes National Seashore in California, northwest of San Francisco, was long part of the nation's Morse code network. The station was one site of Tuesday's event. _More Photos »_ (http://www.nytimes.com/slideshow/2011/07/13/us/MORSE.html)

But like transmissions that continue to travel through the cosmos long after their original senders are gone, there are some things that refuse to die. And on Tuesday, several outposts of Morse code blazed to life again, if only for a night, with the help of a group of enthusiasts bent on preserving what they call “the music of Morse,” one key tap at a time.
The occasion was an annual radio reboot known as the Night of Nights, held

every year on the anniversary of the last Morse code broadcast from a coastal California station in 1999, which included a traditional sign-off (“We wish you fair winds and following seas”) and more than a few teary-eyed former radio operators.
On Tuesday, though, some of those old key men were back on the job, broadcasting from the former headquarters of a marine Morse station in Northern California, KPH, and joined on air by two other stations outside Seattle and in Mobile, Ala., all to honor a system that linked the world long before the Internet, e-mail and Twitter.
“It’s just beeps in the air, but it just meant everything to people,” said Richard Dillman, a self-described “radio squirrel” who serves as president of the nonprofit _Maritime Radio Historical Society_ (http://www.radiomarine.org/) , which sponsors the event. “And we are the only thing standing.”

Or buzzing, as it were, as more than a dozen volunteers assembled at KPH’s receiving and transmitting stations, two dusty but rock-solid structures that are now part of the Point Reyes National Seashore, northwest of San Francisco.
Closed in 1997, the station’s receiving headquarters is like a living time capsule, stuffed with communications relics, including Teletype machines, manual typewriters and rotary phones — and, of course, all manner of telegraphy keys, ranging from the versions like those used in Samuel Morse’s time to shiny new models favored by some modern-day ham operators. A dusty calendar from 1997 still hangs on the wall, as does a copy of the famous distress call from the Titanic.
Many of the station’s ancient machines were ablaze on Tuesday, spitting out clicks, whistles, white noise and — of course — dots and dashes. (Or “dits ” and “dahs” as they were often known in the business.)
And at just past midnight Greenwich Mean Time, the first message, tapped out at breakneck speed by Mr. Dillman, was beamed into the air.
“On this date in 1999 the death of commercial Morse was announced,” it read. “But Morse still lives.”
The KPH property — an Art Deco cube built between 1929 and 1931 by the Radio Corporation of America — was acquired by the National Park Service in 1999. Shortly after that, Mr. Dillman made a remarkable discovery while visiting the station’s headquarters.
“As I got close to the operators’ room, I started hearing static and hearing Morse code and ships calling,” Mr. Dillman said. “It was like they had left 20 minutes ago. The voice was gone, but the ears were still on.”
Indeed, KPH had been shuttered, but not completely shut down. _Jack Martini_ (http://www.radiomarine.org/gallery/show?keyword=JMJ&panel=pab1_7) , a former manager at the station, said he had left the receivers on as both a sign of affection and — he hoped — of possible preservation.
“I loved the place,” said Mr. Martini, 72, who also spent years as a Morse code operator at KPH. “And it saved the receivers. You turn off the receivers, you get the moisture in there, and they’re done.”
And so it was that KPH was eventually reborn as KSM and began broadcasting in Morse a few hours each Saturday, a development that attracted the attention of other aficionados.

“We’re doing the radio equivalent of _Civil War_ (http://topics.nytimes.com/topics/reference/timestopics/subjects/c/civil_war_us_/index.html?inline=nyt -classifier) re-enactments,” said Bill Ruck, one participant on Tuesday.

Another of those drawn in was Dave Wolfe, 62, a longtime enthusiast who had served as a radio operator in the 1960s and early ’70s, at sea and on land.

“We had eight people in there, almost on roller skates,” Mr. Wolfe recalled. “You got paid, and reasonably well, for doing what was basically a hobby.”

Not that it was easy work. Operators during Morse’s heyday worked grueling shifts, staffing stations 24 hours a day as ships sent messages to shore and vice versa. Experts in the form said the secret was to never count the dots and dashes, but to listen.

“You had to think of it as a rhythm,” Mr. Martini said. “You had to kind of be a musician.”

Sure enough, on Tuesday night, the symphony of dits and dahs continued for hours at the receiving station, as amateur Morse operators from around the world chimed in to say hello. At the transmitting station, meanwhile, another crew staffed banks of refurbished and rescued devices, some dating to World War II and complete with glowing mercury vapor tubes.

“You’re running antiques,” said Steve Hawes, who staffed the control room. “But we haven’t had anything let off a giant bang or blow up in smoke yet.”

But as the night wore on, the one thing that was not heard was any commercial traffic, though Mr. Dillman said that occasionally a ship would still call in during the station’s Saturday hours, wondering how the station was still alive. But even if the ships did not call, he said, the die-hards at Point Reyes would continue to listen.

“Even if there were no ships out there, we’d be keeping the faith,” Mr. Dillman said, before adding, “Of course, it’s thrilling when they call.”

# 1377. North Fulton ARES Net, 7/17/2011, 8:30 pm

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2011-07-16 00:25:47 UTC
From: nfares@yahoogroups.com
Topic: 1377  Message: 1377

Reminder from: nfares Yahoo! Group
http://groups.yahoo.com/group/nfares/cal

North Fulton ARES Net
Sunday July 17, 2011
8:30 pm - 9:30 pm
(This event repeats every week.)
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# 1378. set2011_station_locations-master (nfares@yahoogroups.com)

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2011-07-18 01:55:58 UTC
From: ad4mc.mike@gmail.com
Topic: 1365  Message: 1378

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It's not an attachment -- it's stored online at Google Docs. To open this document, just click the link above.

NFARES will be holding the 2011 Simulated Emergency Test (SET) on Sunday, October 9th from 3-6PM.
This year's simulated emergency will be a tornado and we are hoping that our preparation will be for a test and not a real tornado emergency. With your help, we will provide ham radio operators at all Sandy Springs, Johns Creek, Dunwoody, Roswell, Alpharetta and Milton fire stations, hospitals and shelters, and pass messages between locations using the National Traffic System (NTS) format.

To participate, please contact Mike Cohen (AD4MC) at ad4mc@...

# 1379. North Fulton ARES Net, 7/24/2011, 8:30 pm

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2011-07-23 00:25:45 UTC
From: nfares@yahoogroups.com
Topic: 1379  Message: 1379

Reminder from: nfares Yahoo! Group
http://groups.yahoo.com/group/nfares/cal

North Fulton ARES Net
Sunday July 24, 2011
8:30 pm - 9:30 pm
(This event repeats every week.)
Location: 147.060 MHz (plus 600kHz) PL 100.0. Backup is 145.470 MHz (minus 600 kHz) PL 100.0

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# 1380. NFARES 2-meter net, Sunday, July 24, 2011

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2011-07-25 01:28:16 UTC
From: MikeC
Topic: 1380  Message: 1380

We had 13 check-ins on the NFARES 2-meter net, Sunday, July 24, 2011
W4UOC - Tom, Sandy Springs, EC North Fulton, BP
N4SBD ☐ Scott, Alpharetta, Echolink, BP
N4SEC - Jim, Alpharetta, Echolink, BP
N4FN ☐ Neil, Marietta
KJ4YJI ☐ Bill, E. Cobb, BP
KG5WU ☐ Wayne, Sandy Springs, BP
KI4DSO ☐ George, Norcross
AA4FA - Dan, Dunwoody, BP
N4BTA ☐ Bret, Alpharetta, BP
AK4EX ☐ Stuart, Sandy Springs, BP
W4QO ☐ Jim, W. Roswell, BP
N4TOL ☐ John, Roswell
AD4MC (NCS) ☐ Mike, Sandy Springs, BP

BP = Battery Power

Comments:
N4BTA;
N4BTA, K4YJI and W4UOC logged into the GA ARES digital and voice nets today.
N4BTA and K4YJI also logged into the GA ARES net today using Winlink

W4UOC;
Requesting a volunteer to accept the position of NFARES Program Manager to take the responsibility of setting up programs and presentors for our monthly meetings.

Noted that the Echolink audio is now excellent and that we appreciate having Echolink capabilities during our Sunday nets. Thanks, Scott, N4SBD!

W4QO;
The 2011 Ham Jam will be October 22nd

Fox Hunting and Geocaching are being combined and could be a good way to practice emergency communications for ARES.

The next scheduled net will be Sunday, July 31st. This net closed at 8:53 PM.

73,
Mike - AD4MC
404-981-8624

# 1381. San Diego Winlink CMS has been taken down as of July 21st

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2011-07-25 11:49:49 UTC
From: w4uoc@aol.com
Topic: 1381  Message: 1381

The San Diego Winlink CMS has been taken down as of July 21st.
Another CMS site with different addressing should be available
Sunday July 24th afternoon.

This should only influence those stations using the Airmail program
to access TELNET via WL2KS (San Diego CMS). The other WL2K CMS's
(Perth, Wein, and Halifax) can be used as well. Those using the
Airmail program for TELNET can remove their setup for the CMS for
WL2KS and await the new CMS name coming soon.

Tom Koch - W4UOC
EC - North Fulton ARES

# 1382. Tropical Storm DON

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2011-07-28 11:40:01 UTC
From: Tom Koch
Topic: 1382  Message: 1382
Attachments: 5 described; binary payloads are missing from this source WARC

Description: http://icons-ecast.wunderground.com/data/images/at201104.gif

http://www.wunderground.com/tropical/tracking/at201104.html

time stamp 0118 EDT (0518 Zulu)

Reading the late night bloggers, there's little change from the fact

That it is a RAIN MAKER for Texas. ( YEAH RAIN )

From Jeff's blog,

Posted by: *JeffMasters*
<http://www.wunderground.com/blog/JeffMasters/show.html>, 4:29 PM EST on
July 27, 2011

Description: http://icons-ecast.wxug.com/graphics/ico_plus_green.gif

Description: http://icons-ecast.wxug.com/graphics/ico_alert_red.gif

Tropical Storm Don, the fourth tropical cyclone of the 2011 season, has
formed in the Gulf of Mexico
just north of the Yucatan Peninsula. Hurricane Hunters began
investigating the system earlier this
afternoon and quickly found a closed surface circulation. As the mission
continued to gather data
from what was thought to be a tropical depression at the time, winds of
around 39 mph were found,
as well as a 1001 mb central pressure, bringing the system up to
tropical storm strength.

Description:
http://icons-ecast.wunderground.com/data/images/at201104_sat_2_anim.gif
*Figure 1*. Satellite loop of Tropical Storm Don. This loop will stay
current.

The official foreca st for Don agrees with what most of the models have
been suggesting over the past 24 hours.
Don will make its way toward the northwest over the next 48 hours before
making landfall somewhere between
Brownsville and Galveston. The statistical models tend to suggest a more
southerly track toward Brownsville,
and the dynamical models are forecasting anything from Corpus Christi to
Galveston. They all tend to agree
landfall will occur late on the 29th (Friday night). Whether or not Don
will reach hurricane status is still in question.

The Hurricane Center's initial forecast is that Don will remain a tropical storm until landfall. Today some models were intensifying Don to a strong tropical storm, but none crossed the hurricane threshold. Now that we have data from aircraft reconnaissance, the models will be able to get a better handle on potential intensity.

The runs that occur later tonight and early tomorrow will have much less uncertainty than those from today.

Description: http://icons.wxug.com/metgraphics/angela/at2011_DON_model_jul_27.gif *Figure 2*. Model forecast tracks for Tropical Storm Don as of Wednesday afternoon.

Evans F. Mitchell

KD4EFM / WQFK 894

Florida D-star Tech Support

http://www.florida-dstar.info <http://www.florida-dst%0A%20ar.info>

Polk County Florida ARES Group

http://www.polkemcomm.org

# 1383. Vintage Radios For Sale

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2011-07-29 16:34:39 UTC
From: w4uoc@aol.com
Topic: 1383  Message: 1383

I am going to thin out my collection of vintage radios and wanted to let you know what might be available at this time before I advertise it on the web. To the best of my knowledge it is all in good working order as described in the notes. I would prefer testing and pickup at my QTH. I can supply pictures if needed. Feel free to call or email me to negotiate pricing or make me an offer. If you are not familiar with some of these items I would suggest you check _www.rigpix.com_ (http://www.rigpix.com) .

Thomas E. Koch - W4UOC
8170 Habersham Waters Road
Sandy Springs, GA 30350
404-314-6109

Manufacturer Transmitter Transceiver Power Supply Receiver
Amp Misc Notes

Babcock MT-5B
PS-4A

Picture CQ calendar of this radio Collins

75-A4

Spinner Knob 3.1,6.0kc filters/speaker Drake

2B

Very good condx Drake

2BQ

Very good condx EF Johnson Ranger I

Very good condx EF Johnson Viking I

Very good condx EF Johnson

TR Switch Good condx Elmac AF-67
M-1070

GOOD condx Elmac AF-67
M-1070

Near mint condx Elmac

PSR-117 PMR-7

Near mint condx Gonset
G-76 p/s

Near mint condx, Black as on rigpix.com Gonset
G-76 p/s

Good condx Gonset Commander

Near mint condx Gonset G-77
Mod P/S G-66

Gonset twins including Modulator/PS Hallicrafters

SX-100

Very good condx Hallicrafters

S-20R

Very good condx Hallicrafters

SX-71

Very good condx Hammarlund

HQ-129X

Near mint condx/speaker Harvey Wells Bandmaster SR

Good condx Heakthkit Cheyenne MT-1

Very good condx Heathkit Comanche MR-1

Very good condx Heathkit

HA-14
Linear Amp and AC PS Hunter

Bandit 2000
Pair 3-400 Military

BC-348R

Very good condx. Built in p/s Morrow

MBR-5

Very good condx Morrow MB560A

Very good condx Morrow MB560A

Good condx Morrow

AP-250

Good condx National

HRO-60

Very good condx AC,A,B,C,d,E,F coils/speaker National

SELECT-O-JECT Good condx Palco Bantam 65A

Good condx no mod/ps Regency

Converter

Near mint condx first transistor converter Rogers
TXR-10

Good condx Subraco MT-15X

Good condx Zenith

Transoceanic

Good condx Zenith

Transoceanic

Good condx

# 1384. North Fulton ARES Net, 7/31/2011, 8:30 pm

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2011-07-30 00:25:44 UTC
From: nfares@yahoogroups.com
Topic: 1384  Message: 1384

Reminder from: nfares Yahoo! Group
http://groups.yahoo.com/group/nfares/cal

North Fulton ARES Net
Sunday July 31, 2011
8:30 pm - 9:30 pm
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# 1385. ARES Support of CERT in Cherokee County, GA

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2011-07-30 12:33:48 UTC
From: w4uoc@aol.com
Topic: 1385  Message: 1385
Attachments: 1 described; binary payloads are missing from this source WARC

When you have time look at the Cherokee Amateur Radio Emergency Service news letter. It covers their recent support of a CERT in Cherokee County.

Tom Koch - W4UOC

# 1386. NFARES Net July 31

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2011-08-01 12:12:56 UTC
From: Jim Paine
Topic: 1386  Message: 1386

The NFARES Net 8:30 PM July 31, 2011 had the following check-ins

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K4YJI       Bill
N4FN       Neil
N4CUS    John
N4SBD    Scott   EchoLink
KG5WU   Wayne
W4QO     Jim
KI4DSO   George
N4BTA     Bret
AK4EX     Stewart
AK4TL     Clyde
W5JR      Mike
KK4CKH  Lance
N4SEC    Jim   Net Control
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Total 13 check-ins

Announcements:  W4QO Jim

NFARES Meeting  -  August 9

NFARL Meeting - August 16 - Ten things Beginners Should Know
Rich Arland  K7SZ

NFARES - S.E.T - October 16  (Revised Date)

Ham Jam - October 22 - Save the Date - Additional details soon

The net closed at 8:50 PM

Submitted by:

Jim Paine - N4SEC

# 1387. North Fulton County ARES Meeting, 8/9/2011, 7:00 pm

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2011-08-02 22:59:28 UTC
From: nfares@yahoogroups.com
Topic: 1387  Message: 1387

Reminder from: nfares Yahoo! Group
http://groups.yahoo.com/group/nfares/cal

North Fulton County ARES Meeting
Tuesday August 9, 2011
7:00 pm - 8:30 pm
(This event repeats every month on the second Tuesday.)
(The next reminder for this event will be sent in 6 days.)
Location: Sandy Springs City Council Chambers
Street: Morgan Falls Office Park, 7840 Roswell Road Building 500
City State Zip: Sandy Springs, GA 30350

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# 1388. North Fulton ARES Net, 8/7/2011, 8:30 pm

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2011-08-06 00:25:44 UTC
From: nfares@yahoogroups.com
Topic: 1388  Message: 1388

Reminder from: nfares Yahoo! Group
http://groups.yahoo.com/group/nfares/cal

North Fulton ARES Net
Sunday August 7, 2011
8:30 pm - 9:30 pm
(This event repeats every week.)
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# 1389. NFARES 2-meter net, Sunday, August 7, 2011

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2011-08-08 02:14:35 UTC
From: MikeC
Topic: 1389  Message: 1389

We had 12 check-ins on the NFARES 2-meter net, Sunday, August 7, 2011
W4UOC - Tom, Sandy Springs, EC North Fulton, BP
AK4EX ☐ Stuart, Sandy Springs, BP
N4SEC - Jim, Alpharetta, Echolink, BP
N4CUS ☐ John, Roswell
AK4TL ☐ Clyde, Dunwoody, BP
K4YJI ☐ Bill, E. Cobb, BP
KG5WU ☐ Wayne, Sandy Springs, BP
KI4DSO ☐ George, Norcross
AA4FA - Dan, Dunwoody, BP
N4TOL ☐ John, Roswell
W4QO ☐ Jim, W. Roswell, BP
AD4MC (NCS) ☐ Mike, Sandy Springs, BP

BP = Battery Power

Comments:
W4UOC;
Our next NFARES meeting will cover D-Star/D-Rats and other digital techniques that we plan to use for the 2011 NFARES SET on Sunday, October 16th from 3-6PM.

K4YJI logged into the GA ARES digital, voice and WinLink nets today.
AK4TL logged into the GA ARES voice net.

The next scheduled net will be Sunday, August 14th. This net closed at 8:47 PM.

73,
Mike - AD4MC
404-981-8624

# 1390. North Fulton County ARES Meeting, 8/9/2011, 7:00 pm

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2011-08-08 22:55:28 UTC
From: nfares@yahoogroups.com
Topic: 1387  Message: 1390

Reminder from: nfares Yahoo! Group
http://groups.yahoo.com/group/nfares/cal

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Tuesday August 9, 2011
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# 1391. Dual Band Mini HT

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2011-08-10 02:37:06 UTC
From: Mike Cohen
Topic: 1391  Message: 1391

Hi All Y'All,

Here's some more info on the tiny radio I showed around at the NFARES meeting this evening...

I read about this and decided to get one.
http://www.eham.net/reviews/detail/9749
You may want to read *all* the eham reviews to see the many plusses and minuses of this radio before you seriously think of getting one.

$55 with programming cable. Ordered it on July 27th, shipped July 29th, arrived August 8th. It comes from China, like the WOUXUN. 2W, hot receiver. Even open for MARS or marine. And it really is tiny..the same size as the Yaesu VX-3R. (It's a limited version knock-off of the VX-3R)

Even though I ordered this on eBay, it came from 409shop. If you order it directly from 409shop, it costs a buck fifty less.

http://cgi.ebay.com/ws/eBayISAPI.dll?ViewItem&item=110714723882&ssPageName=ADME:L:OU:US:1123

http://www.409shop.com/409shop_product.php?id=106042

Comes with a CD that has the USB driver and programming software. I used Dan Smith's, KK7DS, CHIRP software instead...
http://trac.chirp.danplanet.com/chirp_daily/LATEST/

Nice toy for times when smaller is better.

73,
Mike - AD4MC

Mike Cohen
(404) 981-8624

# 1392. North Fulton ARES Net, 8/14/2011, 8:30 pm

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2011-08-13 00:25:45 UTC
From: nfares@yahoogroups.com
Topic: 1392  Message: 1392

Reminder from: nfares Yahoo! Group
http://groups.yahoo.com/group/nfares/cal

North Fulton ARES Net
Sunday August 14, 2011
8:30 pm - 9:30 pm
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# 1393. Learning to use FLDIGI

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2011-08-13 02:54:14 UTC
From: Mike Cohen
Topic: 1393  Message: 1393

To the NFARES Team / 2011 NFARES SET Team (as of 8/12/11),

We have practiced using digital VHF transmissions before and would like to continue training so that we will have an extra tool in our kit to use during the 2011 SET.

If you joined us at last year's SET, you had fun passing messages by voice between stations. Even though we were successful in passing over 60 messages, it was/is very slow and tedious to do that using voice. IMHO, using digital messaging is faster, easier and even more fun.

For digital messaging, we will be using a program called FLDIGI and its sister program FLMSG. Two great things about these programs are that they are 1) Free and 2) Do not require any wired interface between your PC and radio. Acoustic coupling is all that is required. So, if you have a PC and VHF radio, you will be all set once you download and install the software, and then practice with us to become proficient.

We will be having regular training nets for FLDIGI, beginning this Sunday evening immediately after our regular Sunday NFARES net. (see details below)

Note that for the SET, FLDIGI is not required, but whenever the sending and receiving stations both have it set up, I'm quite sure that you will want to use it instead of using voice.

Here is the link to download the latest versions of FLDIGI and FLMSG.
http://www.w1hkj.com/download.html
If you are using Windows, download and install
fldigi-3.21.13<http://www.w1hkj.com/downloads/fldigi/fldigi-3.21.13_setup.exe>
and flmsg-1.1.6<http://www.w1hkj.com/downloads/flmsg/flmsg-1.1.6_setup.exe>

You will be pleasantly surprised how quickly you become proficient using it.

Let me know if you have any problems with the installation.

73,
Mike - AD4MC

Mike Cohen
(404) 981-8624

On Fri, Aug 12, 2011 at 8:25 PM, <nfares@yahoogroups.com> wrote:

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> Reminder from: *nfares Yahoo! Group<http://groups.yahoo.com/group/nfares/cal>
> * Title: North Fulton ARES Net Date: Sunday August 14, 2011 Time:

> 8:30 pm - 9:30 pm Repeats: This event repeats every week. Location: 147.060
> MHz (plus 600kHz) PL 100.0. Backup is 145.470 MHz (minus 600 kHz) PL 100.0
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> 100.0 Hz Get reminders on your mobile, Yahoo! Messenger, and email.
> Edit reminder options <http://groups.yahoo.com/group/nfares/cal?v=75>
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# 1394. NFARES 2-meter net, Sunday, August 14, 2011

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2011-08-15 01:48:04 UTC
From: Wayne
Topic: 1394  Message: 1394

NFARES Sunday Night Net
(13 participants) 2011-08-14 30 mins

AK4TL (NCS) - Clyde McClain
AA4FA - Dan McKenzie
AD4MC - Mike Cohen
AK4EX - Stuart Williams
K4YJI - Bill Reed
KG5WU - Wayne Chapman
KS4KJ - Steve Mays
N4CUS - John Dendy
N4SBD - Scott Dunbar
N4SEC - Jim Paine
NZ4CW - Craig Willison
W4QO - Jim Stafford
W4UOC - Tom Koch

# 1395. NFARES Digital 2-meter net, Sunday, August 14, 2011, starting at 8:55PM

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2011-08-15 13:48:19 UTC
From: MikeC
Topic: 1395  Message: 1395

We had 10 check-ins on the NFARES Digital 2-meter net, Sunday, August 14, 2011, starting at 8:55PM

W4UOC - Tom, Sandy Springs, EC North Fulton, BP
AK4TL ☐ Clyde, Dunwoody, BP
N4SBD ☐ Scott, Alpharetta, BP
K4YJI ☐ Bill, E. Cobb, BP
N4SEC - Jim, Alpharetta, Echolink, BP
AA4FA - Dan, Dunwoody, BP
AK4EX ☐ Stuart, Sandy Springs, BP
W4QO ☐ Jim, W. Roswell, BP
NZ4CW ☐ Craig, Johns Creek, BP
AD4MC (NCS) ☐ Mike, Sandy Springs, BP

BP = Battery Power

Comments:
We held our first voice/digital training net to help us prepare for the 2011 NFARES SET on Sunday, October 16th from 3:00-6:00 PM. We did the basic Fldigi set up and practiced sending and receiving text messages. As the training progresses, we will send messages in radiogram format to save time and effort during the SET.

Here is the link to download the latest versions of Fldigi, Flmsg and Flwrap.
http://www.w1hkj.com/download.html
If you are using Windows, download and install: fldigi-3.21.13, flmsg-1.1.6 and flwrap-1.3.1

You may want to also download "Beginners Guide pdf file" and "Fldigi-Help"

Please join us for future voice/digital training nets on Sundays, immediately following the NFARES net. We will tentatively also be holding voice/digital training nets on Wednesday nights starting at 8:30PM using the 147.06 (+) PL 100 Hz repeater.

The next scheduled voice/digital training net will be Wednesday, August 17th at 8:30PM.
This net closed at 10:00 PM.

73,
Mike - AD4MC
404-981-8624

# 1396. FLDIGI Instructions v1.doc (nfares@yahoogroups.com)

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2011-08-15 19:46:06 UTC
From: ad4mc.mike@gmail.com
Topic: 1396  Message: 1396

I've shared a document with you:

FLDIGI Instructions v1.doc
https://docs.google.com/document/d/1l9IdxmTDzkNGsuWkRPfokDNIIto1W1aq47JHoFSMPSM/edit?invite=CJ_Lr_YG

It's not an attachment -- it's stored online at Google Docs. To open this document, just click the link above.

Here is some info on Fldigi.
Please join us for future voice/digital training nets on Sundays, immediately following the NFARES net. We will tentatively also be holding digital training nets on Wednesday nights starting at 8:30PM using the 147.06 (+) PL 100 Hz repeater.

The next scheduled voice/digital training net will be Wednesday, August 17th at 8:30PM.

# 1397. Welcome to the newest members of the 2011 NFARES SET Team

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2011-08-17 20:03:20 UTC
From: Mike Cohen
Topic: 1397 Message: 1397

To the 2011 NFARES SET Team (as of 8/17/11),

Thanks to the recruiting efforts of our own Jim Stafford, W4QO, another 11 members have joined the 2011 NFARES SET Team since yesterday, bringing our total as of this afternoon to 33 members.

I am copying the NFARL and NFARES Yahoo groups too so that you can see the locations and volunteer to also join us on Sunday, October 16th from 3-6 PM.

Here's the link to see all the locations:
set2011_station_locations-<https://spreadsheets.google.com/spreadsheet/ccc?key=0Ah8TgYV27SbEdHJaQTU1OW43dFdaTkZTRUhNQ0ZwdEE&authkey=CNvC77QG>
master<https://spreadsheets.google.com/spreadsheet/ccc?key=0Ah8TgYV27SbEdHJaQTU1OW43dFdaTkZTRUhNQ0ZwdEE&authkey=CNvC77QG>
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*Note that you may not be able to access the links I send you if the e-mail address you use for the Yahoo Group is an "alias", like arrl.net or nfarl.org. Send me an e-mail and I will invite that e-mail address to have access.
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73,
Mike - AD4MC
(404) 981-8624
p.s.
Below is part of a previous e-mail that pertains to the SET:
We have practiced using digital VHF transmissions before and would like to continue training so that we will have an extra tool in our kit to use during the 2011 SET.

If you joined us at last year's SET, you had fun passing messages by voice between stations. Even though we were successful in passing over 60 messages, it was/is very slow and tedious to do that using voice. IMHO, using digital messaging is faster, easier and even more fun.

For digital messaging, we will be using a program called Fldigi and its sister programs Flmsg and Flwrap. Two great things about these programs are that they are 1) Free and 2) Do not require any wired interface between your PC and radio. Acoustic coupling is all that is required. So, if you have a PC and VHF radio, you will be all set once you download and install the software, and then practice with us to become proficient.

We will be having regular training nets for Fldigi on Sunday evenings immediately after our regular Sunday NFARES net and also on Wednesday

evenings at 8:30 PM using the 147.06 (+) PL100Hz repeater.

Note that for the SET, Fldigi is not required, but whenever the sending and receiving stations both have it set up, I'm quite sure that you will want to use it instead of using voice.

Instructions on setting up Fldigi: FLDIGI Instructions v1.doc<https://docs.google.com/document/d/1l9IdxmTDzkNGsuWkRPfokDNIIto1W1aq47JHoFSMPSM/edit>

You will be pleasantly surprised how quickly you become proficient using it.

73,
Mike - AD4MC

Mike Cohen
(404) 981-8624

# 1398. NFARES Digital 2-meter net, Wednesday, August 17, 2011

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2011-08-18 02:25:14 UTC
From: MikeC
Topic: 1398  Message: 1398

We had 8 check-ins on the NFARES Digital 2-meter training net, Wednesday, August 17, 2011, starting at 8:30PM
W4UOC - Tom, Sandy Springs, EC North Fulton
N4SBD ☐ Scott, Alpharetta
N4SEC - Jim, Alpharetta
K4YJI ☐ Bill, E. Cobb, BP
AK4TL ☐ Clyde, Dunwoody
AK4EX ☐ Stuart, Sandy Springs
NZ4CW ☐ Craig, Johns Creek
AD4MC (NCS) ☐ Mike, Sandy Springs

Comments:
We held our second voice/digital training net to help us prepare for the 2011 NFARES SET on Sunday, October 16th from 3:00-6:00 PM. We did the basic Fldigi set up and practiced sending and receiving text messages. We also sent and received Radiogram messages using Flmsg and Flwrap.

Here is the link to download the latest versions of Fldigi, Flmsg and Flwrap.
http://www.w1hkj.com/download.html
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The next scheduled voice/digital training net will be Sunday, August 21th following the NFARES 8:30 PM Net

This net closed at 10:14 PM.

73,
Mike - AD4MC
404-981-8624

# 1399. North Fulton ARES Net, 8/21/2011, 8:30 pm

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2011-08-20 00:25:46 UTC
From: nfares@yahoogroups.com
Topic: 1399  Message: 1399

Reminder from: nfares Yahoo! Group
http://groups.yahoo.com/group/nfares/cal

North Fulton ARES Net
Sunday August 21, 2011
8:30 pm - 9:30 pm
(This event repeats every week.)
Location: 147.060 MHz (plus 600kHz) PL 100.0. Backup is 145.470 MHz (minus 600 kHz) PL 100.0

Notes:
Please remember that both repeaters now require a PL tone of 100.0 Hz

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# 1400. NFARES Net Report for 8-21-2011 Vioce and Digital

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2011-08-22 02:03:01 UTC
From: swilliams2549@charter.net
Topic: 1400  Message: 1400
Attachments: 2 described; binary payloads are missing from this source WARC

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# 1401. Special Net Test tonight Cherokee ARES 8pm

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2011-08-22 21:11:33 UTC
From: w4uoc@aol.com
Topic: 1401  Message: 1401

If you have time I would appreciate you checking into this special Cherokee ARES net tonight at 8:00 p.m. EDT.

Tom Koch - W4UOC
EC - North Fulton ARES

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From: wb4nws@...
To: wb4nws@...
Sent: 8/22/2011 4:41:59 P.M. Eastern Daylight Time
Subj: re: Special Net Test tonight Cherokee ARES 8pm

Re: Multi County Net Test 8pm tonight 8/22/2011
Audience: Multiple Hams across counties in North GA and Metro Atlanta ARES District

You are invited to check in to a special net tonight with Cherokee County ARES. As Hurricane Irene is on the loose and more specifically, in preparation of the upcoming Simulated Emergency Test (SET) on October 1st, tonight's ARES net will test two different repeaters and a cross-band repeat (simplex to repeater) for checking in. The October SET is focused on an ice storm with limited repeater usage and more focused on simplex operations to reach multiple counties to get the message through.

Therefore the Cherokee ARES net will test this scenario as follows:

1. At 8pm, Net Control will establish the net on 145.430 (-) 107.2hz on Mt. Oglethorpe, Jasper, GA at 3100 feet, and take checkins to evaluate this coverage.
2. Once checkins are completed, Net Control will advise for all stations to move (QSY) to 147.585 simplex (Woodstock-WB4NWS) where cross band repeat will be connect you to the ARES repeater on 443.075 (+) 107.2hz, located on Pine Log Mountain, Waleska, GA at 2300 feet. If you are unable to check in with Net Control on the 147.585 simplex crossband, move to 443.075 (+) 107.2hz and check in. Net Control will be on 443.075 and hear you if you connected to cross band.
3. Net Control will take checkins and acknowledge.

The goal is to test multi-county communications on both simplex and two separate repeaters on different mountain tops, all on emergency power. With the ice storm scenario, it will assume you have to be on battery power, mobile vehicle in your driveway, or generator, as most likely your power will be out. So, test your back up power please.

Thank you for assisting in this important exercise to help us prepare for the SET and hurricanes, tornados, ice storms, floods....etc. "Prepare, Test, Activate".

A final report will be documented and results sent to ARRL Section Manager Gene Clark and Section Emergency Coordinator, Mike Brown. We will also post a short write up on the GA ARRL Facebook page as info.

Thanks,
Jim Millsap-WB4NWS
DEC-Metro Atlanta

# 1402. Fwd: Special Net Test tonight Cherokee ARES 8pm

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2011-08-22 21:34:16 UTC
From: w4uoc@aol.com
Topic: 1402  Message: 1402

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From: W4UOC@...
To: nfares@yahoogroups.com
Sent: 8/22/2011 5:11:33 P.M. Eastern Daylight Time
Subj: Special Net Test tonight Cherokee ARES 8pm

If you have time I would appreciate you checking into this special Cherokee ARES net tonight at 8:00 p.m. EDT.

Tom Koch - W4UOC
EC - North Fulton ARES

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From: wb4nws@...
To: wb4nws@...
Sent: 8/22/2011 4:41:59 P.M. Eastern Daylight Time
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Thanks,
Jim Millsap-WB4NWS
DEC-Metro Atlanta

# 1403. When the big one hits!!! .....

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2011-08-24 03:15:53 UTC
From: Jim Stafford
Topic: 1403  Message: 1403

A blog from my friend Larry, W2LJ:

http://w2lj.blogspot.com/2011/08/poo-pooing-poo-pooers.html

All about the earthquake... sorta...

jim/w4qo

# 1404. Hurricane Frequencies..

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2011-08-26 18:46:19 UTC
From: Jim Stafford
Topic: 1404  Message: 1404

This is actually pretty interesting.  Amateur nets are near the bottom of the list.....

W4QO Jim Stafford www.w4qo.com

--- On Fri, 8/26/11, Marvin Moss <mmoss@...> wrote:

Hurricane Frequency Listings

(Unless otherwise noted, times are UTC, freq in kHz)

Government, NGO & Military frequencies

02670.0 USB USCG wx Cape Hatteras NC (0133 1303)
02670.0 USB USCG wx Fort Macon NC (0103 1233)
02670.0 USB USCG wx Eastern Shore VA (0233 1403)
02670.0 USB USCG wx Hampton Roads VA (0203 1333)
02670.0 USB USCG wx San Francisco (0203 1403)
02670.0 USB USCG wx Los Angeles/Long Beach CA (1303 2103)
02670.0 USB USCG wx Honolulu (0903 2103)
02670.0 USB USCG wx Marianas Section Guam (0705 2205)
02802.4 USB American Red Cross Disaster (F-91)
03171.4 USB American Red Cross Disaster (F-92)
04426.0 USB USCG wx NMN Portsmouth (0330 0500 0930)
04426.0 USB USCG wx NMC San Francisco (0430 1030)
04724.0 USB GHFS
05136.4 USB American Red Cross Disaster (F-93)
05141.4 USB American Red Cross Disaster (F-94)
05211.0 USB FEMA
05236.0 USB SHARES Coordination Network (nationwide HF voice
coordination)
06501.0 USB USCG wx NMN Portsmouth (0330 0500 0930 1130 1600
2200 2330)
06501.0 USB USCG wx NMO Honolulu (0600 1200)
06501.0 USB USCG wx Marianas Section Guam (0930 1530)
06712.0 USB USAF GHFS SAR
06739.0 USB GHFS
06859.5 USB American Red Cross Disaster (F-95)
07507.0 USB USN/USCG hurricane net (pri)
07508.5 USB FAA Caribbean hurricane net
07550.5 USB American Red Cross Disaster (F-96 - primary)
07698.5 USB American Red Cross Disaster (F-97)
08764.0 USB USCG wx NMN Portsmouth (0330 0500 0930 1130 1600
1730 2200 2330)
08764.0 USB USCG wx NMC San Francisco (0430 1030 1630 2230)
08764.0 USB USCG wx NMO Honolulu (0000 0600 1200 1800)
08992.0 USB GHFS

09380.0 USB USN/USCG hurricane net (sec)
10493.0 USB FEMA
11175.0 USB GHFS
13089.0 USB USCG wx NMN Portsmouth (1130 1600 1730 2200 2330)
13089.0 USB USCG wx NMC San Francisco (0430 1030 1630 2230)
13089.0 USB USCG wx NMO Honolulu (0000 1800)
13089.0 USB USCG wx Marianas Section Guam (0300 2130)
13200.0 USB GHFS
13510.0 USB Pictures from CFH Halifax (1000-2200)
14396.5 USB SHARES Coordination Network (nationwide HF voice coordination)
15016.0 USB GHFS
17314.0 USB USCG wx from NMN Portsmouth (1730)
17314.0 USB USCG wx from NMC San Francisco (1630 2230)

Amateur Radio HF Emergency Hurricane Nets

01984.0 LSB Virgin Islands (VI, Puerto Rico, Lesser Antilles)
03710.0 LSB Puerto Rico
03808.0 LSB Caribbean Wx (1030)
03815.0 LSB Antigua/Antilles Emergency and Weather
03815.0 LSB Inter-island (continuous watch)
03818.0 LSB Antigua/Antilles
03845.0 LSB Gulf Coast West Hurricane
03862.5 LSB Mississippi Section Traffic
03865.0 LSB West Virginia Emergency
03873.0 LSB Central Gulf Coast Hurricane
03873.0 LSB Louisiana ARES Emergency (night)
03873.0 LSB Texas ARES Emergency (night)
03873.0 LSB Mississippi ARES Emergency
03905.0 LSB Pacific ARES (Hawaii)
03905.0 LSB Delaware Emergency
03907.0 LSB Carolina Coast Emergency
03910.0 LSB Mississippi ARES
03910.0 LSB Louisiana Traffic
03910.0 LSB Virginia Emergency, Alpha (ARES/RACES)
03913.0 LSB New York State Emergency
03915.0 LSB South Carolina SSB NTS
03915.0 LSB Massachusetts/Rhode Island Emergency
03917.0 LSB Eastern Pennsylvania Emergency
03920.0 LSB Maryland Emergency
03923.0 LSB Mississippi ARES
03923.0 LSB North Carolina ARES Emergency (Tar Heel)
03925.0 LSB Central Gulf Coast Hurricane
03925.0 LSB New York State Emergency
03925.0 LSB Louisiana Emergency (altn)
03927.0 LSB North Carolina ARES (health & welfare)
03925.0 LSB Southwest Traffic (altn)
03935.0 LSB Belize
03935.0 LSB Central Gulf Coast Hurricane
03935.0 LSB Louisiana ARES (health & welfare)

03935.0 LSB Texas ARES (health & welfare)
03935.0 LSB Mississippi ARES (health & welfare)
03935.0 LSB Alabama Emergency
03937.0 LSB Western Massachusetts ARES
03940.0 LSB Southern Florida Emergency
03947.0 LSB Virginia Emergency, Bravo (health & welfare)
03950.0 LSB Hurricane Watch (Amateur-to-National Hurricane Center) (altn)
03950.0 LSB Northern Florida Emergency
03955.0 LSB South Texas Emergency
03960.0 LSB Northeast Coast Hurricane
03965.0 LSB Alabama Emergency (altn)
03965.0 LSB Connecticut Emergency
03967.0 LSB Gulf Coast (outgoing traffic)
03970.0 LSB New Jersey ARES
03975.0 LSB Georgia ARES
03975.0 LSB Texas RACES
03980.0 LSB Southeast Virginia ARES
03987.5 LSB Mexican National
03990.5 LSB New Jersey RACES
03993.0 LSB New York State RACES
03993.5 LSB Gulf Coast (health & welfare)
03993.5 LSB South Carolina ARES/RACES Emergency
03995.0 LSB Gulf Coast Wx
03995.0 LSB Western New York State Coordination
07055.0 LSB El Grupo Seguimiento de Huracanes (Spanish)
07060.0 LSB Mexican (emergency and health & welfare) (Spanish)
07070.0 LSB Manana (Baja California)
07090.0 LSB Central America Emergency
07145.0 LSB Bermuda
07165.0 LSB Antigua/Antilles Emergency and Weather
07165.0 LSB Inter-island 40-meter (continuous watch)
07225.0 LSB Central Gulf Coast Hurricane
07230.0 LSB New York State Emergency
07230.0 LSB Southwest Traffic
07232.0 LSB North Carolina ARES Emergency (Tar Heel) (altn)
07235.0 LSB Louisiana Emergency
07235.0 LSB Baja California
07235.0 LSB Central Gulf Coast Hurricane
07235.0 LSB West Virginia
07235.0 LSB Louisiana Emergency
07240.0 LSB American Red Cross US Gulf Coast Disaster
07240.0 LSB Texas Emergency
07240.0 LSB Virginia Emergency, Bravo (health & welfare) (altn)
07242.0 LSB Southern Florida ARES Emergency (altn)
07243.0 LSB Alabama Emergency
07243.0 LSB South Carolina Emergency
07245.0 LSB Southern Louisiana
07245.0 LSB New York State RACES

07247.5 LSB Northern Florida ARES Emergency (altn)
07248.0 LSB Texas RACES
07250.0 LSB Belize
07250.0 LSB Texas Emergency
07254.0 LSB Northern Florida Emergency
07260.0 LSB Gulf Coast West Hurricane
07260.0 LSB Virginia Emergency, Alpha (ARES/RACES) (altn)
07264.0 LSB Gulf Coast (health & welfare)
07265.0 LSB Salvation Army Team Emergency Radio (SATERN)
07268.0 LSB Bermuda
07268.0 LSB Waterway
07273.0 LSB Texas ARES (altn)
07275.0 LSB Georgia ARES
07280.0 LSB NTS Region 5
07280.0 LSB Louisiana Emergency (altn)
07283.0 LSB Gulf Coast (outgoing only)
07285.0 LSB Louisiana ARES Emergency (day)
07285.0 LSB Mississippi ARES Emergency
07285.0 LSB Texas ARES Emergency (day)
07290.0 LSB Central Gulf Coast Hurricane
07290.0 LSB Gulf Coast Wx
07290.0 LSB Texas ARES (health & welfare)
07290.0 LSB Louisiana ARES (health & welfare) (day)
07290.0 LSB Texas ARES (health & welfare)
07290.0 LSB Mississippi ARES (health & welfare)
07290.0 LSB Hawaii Emergency
07290.0 LSB Traffic
14185.0 USB Caribbean Emergency
14200.0 USB (Please advise)
14215.0 USB Pacific Inter-island
14222.0 USB Health & Welfare
14245.0 USB Health & Welfare
14265.0 USB Salvation Army Team Emergency Radio (SATERN)
14268.0 USB Amateur Radio Readiness Group
14275.0 USB Bermuda
14275.0 USB International Amateur Radio
14283.0 USB Caribus (health & welfare)
14300.0 USB Intercontinental Traffic
14300.0 USB Maritime Mobile Service
14303.0 USB International Assistance & Traffic
14313.0 USB Intercontinental Traffic (altn)
14313.0 USB Maritime Mobile Service (altn)
14316.0 USB Health & Welfare
14320.0 USB Health & Welfare
14325.0 USB Hurricane Watch (Amateur-to-National Hurricane Center)
14340.0 USB Louisiana (1900)
14340.0 USB Manana (1900)
14340.0 USB California-Hawaii
21310.0 USB Health & Welfare (Spanish)

21390.0 USB Inter-Americas (health & welfare)
21400.0 USB Transatlantic Maritime
28410.0 USB New Jersey ARES
28450.0 USB Health & Welfare (Spanish)

Hurricane Watch Net

Whenever a hurricane is within 300 miles of land in the Northern Western Hemisphere, the Hurricane Watch Net is operational on 14325 kHz. The Hurricane Watch Net provides communication between the amateur radio station
W4EHW located at the National Hurricane Center, and the affected areas.

American Radio Relay League (ARRL)

During a communications emergency, W1AW transmits special bulletins hourly by voice, teleprinter and CW (Morse) according to the following schedule:
Please note that these frequencies are in Mhz

Voice (hh:00) 01855.0 03990.0 07290.0 14290.0 18160.0
21390.0 28590.0

Teleprinter (hh:15) 03625.0 07095.0 14095.0 18102.5 21095.0
28095.0

CW (hh:30) 01818.0 03581.5 07047.5 14047.5 18097.5 21067.5
28067.5

# 1405. POSSIBLE - NAMB DISASTER RELIEF ACTIVATION FOR HURRICANE IRENE

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2011-08-26 19:18:16 UTC
From: w4uoc@aol.com
Topic: 1405  Message: 1405

I have been contacted by Bruce Poss the North American Mission Board - Disaster Relief Emergency Coordinator and he has asked our NFARES organi zation to be on Stand-By for possible activation of the amateur radio station at their headquarters starting Sunday or Monday of next week.

We will probably need to set up some 4 or 8 hour shifts with a minimum of two operators for each shift.

We will need one trained and certified NAMB communicator on each team but the second operator should be an experienced ARES member or NFARL member with a general or higher class privileges.

As I find out more information I will forward it via this email group.

If you are willing to help please advise the days and/or times you might be able to assist in this effort.

Please reply directly to this message and sender.

Tom Koch - W4UOC
EC North Fulton ARES

# 1406. North Fulton ARES Net, 8/28/2011, 8:30 pm

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2011-08-27 00:25:44 UTC
From: nfares@yahoogroups.com
Topic: 1406  Message: 1406

Reminder from: nfares Yahoo! Group
http://groups.yahoo.com/group/nfares/cal

North Fulton ARES Net
Sunday August 28, 2011
8:30 pm - 9:30 pm
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Notes:
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# 1407. Re: [nfares] POSSIBLE - NAMB DISASTER RELIEF ACTIVATION FOR HURRICANE IRENE

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2011-08-28 12:32:40 UTC
From: Mike Cohen
Topic: 1405  Message: 1407

The NFARES/NFARL team is doing a great service during Hurricane Irene for
the NAMB. Thanks for uploading the pictures, Jim, N4SEC.

73,
Mike - AD4MC

Mike Cohen
(404) 981-8624

On Fri, Aug 26, 2011 at 3:18 PM, <w4uoc@...m> wrote:

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> I have been contacted by Bruce Poss the North American Mission Board -
> Disaster Relief Emergency Coordinator and he has asked our NFARES
> organization to be on Stand-By for possible activation of the amateur radio
> station at their headquarters starting Sunday or Monday of next week.
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> We will probably need to set up some 4 or 8 hour shifts with a minimum of
> two operators for each shift.
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> We will need one trained and certified NAMB communicator on each team but
> the second operator should be an experienced ARES member or NFARL member
> with a general or higher class privileges.
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> As I find out more information I will forward it via this email group.
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> If you are willing to help please advise the days and/or times you might be
> able to assist in this effort.
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> Please reply directly to this message and sender.
>
> Tom Koch - W4UOC
> EC North Fulton ARES
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# 1408. Need to activate Amateur Radio Support at NAMB?

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2011-08-28 12:35:41 UTC
From: w4uoc@aol.com
Topic: 1408  Message: 1408

Bruce Poss - Disaster Relief, NAMB

On Saturday we had members of our North Fulton Amateur Radio Emergency Service check out the equipment and it all appears to be operational. We have compiled a lost of amateurs that can operate the station if needed.

Hurricane Irene Amateur Volunteer List Amateur Call MARS
First Name Last Best Phone email W4TL YES TERRY JONES 770-540-5095
_w4tl@..._ (javascript:return) W4UOC YES TOM KOCH 404-314-6109
_w4uoc@..._ (javascript:return) KE4ZX YES JIM HADDER 404-444-9844
_jehadder@..._ (javascript:return) N8EKA YES VESTER SCOTT 770-339-6986
_vesterscott@..._ (javascript:return) W4QO JIM STAFFORD
404-281-8185 _w4qo@..._ (javascript:return) AE4CW CHUCK CATLEDGE
404-451-1391 _ae4cw@..._ (javascript:return) N4BTA BRET ARNOLD
404-319-0157 _Bret@..._ (javascript:return) KJ4VPK CHRISTIAN KUHTZ
404-435-5389 _kj4vpk@..._ (javascript:return) KB4KBS SCOTT STRAW
404-933-1645 _scottstraw@..._ (javascript:return)

If it determined that you need to activate this group, I would suggest that you first advise Terry Jones, W4TL, when you want our group to report to the NAMB and activate the radio station. We should be able to respond to your call within a hour or less.

If it is determined that the amateur radio or Army MARS communications systems will be needed it will be necessary to establish amateur radio frequencies and/or MARS channels to monitor.

Tom Koch - W4UOC
Emergency Coordinator - North Fulton Amateur Radio Emergency Service

# 1409. ‘When All Else Fails’

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2011-08-28 15:54:39 UTC
From: w4uoc@aol.com
Topic: 1409 Message: 1409

Ham Radio Operators Fill the Void ‘When All Else Fails’
How a hobby serves as the last line of communications in a worst-case scenario

* By _Ted Glanzer_ (http://thegranbys.patch.com/users/ted-glanzer-2)

* _Email the author_ (http://thegranbys.patch.com/articles/ham-radio-operators-fill-the-void-when-all-else-fails#)
* August 27, 2011

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(http://thegranbys.patch.com/articles/ham-radio-operators-fill-the-void-when-all-else-fails#modal_dialog:add_asset_modal_dialog)

They don’t get paid, they do it strictly as a hobby, they are largely overlooked or taken for granted and they also just happen to be the last failsafe of communication when all else fails.

In the age of satellites and digital communications, many people don’t realize the importance that ham radio operators still play when emergencies like Hurricane Irene crop up from time to time.

In East Granby on Friday afternoon, several ham radio operators were setting up at the Emergency Operations Center at the public safety building and Town Hall in preparation for the big storm.

“As the hurricane comes up the east coast, cell towers will be knocked out while [cellphone] usage will increase 200 percent,” said East Granby’s Emergency Operations Director Skip Colton, who has been a ham radio operator since 1955. “We do support communications.”

Colton recalled, for example, the 1979 tornado that swept through Windsor Locks, when regular radio and telephone communications were knocked out.

“Ham radio operators were literally using their walkie-talkies to follow the first selectman, the health people and the building officials so they could at least get to talk to each other and state officials,” Colton said. “We still do the same thing.”

The digital age has diminished the importance of ham radio in some areas, but it’s still vital as a backup “when all else fails,” Colton said.

That’s because cellphone towers are built mostly on hills, making them susceptible to falling in high winds, and power lines are generally taken down when trees hit them, Colton said.

But ham radio operators, using a small piece of bandwidth on the radio spectrum, will still be there regardless of the storm’s severity.

“East Granby, like so many other small towns, (doesn't) have the money to invest in a sophisticated communications system,” Colton said. “The fire department can’t talk to the police, who can’t talk to ambulance."
That's when ham radio comes in.
"It might sound like we’re patting ourselves on the back,” Colton admitted.

Town officials, for their part, don’t seem to mind.

“We’re fortunate they’re there to assist us if communications are knocked out,” First Selectman Jim Hayden said. “We’re able to communicate with the outside world, which is so valuable in the event of a worst-case scenario.”

First and foremost, ham radio is a hobby pursuant to FCC rules; in exchange, the FCC permits ham radio operators to use bandwith without charge.

“I can’t take a dime for my services,” Colton said. “No one can even buy me a cup of coffee. There is no money involved. … Some people fish; some people scuba dive. We like to communicate with people all over the globe - be it through Morse code, microphone or, now, digitally.”

Serving as the last-in-line communication in emergencies is just one of myriad functions that ham radio has.

Before satellites, for instance, ham radio was used to communicate with researchers at the South Pole, Colton said.

More recently, in June 2009, ham radio was used to communicate that Jim Calhoun had fallen off his bike during his annual charity ride in Simsbury.

“Cellphones in that area [of the ride] did not work,” Colton said. “We got the message to (the) ambulance and got things going that way.”

But mostly, ham radio is used for fun, as Colton noted an 24-hour contest to see which operator could connect to the most people.

Still, residents can take solace in knowing that they will not be totally disconnected to the outside world in the event of a dire situation.

Dick Lydon, a ham radio operator of 35 years, said that he got the bug to engage in the hobby while serving as an electric technician in the Navy.

“Helping people is a small aspect of ham radio, but it attracts me,” Lydon said.

For more information on ham radio, log on to the American Radio Relay League’s website at _www.arrl.org_ (http://www.arrl.org/) .

# 1410. NFARES Net August 28, 2011

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2011-08-29 12:24:40 UTC
From: w4uoc@aol.com
Topic: 1410  Message: 1410

The North Fulton ARES net opened at 8:30 p.m. EDT
on 147.06 + 100 hz

The following 12 stations were in the net:

W4UOC TOM NCS
N4SEC JIM
W4CFF CHRIS
W4QO JIM
AD4MC MIKE (Echolink)
K4YJI BILL
KI4DSO GEORGE
AK4EX STUART
N4TOL JOHN
N4MPB KAREN
W4JR MIKE
KK4CKH LANCE

Announcements and discussions included:
North American Mission Board - Disaster Relief activation is at standby.
Hamjam is scheduled for October 22, 2011

The net was closed at 8:45 p.m. EDT

# 1411. Ham radio volunteers needed! (Atlanta Marathon 9/30/11 and Atlanta Half Marathon 11/24/11)

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2011-08-30 21:45:37 UTC
From: David Ziskind, KE4QLH
Topic: 1411  Message: 1411

Dear fellow hams,

I'm looking for volunteers for the Atlanta Marathon on Sunday, October 30, 2011 and the Atlanta Half Marathon on Thursday, November 24, 2011 (Thanksgiving Day).  Can you help?

Available positions include aid stations along the course, SAG wagons (mobile), pace car, and shadows.

Please sign up online at these links -

Atlanta Marathon (October 30, 2011):
<http://www.doitsports.com/volunteer2/info.tcl?job_id=54220354>

Atlanta Half Marathon (November 24, 2011):
<http://www.doitsports.com/volunteer2/info.tcl?job_id=24976808>

73,
David Ziskind KE4QLH
ke4qlh@...

# 1412. 911 10th Anniversary Preparedness - CONFIDENTIAL DO NOT FORWARD OR BROADCAST

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2011-09-02 12:24:34 UTC
From: w4uoc@aol.com
Topic: 1412  Message: 1412

I am sure that you are well aware that next weekend will mark the 10th Anniversary of the multiple attacks on the United States. I have not been told of any official alerts pertaining to specific threats or to be overly concerned about the potential for isolated disturbances.

However, I have been asked by Lt. Bart Humble, Homeland Security Coordinator for the City of Sandy Springs, to be prepared to provide back-up communications for the city's Public Safety organizations.

We have been asked to be prepared to activate our NFARES VHF/UHF communications system in support of the Sandy Springs EOC/ Chat Comm 911 Center, Fire/Rescue and Police. This potential period of alert would be for the dates Sept 8-12, 2011.

The locations that would require our support include the following:

Sandy Springs - EOC
Sandy Springs - PD
Fire Station 1
Fire Station 2
Fire Station 3
Fire Station 4

If the support is limited only to the Sandy Springs area this net would initially be using the 146.49 simplex frequency with the NFARES VHF/UHF repeater as backup. Any activation of this type of effort may also require a call/up or rally point, using the NFARES VHF repeater.

I seriously doubt that any or threats or disturbances will materialize but we need to have a select, experienced, group of amateur radio operators at least on standby for such an activation. If you are going to be in the area between Sept. 8-12 and are willing to be prepared to support these efforts please respond by email advising me as to which location you will be responsible for. Although we have antennas and transmission lines at all the Fire Stations you will need to provide a radio and power supply for those stations. Radios are in place at both the EOC and Police headquarters.

Ideally we should have more than one person responsible for each location and I will take responsibility for the Sandy Springs EOC.

Tom Koch - W4UOC
Emergency Coordinator - North Fulton Amateur Radio Emergency Service

# 1413. Re: [nfares] 911 10th Anniversary Preparedness - CONFIDENTIAL DO NOT FORWARD OR BROADCAST

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2011-09-02 12:44:36 UTC
From: Mike Cohen
Topic: 1412  Message: 1413

Tom,

It is good to know that NFARES is sought out for backup communications support. I should be available on short notice to go to any location that needs help.

73,
Mike - AD4MC

Mike Cohen
(404) 981-8624

On Fri, Sep 2, 2011 at 8:24 AM, <w4uoc@...> wrote:

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> Tom Koch - W4UOC
> Emergency Coordinator - North Fulton Amateur Radio Emergency Service
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# 1414. Re: [nfares] 911 10th Anniversary Preparedness - CONFIDENTIAL DO NOT FORWARD OR BROADCAST

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2011-09-02 14:11:04 UTC
From: Bill Reed
Topic: 1412  Message: 1414

I should be able to help out.

Bill Reed, K4YJI

e-mail wreed.ie57@...

Telephone 770-993-5758
e-FAX 918-512-7881

Please consider the environment before printing this message

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> Emergency Coordinator - North Fulton Amateur Radio Emergency Service
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# 1415. North Fulton ARES Net, 9/4/2011, 8:30 pm

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2011-09-03 00:25:26 UTC
From: nfares@yahoogroups.com
Topic: 1415  Message: 1415

Reminder from: nfares Yahoo! Group
http://groups.yahoo.com/group/nfares/cal

North Fulton ARES Net
Sunday September 4, 2011
8:30 pm - 9:30 pm
(This event repeats every week.)
Location: 147.060 MHz (plus 600kHz) PL 100.0. Backup is 145.470 MHz (minus 600 kHz) PL 100.0

Notes:
Please remember that both repeaters now require a PL tone of 100.0 Hz

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# 1416. MT63-2000 on Android phones

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2011-09-03 13:19:08 UTC
From: Mike Cohen
Topic: 1416  Message: 1416

For those of you who have Android phones and want to play with the digital mode MT63-2000 (one of the digital modes used with FLDIGI), here's a free app (accoustic only) that you can try.

https://market.android.com/details?id=net.thinkindifferent.mt63

73,
Mike - AD4MC

Mike Cohen
(404) 981-8624

# 1417. Fwd: Tropical Depression #13

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2011-09-03 15:38:22 UTC
From: w4uoc@aol.com
Topic: 1417  Message: 1417

This message is being sent to all EMA Directors in the Peachtree City National Weather Service coverage area, all ESF Leads and all GEMA staff.

A weather impact briefing on Tropical Depression #13 has been posted online as a videocast courtesy of the National Weather Service Office in Peachtree City . This The link for the briefing is

_http://www.srh.noaa.gov/media/ffc/videocast/TD13/player.html_ (http://www.srh.noaa.gov/media/ffc/videocast/TD13/player.html) .

# 1418. Metro Atlanta District ARES Net

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2011-09-04 12:23:50 UTC
From: Tom Koch
Topic: 1418  Message: 1418

REMINDER: Metro Atlanta District ARES Net
WHEN: Sunday, September 4th, 4:00pm
FREQUENCY: 146.820 (-) 146.2hz tone
NET CONTROL: Cobb County
Please forward this email to your respective ARES members to check in on the Metro Atlanta District ARES Net, this *_Sunday, September 4th at 4pm_*. Listed below is the remainder of the Metro ARES net for the rest of the year. Net is 1st Sunday at 4pm on 146.820. Thanks in advance for ensuring you have someone call the net for your county.
October - South Fulton County
November - North Fulton County
December - DEC Jim Millsap
See you on the net, Thanks,
Jim Millsap-WB4NWS
DEC-Metro Atlanta

# 1419. NF ARES NET - 9/4/2011

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2011-09-05 00:49:38 UTC
From: Scott Dunbar
Topic: 1419  Message: 1419

This Sunday evening, we had 8 check-ins, including myself. Everyone was a member of NFARL/ARES.

N4sbd

Scott

ad4mc

Mike

ak4ex

Stuart

k4yji

Bill

n4bta

Bret

n4sec

Jim

ak4tl

Clyde

ki4dso

George

The net closed at 8:40PM local time.

Scott Dunbar
Global Solutions Manager
NOKIA
(t) +1 404-828-0236
(e) scott.dunbar@...<mailto:scott.dunbar@...>

# 1420. For Sale - Kenwood TS-450S

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2011-09-06 17:08:15 UTC
From: w4uoc@aol.com
Topic: 1420  Message: 1420
Attachments: 1 described; binary payloads are missing from this source WARC

For Sale, Kenwood TS-450S 160-10 mtr 100 watt, SSB/CW/AM/FM with built in antenna tuner.
$500.00 You welcome to check it out on the air at my QTH.

Tom Koch - W4UOC
8170 Habersham Waters Road
Sandy Springs, GA 30350
404-314-6109

# 1421. North Fulton County ARES Meeting, 9/13/2011, 7:00 pm

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2011-09-06 22:55:26 UTC
From: nfares@yahoogroups.com
Topic: 1421  Message: 1421

Reminder from: nfares Yahoo! Group
http://groups.yahoo.com/group/nfares/cal

North Fulton County ARES Meeting
Tuesday September 13, 2011
7:00 pm - 8:30 pm
(This event repeats every month on the second Tuesday.)
(The next reminder for this event will be sent in 6 days, 4 minutes.)
Location: Sandy Springs City Council Chambers
Street: Morgan Falls Office Park, 7840 Roswell Road Building 500
City State Zip: Sandy Springs, GA 30350

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# 1422. North Fulton ARES Net, 9/11/2011, 8:30 pm

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2011-09-10 00:25:21 UTC
From: nfares@yahoogroups.com
Topic: 1422  Message: 1422

Reminder from: nfares Yahoo! Group
http://groups.yahoo.com/group/nfares/cal

North Fulton ARES Net
Sunday September 11, 2011
8:30 pm - 9:30 pm
(This event repeats every week.)
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Notes:
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# 1423. Re: [nfares] North Fulton County ARES Meeting, 9/13/2011, 7:00 pm

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2011-09-10 21:43:04 UTC
From: Mike Cohen
Topic: 1421  Message: 1423
Attachments: 1 described; binary payloads are missing from this source WARC

For all 34 of you who have already signed up to volunteer for the 2011 NFARES SET and also for all of you who haven't decided yet, our next NFARES meeting (see below) would be a great time for an eyeball QSO with your fellow 2011 SET Team members.

At this month's NFARES meeting, we will go over 2011 SET preparations including a demo and practice of digital message transmissions on VHF using the free software program Fldigi. You can even practice Fldigi acoustically using your laptop without a radio. Yeah, that's really wireless. Note that using Fldigi during the 2011 SET is *not* required, but we think that you will find it very useful and fun too.

Attached is info on how to download and set up Fldigi, so try it and, if you can, bring along a laptop to the meeting. Most of you will bring along an HT anyway, so you can practice with that too.

Hope to see you Tuesday evening...

73,
Mike - AD4MC

Mike Cohen
(404) 981-8624

On Tue, Sep 6, 2011 at 6:55 PM, <nfares@yahoogroups.com> wrote:

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> Reminder from: *nfares Yahoo! Group<http://groups.yahoo.com/group/nfares/cal>
> * Title: North Fulton County ARES Meeting Date: Tuesday September
> 13, 2011 Time: 7:00 pm - 8:30 pm Repeats: This event repeats every
> month on the second Tuesday. Next reminder: The next reminder for this
> event will be sent in 6 days, 4 minutes. Location: Sandy Springs City
> Council Chambers Street: Morgan Falls Office Park, 7840 Roswell Road
> Building 500 City State Zip: Sandy Springs, GA 30350 Get reminders on
> your mobile, Yahoo! Messenger, and email.
> Edit reminder options <http://groups.yahoo.com/group/nfares/cal?v=75>
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Policy<http://privacy.yahoo.com/privacy/us>
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# 1424. FOR SALE HF RADIOS

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2011-09-12 15:39:06 UTC
From: w4uoc@aol.com
Topic: 1424 Message: 1424

This equipment is for sale by Winn Hall WA4KKW in Elljay, GA. If you are interested in any of this equipment you can contact the seller directly at _gariverboy65@..._ (mailto:gariverboy65@...) or 386-295-5167.
If you need a description of the equipment you can go to www.rig.pix.com .
I have seen the equipment and it all is in
good 8 out of 10 cosmetic condition.

Tom Koch - W4UOC

BRAND MODEL DESCRIPTION SERIAL # PRICE

Kenwood TS 830 S Xcvr 100 watts 3010786 $425.00

Kenwood TS 830 S Xcvr 100 wattS 3010409 $425.00 Manual, Svc Manual, Schematic

Kenwood VFO-230 VFO 2100127 $225.00 Manual

Kenwood SO-230 Speaker 1120775 $85.00

Kenwood SM-220 Station Monitor w/ BS-8 Filter 8030021 $385.00 Manual

Kenwood SM-220 Station Monitor 0020133 $300.00

Kenwood AT-200 Antenna Tuner 950626 $175.00

Hammarlund HQ-129-X Receiver C1116 $125.00 Manual copy

# 1425. NFARES 2-meter net, Sunday, September 11, 2011

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2011-09-12 21:20:27 UTC
From: Mike Cohen
Topic: 1425  Message: 1425

We had 14 check-ins on the NFARES 2-meter net, Sunday, September 11, 2011

W4UOC - Tom, Sandy Springs, EC North Fulton, BP

N4SBD – Scott, Alpharetta, BP

KG5WU – Wayne, W. Cobb, BP

N4SEC - Jim, Alpharetta, BP

K4YJI – Bill, E. Cobb, BP

N4BTA - Bret, Mobile Douglasville, BP

N4CUS – John, Roswell

AA4FA - Dan, Dunwoody, BP

W4QO – Jim, W. Roswell, BP

KI4DSO – George, Norcross

AK4TL – Clyde, Dunwoody, BP

W4CCH - Chris, Woodstock

KK4CKH – Lance, Alpharetta

AD4MC (NCS) – Mike, Sandy Springs, BP

BP = Battery Power

Comments:

W4QO;

Ham Jam will be help on October 22

AD4MC;

K4YJI logged into the GA ARES digital, voice and WinLink nets today.

W4UOC and AD4MC logged into the GA ARES Digital net.

Our next NFARES meeting will cover the 2011 NFARES SET and we will also cover Fldigi.

The next scheduled net will be Sunday, September 18th. This net closed at 8:53 PM.

73,

Mike - AD4MC

404-981-8624

73,

Mike - AD4MC

404-981-8624

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Mike - AD4MC

Mike Cohen
(404) 981-8624

# 1426. North Fulton County ARES Meeting, 9/13/2011, 7:00 pm

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2011-09-12 22:56:50 UTC
From: nfares@yahoogroups.com
Topic: 1421  Message: 1426

Reminder from: nfares Yahoo! Group
http://groups.yahoo.com/group/nfares/cal

North Fulton County ARES Meeting
Tuesday September 13, 2011
7:00 pm - 8:30 pm
(This event repeats every month on the second Tuesday.)
Location: Sandy Springs City Council Chambers
Street: Morgan Falls Office Park, 7840 Roswell Road Building 500
City State Zip: Sandy Springs, GA 30350

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# 1427. HamJam2011

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2011-09-13 16:08:34 UTC
From: Jim Stafford
Topic: 1427  Message: 1427

Bill Reed, K4YJI, who is a faithful member of all the nets, not just the one on Sunday night but GA digital, etc, will have tickets for HamJam2011 at the meeting tonight. If you have not been to the hamjam.info site, please do so and notice all the great prizes that will be won this year by someone - why not you? I'd like to suggest that you as a member of NFARES consider buying a full sheet - 5 tickets for $20 tonight at the meeting from Bill.

Now it pays for all the expenses and any left over is for the NFARL/SEDXC scholarship fund and our own Frances Doyle, AJ4JQ, and Mike Almeter, W4MJA, won these scholarships last year and are on their way to Mercer and UNLV for matriculation.

We have intentionally kept prices low to belong to NFARL who support NFARES and the emergency effort. How about helping out with the raffle at HamJam2011 by buying a sheet tonight!

Now back in the hole!

Jim/w4qo

# 1428. Join us for "Winlink 2000 Intro" Webinar

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2011-09-16 21:26:03 UTC
From: Bret Arnold
Topic: 1428  Message: 1428

Winlink Webinar! Steve Waterman, one of the WL2K developers, sent this invitation to a large audience, so register early. Winmor soundcard protocol works great!
73,
Bret

Space is limited.
Reserve your Webinar seat now at:
https://www1.gotomeeting.com/register/359652552

--- On Fri, 9/16/11, kg4vub <kg4vub@...> wrote:

From: kg4vub <kg4vub@...>
Subject: FW: Join us for "Winlink 2000 Intro" Webinar
To: "W4AYK@..." <w4ayk@mchsi.com>, "Thomas Holcomb" <k5aes@...>, "Mike Brown" <ke4fgf@...>, "Steve Garrison" <N4SEG@...>, "WB4NWS Jim Millsap" <wb4nws@bellsouth.net>, "Frank Dean" <kfd455@...>, "Freida & Buzz" <backacre348@...>, "Bret Arnold" <n4bta@...>, "Lowry Rouse" <km4z@...>
Date: Friday, September 16, 2011, 3:54 PM

This should be interesting to those who want to get an understanding of what Winlink is, its various features and capabilities. It is a Webinar that you can view online from home, you must register ahead of time.

Tom
KG4VUB

---------- Forwarded message ----------
From: Steve Waterman <k4cjx@...>
Date: Fri, Sep 16, 2011 at 3:30 PM
Subject: [wl2kemcomm] FW: Join us for "Winlink 2000 Intro" Webinar
To: Wl2kemcomm <wl2kemcomm@yahoogroups.com>, "Winlink_Programs_Group@yahoogroups.com" <Winlink_Programs_Group@yahoogroups.com>, WINLINK2K <WINLINK2K@yahoogroups.com>

Winlink 2000 Intro

Join us for a Webinar on September 21

Winlink 2000 is a voluntary world-wide digital messaging system providing through Amateur radio, and various government contingency communications services, enabling communications where Internet e-mail and other messaging services are not normally available, or appropriate for use.

Winlink 2000 provides a variety of solutions for the Amateur radio operator including VHF/UHF Packet, HF Pactor and Winmor, which come in different bandwidths, reliabilities, and speeds. Winlink 2000 is used a link to family, friends and weather information for the remote Amateur radio operator. In addition,

Winlink 2000 has proven itself as an effective emergency communications options for various non-commercial and government organizations, as well as Amateur radio operators, when normal emergency communications infrastructure is not otherwise available. Attendees will learn what Winlink is, catch up on the latest developments and get a look at some real world Winlink installations as well as some field examples.

Title:

Winlink 2000 Intro

Date:

Wednesday, September 21, 2011

Time:

9:00 PM - 10:30 PM EDT

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Required: Windows® 7, Vista, XP or 2003 Server

Macintosh®-based attendees
Required: Mac OS® X 10.5 or newer

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# 1429. North Fulton ARES Net, 9/18/2011, 8:30 pm

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2011-09-17 00:25:21 UTC
From: nfares@yahoogroups.com
Topic: 1429  Message: 1429

Reminder from: nfares Yahoo! Group
http://groups.yahoo.com/group/nfares/cal

North Fulton ARES Net
Sunday September 18, 2011
8:30 pm - 9:30 pm
(This event repeats every week.)
Location: 147.060 MHz (plus 600kHz) PL 100.0. Backup is 145.470 MHz (minus 600 kHz) PL 100.0

Notes:
Please remember that both repeaters now require a PL tone of 100.0 Hz

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# 1430. map of our area...

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2011-09-19 01:49:12 UTC
From: Jim Stafford
Topic: 1430  Message: 1430

This map can be blown up to show a very small area. it does not include
Dunwoody:

http://www.sandyspringsga.org/getmedia/ea53aea9-3f47-4b52-ada9-69dd4973e68f/N-FultonCounty-MetroArea_updated;;.aspx;.html

You may have to copy pieces of this url to fit into your browser. It is
a PDF and is quite large;
it just shows small on your screen initially.

jim/w4qo

# 1431. NFARES Digital 2-meter training net, Sunday, September 18, 2011

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2011-09-19 19:15:32 UTC
From: Mike Cohen
Topic: 1431  Message: 1431

We had 5 check-ins on the NFARES Digital 2-meter training net, Sunday, September 18, 2011, starting at 8:51PM

W4UOC - Tom, Sandy Springs, EC North Fulton

AK4TL – Clyde, Dunwoody

K4YJJ – Bill, Sandy Springs, BP

WA0QMJ – Jonathan, Alpharetta

AD4MC (NCS) – Mike, Sandy Springs

Comments:

We held a voice/digital training net to help us prepare for the 2011 NFARES SET on Sunday, October 16th from 3:00-6:00 PM. We practiced using Flmsg and all stations were able to send and receive messages using the Radiogram format, which is similar to the ARRL format.

Here is the link to download the latest versions of Fldigi, Flmsg and Flwrap.

*http://www.w1hkj.com/download.html*

If you are using Windows, download and install:
*fldigi-3.21.1<http://www.w1hkj.com/downloads/fldigi/fldigi-3.21.13_setup.exe>
4*, *flmsg-1.1.6<http://www.w1hkj.com/downloads/flmsg/flmsg-1.1.6_setup.exe>
* and *flwrap-1.3.1<http://www.w1hkj.com/downloads/flwrap/flwrap-1.3.1_setup.exe>
*

You may want to also download *Beginners Guide pdf file<http://www.w1hkj.com/downloads/fldigi/fldigi-beginners-3.20.pdf>
* and *Fldigi-Help <http://www.w1hkj.com/FldigiHelp-3.21/index.html>*

Please join us for future voice/digital training nets on Sundays, immediately following the NFARES net. We will tentatively also be holding digital training nets on Wednesday nights starting at 8:30PM using the 147.06 (+) PL 100 Hz repeater.

This net closed at 10:14 PM.

73,

Mike - AD4MC

404-981-8624

# 1432. AK4TL Clyde NFARES Net 9-18-2011.

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2011-09-20 03:13:21 UTC
From: CLYDE MCCLAIN
Topic: 1432  Message: 1432

NFARES Sunday night net. 09/18/2011
 2030 Hours local. AK4TL, Clyde, net control.Using the North Fulton Amateur Radio League repeater 147.06 Mhz in Roswell GA. Pl 100. 14 check ins total including net control.
 Traffic from 1. AD4MC Mike. Info on the SET and fldigi practice tonight and on Weds. night. 2. N4SEC Jim. NFARL meeting Tues. night reminder. 3. W4UOC Tom. Upcoming schedule for meetings and coordination of SET. Sandy Springs Fire Station equipment update. 4. KG5WU Wayne. State ARES checkins for W4UOC Digital and SSB, AK4TL Digital and SSB. No Echolink checkins per AD4MC noted.

  01. W4UOC Tom Sandy Springs battery
  02. AD4MC Mike Sandy Springs battery
  03. N4SEC Jim P.
  04. W4QO Jim S., battery
  05. K4YJI Bill R., E. Cobb battery
  06. N4SBD Scott Alpharetta battery
  07. KD4NKE Sheila Mobile in Dekalb battery
  08. AK4EX Stuart Sandy Springs
  09. K4YJJ Bill C., Sandy Springs battery
  10. K0WSB Paul Dunwoody
  11. AA4FA Dan Dunwoody battery
  12. KG5WU Wayne S. Cobb battery
  13. WA0QMJ Jonathan Alpharetta
  14. AK4TL Clyde Dunwoody Net Control

  Net Ended at Approx. 2051 Hours.Thank you to everyone participating.

# 1433. Request for excess 2 Mtr antennas for Fire Stations

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2011-09-20 14:58:02 UTC
From: w4uoc@aol.com
Topic: 1433  Message: 1433

Our North Fulton ARES organization is attempting to put exterior antennas on those Johns Creek and Milton fire stations that do not have antennas. We did have funding for four Sandy Springs fire stations and considering the fact that we had some stations with existing towers and vhf antennas we were able to put one of the extras at Johns Creek 63 but need antennas for the Jonns Creek fire station on Rogers Circle and one for the newest of the Milton fire stations.

I had a couple Ranger 1s or 2s that came out of estate but I gave them away some months ago.

Do any of you have an unused two meter antenna like a Ranger 1 that you would be willing to donate to the effort?

Tom Koch - W4UOC
EC - North Fulton ARES

# 1434. North Fulton ARES Net, 9/25/2011, 8:30 pm

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2011-09-24 00:25:23 UTC
From: nfares@yahoogroups.com
Topic: 1434  Message: 1434

Reminder from: nfares Yahoo! Group
http://groups.yahoo.com/group/nfares/cal

North Fulton ARES Net
Sunday September 25, 2011
8:30 pm - 9:30 pm
(This event repeats every week.)
Location: 147.060 MHz (plus 600kHz) PL 100.0. Backup is 145.470 MHz (minus 600 kHz) PL 100.0

Notes:
Please remember that both repeaters now require a PL tone of 100.0 Hz

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# 1435. Fwd: Tenet Hospital Test

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2011-09-24 01:47:51 UTC
From: w4uoc@aol.com
Topic: 1435  Message: 1435

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From: W4UOC@...
To: n4bta@...
Sent: 9/23/2011 9:46:41 P.M. Eastern Daylight Time
Subj: Re: Tenet Hospital Test

GREAT JOB ! This just proves that we have experienced NFARE members we
can do the job when called upon.

As information to others.... we were asked to participate in a national
emcom communications test between North Fulton Hospital, a Tenet Corporate
Hospital, headquarterd out of Houston, TX and other Tenet hospitals across the
United States.

In a message dated 9/23/2011 9:02:55 P.M. Eastern Daylight Time,
n4bta@... writes:

Tom,
The test from North Fulton Hospital went well. Scott hooked us up on
D-Star and EchoLink, and he worked the station in Jackson GA via the 146.880
machine. We were able to check in on 20 and 40 meters, and also sent them a
Winlink message. I copied Larry Collett on the email, and he was impressed
when it hit his phone immediately.
Thanks,
Bret

# 1436. GA ARES SET Saturday October 1st 9am

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2011-09-24 10:45:53 UTC
From: w4uoc@aol.com
Topic: 1436  Message: 1436
Attachments: 1 described; binary payloads are missing from this source WARC

We have been asked to participate in an area wide Simulated Emergency Test next Saturday, one week from today. I will not be in Atlanta during this period and wondered if any of you would be able to participate in this exercise for a couple of hours from your home stations. Most of the traffic will be simplex vhf/uhf, winlink/packet or HF. Attached are the details specific to the Metro Atlanta segment of the SET.

Please let me know if you are interested in participating.

Tom Koch - W4UOC
EC - North Fulton NFARES

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From: wb4nws@bellsouth.net
To: wb4nws@..., juanpabloquiroga@..., w4uoc@...,
kc4elv@..., rbaker4@..., wb4qdx@..., ed@humphries.com,
ag4zr@..., davenesf@..., kj4nax@..., wa4ujc@...t,
radio.w4tga@...
Sent: 9/23/2011 7:13:10 P.M. Eastern Daylight Time
Subj: Re: 1 Week until the SET Saturday October 1st 9am

TO: ALL METRO ATLANTA DISTRICT ARES

re: SET October 1st

I trust all EC's have prepared a plan to particpate in the annual SET. More specifically, for Metro Atlanta District, I am asking you to have a representative check in from your County area on 146.520 simplex at 9:45am. Be prepared to relay from county to county as needed and advise how many of your ARES members are participating.

Once we get all counties checked in, then we will secure and move off to your respective ARES frequencies. I have attached the final revision of the SET which includes surrounding States and the goal is towork as much simplex as possible. HF will be needed for interstate traffic, ARRL traffic, amd ICS 213 forms (to be sent using FLmsg with FLdigi in PSK31 mode on 3.583 USB. There will be D-STAR traffic on REF 30C and Winlink, Winmoor, and Airmail will be used also. The SOC at GEMA will be activated with operators as well. Messages can be sent to WX4GMA via Winlink.

I encourage as much particpation as possible between 9am-12 noon and to sned you reports in to Steve Ewald per instructions below. SET forms are available online at
_http://www.arrl.org/public-service-field-services-forms_
(http://www.arrl.org/public-service-field-services-forms) (http://www.arrl.net/)

Please place this on your calendar to particpate in the SET on Saturday, October 1st. Please see info from ARRL, Steve Ewald below. i look forward to the best SET ever. Thanks in advance.

Jim Millsap-WB4NWS
DEC-Metro Atlanta District

Hello, ARRL Section Leaders and Field Appointees.
The following announcement summarizes the annual ARRL Simulated Emergency Test, and reviews its purposes, and suggests what to be sure to do after the exercise. The announcement also conveniently provides the ARRL Web page links to find the SET reporting forms and the Emergency Coordinator Annual Report Form.
Best wishes on your upcoming Simulated Emergency Test!
73,
Steve Ewald, WV1X
Supervisor, Field Organization Team
ARRL, the national association for Amateur Radio™
860-594-0265
_sewald@..._ (mailto:sewald@...)
2011 Simulated Emergency Test
October 1 & 2
The ARRL Simulated Emergency Test is a nationwide exercise in emergency communications, administered by ARRL Field Organization Leaders including Emergency Coordinators, District Emergency Coordinators, Section Emergency Coordinators and Net Managers. Many other Section Leaders like the Section Manager and the Section Traffic Manager may have a hand in planning the exercises and/or reviewing the results. Amateur Radio Emergency Service ® (ARES®), National Traffic System (NTS), Radio Amateur Civil Emergency Service (RACES) and other public-service oriented groups can be involved. The SET weekend gives communicators the opportunity to focus on the emergency-communications capability within your community while interacting with NTS nets. Although the main SET weekend this year is October 1 and 2, local and section-wide exercises may be held throughout the fall season.
During September, the ARRL is among dozens of organizations and agencies taking part in National Preparedness Month. "The Ready Campaign," produced by the Ad Council in partnership with the US Department of Homeland Security (DHS), is aimed at making citizen preparedness "a priority for every city, every neighborhood and every home" in the US. The ARRL encourages you to consider this year's Simulated Emergency Test and preparations for it as a demonstration of Amateur Radio's readiness and as an active participant in National Preparedness Month. _http://www.ready.gov/_ (http://www.ready.gov/) , _http://www.ready.gov/america/npm10/index.html_ (http://www.ready.gov/america/npm10/index.html)
Purpose of SET
As you conduct your Simulated Emergency Test, please keep these overall purposes in mind:
1. To find out the strengths and weaknesses of ARES, NTS, RACES and other groups in providing emergency communications.
2. To provide a public demonstration--to served agencies such as the American Red Cross, the emergency management agency and through the news media--of the value to the public that Amateur Radio provides, particularly

in time of need.
3. To help radio amateurs gain experience in communications using standard procedures and a variety of modes under simulated-emergency conditions.
Format
The scoring format reflects broad objectives and encourages use of digital modes for handling high-volume traffic and point-to-point Welfare reports out of the affected simulated- disaster area. Participants will find SET an opportunity to strengthen the VHF-HF link at the local level, thereby ensuring that ARES and NTS are working in concert. The SET will give all levels of NTS the chance to handle exercise-related traffic. The guidelines also recognize tactical traffic on behalf of served agencies.
Test messages should carry the word "TEST" before the precedence; that is, "Test Priority" on phone and "TEST P" on cw. The text of such messages should also begin with the words "TEST MESSAGE."
ARES units and other groups are free to conduct their emergency exercises anytime between September and December if an alternative date is preferred. The activity period should not exceed 48 hours.
Links to SET reporting forms and the EC Annual Report may be found at _http://www.arrl.org/public-service-field-services-forms_ (http://www.arrl.org/public-service-field-services-forms) . After logging on the page, scroll
down and look in the middle of the page for links titled
“Form A: EC Simulated Emergency Test Report”,
“Form B: NM Simulated Emergency Test Report,” and
“Form C: EC Annual Report.”
Please e-mail your SET summaries to ARRL Headquarters via _sewald@..._ (mailto:sewald@...) . If you mail them to ARRL via the postal service, the address is: ARRL Headquarters, 225 Main Street, Newington, CT06111-1494. February 1, 2012, is the receipt deadline.
After the SET
An important post-SET activity is a critique session to discuss the test results. All ARES (and RACES) members should be invited to the meeting to review good points and weaknesses apparent in the drill. Emphasize ways to improve procedures, techniques, and coordination with all groups involved. Report your group's effort using the appropriate forms and include any photos, clippings and other items of interest.
Please send those SET reporting forms and photographs with captions and photo credit to your Section Emergency Coordinator, Section Manager, and/or Section Traffic Manager (for Net Manger SET reports) and to ARRL Headquarters via _sewald@..._ (mailto:sewald@...) .
One of the first steps on the way to a successful SET is to try to get as many people involved as possible-- and especially new hams. In a real emergency, we find amateurs with all sorts of varied interests coming out of the woodwork. Let's get them involved in SET so they will know more about how emergency communications should be handled. Promote SET on nets and repeaters, and sign up new, enthusiastic radio amateurs. Many of those offering to help will be inexperienced in public-service activities. It's up to you to explain what's going on to them, and provide them with useful roles. They may like it so much that they become a permanent fixture in your ARES or

NTS group. For a review of last year's nationwide Simulated Emergency Test, read the article in July, 2011, QST.
Thank you for your efforts!

# 1437. North Fulton ARES net, Sunday 8/25/2011 @ 8:30PM

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2011-09-26 01:13:17 UTC
From: Scott Dunbar
Topic: 1437  Message: 1437

We had the following checkins:

n4sbd

Scott

Battery Power

w4uoc

Tom

Battery Power

w5jr

Mike

Echolink

k4yji

Bill

Battery Power

aa4fa

Dan

Battery Power

w4cch

Chris

Battery Power

ad4mc

Mike

Battery Power

n4sec

Jim

Battery Power

ak4ex

Stuart

ak4tl

Clyde

Battery Power

wa0qmj

Johnathan

n4tol

John

w4qo

Jim

Battery Power / Echolink

Bill / k4yji also checking into the ARES digital and ARES HF net today.

# 1438. Fldigi Instructions - UPDATE

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2011-09-26 02:38:59 UTC
From: Mike Cohen
Topic: 1438  Message: 1438

2011 NFARES SET Team,

For those of you who want to try to use the digital program Fldigi during the SET, the Instructions have been updated to include using Radiograms with Flmsg. See item 13 on pages 5 and 6. To use Fldigi during the SET, you will need to bring a laptop that you have previously set up.

Instructions for setting up Fldigi: FLDIGI Instructions v1.doc<https://docs.google.com/document/d/1l9IdxmTDzkNGsuWkRPfokDNIIto1W1aq47JHoFSMPSM/edit>

*Note *that for the SET, Fldigi is *not *required, but whenever the sending and receiving stations both have it set up, I'm quite sure that you will want to use it instead of using voice to pass a message.

As always, let me know if you have any questions, including wanting to get some on-the-air training and practice before the SET.

73,
Mike - AD4MC

Mike Cohen
(404) 981-8624

# 1439. Icon IC-25A Radio installed at Sandy Springs Fire Station #4

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2011-09-26 19:26:22 UTC
From: w4uoc@aol.com
Topic: 1439  Message: 1439
Attachments: 3 described; binary payloads are missing from this source WARC

Mike

Here are pictures of the radio I installed at Sandy Springs FS #4
The radio is on the counter and the power supply is located just to the
right
on the floor.

It has memories and I connected to 147.06 and 145.47 with good reports.

The manual is with the radio.

Tom Koch

# 1440. Reminder of ARES use of REF030 this weekend

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2011-09-29 21:01:42 UTC
From: w4uoc@aol.com
Topic: 1440 Message: 1440

For your information:

Bret N4BTA will be the primary station during the GA ARES SET
representing NFARES from his home.
He will be monitoring HF, VHF Packet Winlink, HF Winmor.

I would encourage all NFARES members to participate during the set with
some direction from Bret on the 147.06 repeater and 3.975 lsb. The idea of
this SET is to primarily use simplex VHF and HF communications .

Those of you with D/Star and D/Rats should monitor REF-30C for voice and/or
REF-30B for D/Rats
Bret will probably put out some info on our NFARES internet to provide some
guidance during the SET.

It will start at 9:00 a.m. Saturday Oct 1, and probably run until noon.

I will participate from Ellijay with D/Star

Tom Koch - W4UOC

Please remember that ARES will be using REF030 C and B for the annual
Simulated Emergency Test this Saturday, October 1st. Participing states
include Georgia, Alabams, Tennessee, North Florida, North Carolina and South
Carolins

REF030C will be used for voice traffic for linked repeaters during the
exercise. REF030B will be used for D-RATS data traffic. REF030A is still
available for normal activity during the day, but PLEASE limit traffic on B
and C to SET exercise traffic.
The following Georgia repeaters will be linked for the exercise on
Saturday:
Voice D-RATS Data
REF030C REF030B

WX4GPB C WX4GPB B Stone Mountain/Atlanta
KJ4PYA C KJ4PYA B Appling/Augusta
KJ4PXY C KJ4PXY B Athens
KJ4PYB C KJ4PYB B Thomasville
KJ4GGV C KJ4GGV B Pembroke/Savannah
KJ4KLD C KJ4KLD B Albany
Other repeaters in Georgia and the participating states may link to the
appropriate reflector above, but traffic must be limited to the exercise.
Please notify your local users if your repeater will be linked in.
REF030 and the repeaters above were funded through a grant to establish a
statewide emergency communications network and will be used exclusively for
drills, exercises and emergencies as required. They are always available

for normal communications outside of these times. Thanks to everyone for their cooperation and participation. If you have any questions, please contact me at _wb4qdx@..._ (mailto:wb4qdx@...) .
John Davis WB4QDX
District Emergency Coordinator
Georgia ARES

# 1441. State SET

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2011-09-30 03:33:16 UTC
From: Bret Arnold
Topic: 1441  Message: 1441

For the State SET this Saturday, there will be a short net on the Roswell 147.060 repeater starting at 09:00. The number of check ins will be reported to WB4NWS during the county roll call at 09:45. The published frequencies for NFARES during this SET are the 147.060 and also 146.490 simplex.

Everyone is encouraged to operate in the HF, Digital, Winlink, and 60 meter portion of the SET. Keep up with your time and forward that to me, so Wayne can have it for the reports.

Tom has previously forwarded this information from Jim Millsap:

The primary simplex frequency for all Metro Atlanta District ARES to check in on will be 146.520 at 9:45am promptly. Please check in at that time with the total number of ARES participants in your County and if your EOC is activated. There will be a roll call by County with relays as needed and I will be the NCS. After all counties have checked in, you may secure to your respective frequencies to continue the SET. Please remember to have someone check in to the SOC at GEMA via Airmail/Winlink to WX4GMA and provide the number of participants of your ARES group and if your EOC is activated also.

As info, I have inserted the Metro ARES simplex Net (in blue). Please follow the list of net checkins below:

9:00 A.M.  Statewide ARES Net  3975 KHz LSB
9:30 A.M.  Statewide Digital Net (PSK31)  3583 KHz USB
9:45 A.M.  Metro Atlanta District NET  146.520 simplex
10.00 A.M.  Statewide ARES Net  3975 KHz LSB
10:30 A.M.  Georgia State Net (GSN-CW)  3549 KHz CW *
11:00 A.M.  Georgia ARES Net  3975 KHz LSB
11:30 A.M.  ARES Net Propagation Check  5330.5 KHz USB **
12:00 A.M.  Georgia ARES Net  3975 KHz LSB1:00 P.M.  Georgia Traffic Net  3987.5 KHz LSB

Thank you again for your participation and support of this year's SET.

Thx,
Jim Millsap
DEC-Metro Atlanta

# 1442. [ga_dstar] KI4SBA C and B to be used during SET

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2011-09-30 23:19:34 UTC
From: w4uoc@aol.com
Topic: 1442  Message: 1442

KI4SBA B and C will be used on Saturday between about 8:00am and 4:00pm to support the ARES Simulated Emergency Test. KI4SBA C will be linked to REF030C for voice traffic and KI4SBA B will be linked to REF030B for D-RATS data traffic. Use of these two modules during this time period should be limited to participants in the ARES exercise.

Thank you for your cooperation

# 1443. North Fulton ARES Net, 10/2/2011, 8:30 pm

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2011-10-01 00:25:19 UTC
From: nfares@yahoogroups.com
Topic: 1443  Message: 1443

Reminder from: nfares Yahoo! Group
http://groups.yahoo.com/group/nfares/cal

North Fulton ARES Net
Sunday October 2, 2011
8:30 pm - 9:30 pm
(This event repeats every week.)
Location: 147.060 MHz (plus 600kHz) PL 100.0. Backup is 145.470 MHz (minus 600 kHz) PL 100.0

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# 1444. NFARES 2-meter net, Sunday, October 2, 2011

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2011-10-03 22:16:02 UTC
From: Mike Cohen
Topic: 1444  Message: 1444

We had 15 check-ins on the NFARES 2-meter net, Sunday, October 2, 2011

W4UOC - Tom, Sandy Springs, EC North Fulton, BP

AE4CS – Chuck, Echolink, FL

W4QO – Jim, W. Roswell, BP

N4SBD – Scott, Alpharetta, BP

KG5WU – Wayne, W. Cobb, BP

AA4FA - Dan, Dunwoody, BP

N4SEC - Jim, Alpharetta, BP

N4CUS – John, Roswell

N4BTA - Bret, Mobile Douglasville, BP

WA0QMJ – Jonathan, Alpharetta, BP

W5JR – Mike, Milton

AK4TL – Clyde, N. Fulton, Mobile

AK4EX – Stuart, Sandy Springs

AI4VE – William, Roswell

AD4MC (NCS) – Mike, Sandy Springs, BP

BP = Battery Power

Comments:

W4QO;

Ham Jam will be help on October 22

N4BTA;

W4UOC logged into the GA ARES digital, voice and WinLink nets today.

N4BTA and AD4MC logged into the GA SET net on 60 M.

AK4TL checked into the GA ARES net

Our next NFARES meeting will cover the 2011 NFARES SET and we will also cover Fldigi.

The next scheduled net will be Sunday, October 9th. This net closed at 8:50 PM.

73,

Mike - AD4MC

404-981-8624

# 1445. NFARES Digital 2-meter training net, Sunday, October 2, 2011

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2011-10-03 22:54:22 UTC
From: Mike Cohen
Topic: 1445 Message: 1445

We had 9 check-ins on the NFARES Digital 2-meter training net, Sunday, October 2, 2011, starting at 8:50PM

W4UOC - Tom, Sandy Springs, EC North Fulton, BP

AE4CS – Chuck, Echolink, FL

N4SBD – Scott, Alpharetta, BP

AA4FA - Dan, Dunwoody, BP

N4BTA - Bret, Mobile Douglasville, BP

WA0QMJ – Jonathan, Alpharetta, BP

AK4TL – Clyde, N. Fulton, Mobile

AI4VE – William, Roswell

AD4MC (NCS) – Mike, Sandy Springs, BP

Comments:

We held a voice/digital training net to help us prepare for the 2011 NFARES SET on Sunday, October 16th from 3:00-6:00 PM.

Here is the link to download the latest versions of Fldigi, Flmsg and Flwrap.

*http://www.w1hkj.com/download.html*

If you are using Windows, download and install:
*fldigi-3.21.1<http://www.w1hkj.com/downloads/fldigi/fldigi-3.21.13_setup.exe>
5*, *flmsg-1.1.6<http://www.w1hkj.com/downloads/flmsg/flmsg-1.1.6_setup.exe>
* and *flwrap-1.3.1<http://www.w1hkj.com/downloads/flwrap/flwrap-1.3.1_setup.exe>
*

You may want to also download *Beginners Guide pdf file<http://www.w1hkj.com/downloads/fldigi/fldigi-beginners-3.20.pdf>
* and *Fldigi-Help <http://www.w1hkj.com/FldigiHelp-3.21/index.html>*

Tom, W4UOC also tested several 2M radios that can be used for the SET and left permamntly at Sandy Springs and Johns Creeek Fire Stations

Please join us for future voice/digital training nets on Sundays, immediately following the NFARES net using the 147.06 (+) PL 100 Hz repeater.

This net closed at 9:50 PM.

73,

Mike - AD4MC

404-981-8624

# 1446. North Fulton County ARES Meeting, 10/11/2011, 7:00 pm

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2011-10-04 22:55:22 UTC
From: nfares@yahoogroups.com
Topic: 1446  Message: 1446

Reminder from: nfares Yahoo! Group
http://groups.yahoo.com/group/nfares/cal

North Fulton County ARES Meeting
Tuesday October 11, 2011
7:00 pm - 8:30 pm
(This event repeats every month on the second Tuesday.)
(The next reminder for this event will be sent in 6 days, 4 minutes.)
Location: Sandy Springs City Council Chambers
Street: Morgan Falls Office Park, 7840 Roswell Road Building 500
City State Zip: Sandy Springs, GA 30350

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# 1447. Re: [nfares] North Fulton County ARES Meeting, 10/11/2011, 7:00 pm

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2011-10-05 00:54:02 UTC
From: Mike Cohen
Topic: 1446  Message: 1447

2011 NFARES SET Team,

Next Tuesday will be the last NFARES meeting before our SET on October 16th. I'll be sending you all additional SET information by e-mail this week that may answer or promp questions that we can discuss at the meeting. It will also be a great chance to meet other SET Team members.

Please join us. (See below for time and location information.)

73,
Mike - AD4MC

Mike Cohen
(404) 981-8624

On Tue, Oct 4, 2011 at 6:55 PM, <nfares@yahoogroups.com> wrote:

>
>
> Reminder from: *nfares Yahoo! Group<http://groups.yahoo.com/group/nfares/cal>
> * Title: North Fulton County ARES Meeting Date: Tuesday October
> 11, 2011 Time: 7:00 pm - 8:30 pm Repeats: This event repeats every
> month on the second Tuesday. Next reminder: The next reminder for this
> event will be sent in 6 days, 4 minutes. Location: Sandy Springs City
> Council Chambers Street: Morgan Falls Office Park, 7840 Roswell Road
> Building 500 City State Zip: Sandy Springs, GA 30350 Get reminders on
> your mobile, Yahoo! Messenger, and email.
> Edit reminder options <http://groups.yahoo.com/group/nfares/cal?v=75>
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>
>

# 1448. North Fulton ARES Net, 10/9/2011, 8:30 pm

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2011-10-08 00:25:21 UTC
From: nfares@yahoogroups.com
Topic: 1448  Message: 1448

Reminder from: nfares Yahoo! Group
http://groups.yahoo.com/group/nfares/cal

North Fulton ARES Net
Sunday October 9, 2011
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# 1449. NFARES 2-meter net, Sunday, October 9, 2011

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2011-10-10 01:18:09 UTC
From: Mike Cohen
Topic: 1449  Message: 1449

We had 15 check-ins on the NFARES 2-meter net, Sunday, October 9, 2011

AK4TL – Clyde, Echolink, Highland, NC

K4YJI – Bill, Echolink, Hilton Head, SC

N4SEC - Jim, Alpharetta, BP

AE4CW – Chuck, E. Cobb

KG5WU – Wayne, W. Cobb, BP

N4BTA - Bret, Mobile BP

AA4FA - Dan, Dunwoody, BP

W2FAL – Frank, Sandy Springs, BP (Welcome 1st time on net!)

AK4EX – Stuart, Sandy Springs

W4CJV – Wayne, Alpharetta

K4KRX – Keith, Marietta (Welcome 1st time on net!)

AK4CL – Dave, Alpharetta FS#6 (Great simplex signal into Sandy Springs)

N4MPB – Karen, Johns Creek

W5JR – Mike, Milton

AD4MC (NCS) – Mike, Sandy Springs, BP

BP = Battery Power

Comments:

The next NFARES meeting will be Tuesday, October 12th. This will be the last meeting before our SET. Please join us to review all SET procedures including the structure of the message form and to meet other SET Team members.

We will tentatively have Fldigi training on Wednesday, October 13th at 8:30 PM on 147.06 (+) PL 100Hz.

The next scheduled net will be Sunday, October 16th. This net closed at 8:46 PM.

73,

Mike - AD4MC

404-981-8624

# 1450. North Fulton County ARES Meeting, 10/11/2011, 7:00 pm

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2011-10-10 22:55:36 UTC
From: nfares@yahoogroups.com
Topic: 1446  Message: 1450

Reminder from: nfares Yahoo! Group
http://groups.yahoo.com/group/nfares/cal

North Fulton County ARES Meeting
Tuesday October 11, 2011
7:00 pm - 8:30 pm
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Location: Sandy Springs City Council Chambers
Street: Morgan Falls Office Park, 7840 Roswell Road Building 500
City State Zip: Sandy Springs, GA 30350

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# 1451. NFARES Digital Practice Net 10/12/2011 8:30 pm

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2011-10-13 20:46:38 UTC
From: swilliams2549@charter.net
Topic: 1451  Message: 1451
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# 1452. North Fulton ARES Net, 10/16/2011, 8:30 pm

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2011-10-15 00:25:19 UTC
From: nfares@yahoogroups.com
Topic: 1452  Message: 1452

Reminder from: nfares Yahoo! Group
http://groups.yahoo.com/group/nfares/cal

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Sunday October 16, 2011
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# 1453. ARES NET REPORT 10-16-2011

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2011-10-17 01:15:51 UTC
From: swilliams2549@charter.net
Topic: 1453  Message: 1453
Attachments: 2 described; binary payloads are missing from this source WARC

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# 1454. NFARES 2-meter net, Sunday, October 23, 2011

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2011-10-24 01:23:24 UTC
From: Mike Cohen
Topic: 1454  Message: 1454

We had 12 check-ins on the NFARES 2-meter net, Sunday, October 23, 2011

W4UOC - Tom, EC North Fulton, Sandy Springs

KJVPK – Christian, Roswell, Echolink, BP

K4YJI – Bill, E.Cobb, BP

AE4CW – Chuck, E. Cobb

N4MPB – Karen, Johns Creek

WA0QMJ – Jonathan, Alpharetta

N4CUS – John, Roswell, Portable, BP

AA4FA - Dan, Dunwoody, BP

K4KRX – Keith, Marietta

N4TOL – John, Roswell

N4SEC - Jim, Alpharetta, BP

AD4MC (NCS) – Mike, Sandy Springs, BP

BP = Battery Power

Comments:

W4UOC – Tom;

received ToughBook Laptop to be used at Sandy Spings Fire Stations. Additional units will be made available to us and will be cloned to have the same setup. This unit now has Fldigi/Flwrap/Flmsg loaded and tested for digital messaging.

Checked into GA ARES net on digital and SSB.

The next scheduled net will be Sunday, October 30th. This net closed at 8:43 PM.

73,

Mike - AD4MC

404-981-8624

# 1455. Vintage TV Program on Amateur Radio

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2011-10-24 15:03:13 UTC
From: w4uoc@aol.com
Topic: 1455  Message: 1455

Vintage Radio Television Program. I think you will enjoy this.

Tom Koch - W4UOC

_http://www.southgatearc.org/news/october2011/vintage_film_the_world_of_amateur_radio.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email&utm_campaign=Feed%3A+AmateurRadioNews+%28Southgate+Amateur+Radio+News%29_
(http://www.southgatearc.org/news/october2011/vintage_film_the_world_of_amateur_radio.htm?utm_source=
feedburner&utm_medium=email&utm_campaign=Feed:+AmateurRadioNews+(Southgate+Amateur+Radio+News))

# 1456. North Fulton ARES Net, 10/30/2011, 8:30 pm

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2011-10-29 00:25:18 UTC
From: nfares@yahoogroups.com
Topic: 1456  Message: 1456

Reminder from: nfares Yahoo! Group
http://groups.yahoo.com/group/nfares/cal

North Fulton ARES Net
Sunday October 30, 2011
8:30 pm - 9:30 pm
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# 1457. NFARES 2-meter net, Sunday, October 30, 2011

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2011-10-31 02:05:19 UTC
From: Mike Cohen
Topic: 1457 Message: 1457

We had 14 check-ins on the NFARES 2-meter net, Sunday, October 30, 2011

W4UOC - Tom, EC North Fulton, Sandy Springs

N4CUS – John, Roswell

N4SBD – Scott, Alpharetta, BP

N4SEC - Jim, Alpharetta, BP

KD4NKE – Shelia, Sandy Springs

AK4EX – Stuart, Sandy Springs

K4KRX – Keith, Marietta

KK4EFN – Phil, Johns Creek (1st time checking in to this net. WELCOME !)

W2FAL – Frank, Sandy Springs

AK4TL – Clyde, Dunwoody

AA4FA - Dan, Dunwoody, BP

W4QO – Jim, W. Roswell, BP

N4MPB – Karen, Johns Creek

AD4MC (NCS) – Mike, Sandy Springs, BP

BP = Battery Power

Comments:

W4UOC – Tom;

Chief Scarbrough created a video of the 2011 SET from the 911 Call Cneter
and it will be presented at our next NFARES meeting on Tuesday, November 8th
.

Tom, W4UOC, checked into GA ARES digital net and Clyde, AK4TL checked into
the SSB net.

The next scheduled net will be Sunday, November 6th. This net closed at
8:55 PM.

73,

Mike - AD4MC

404-981-8624

# 1458. Net Control Station for the NFARES Sunday Night Nets

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2011-10-31 02:54:10 UTC
From: Mike Cohen
Topic: 1458  Message: 1458
Attachments: 1 described; binary payloads are missing from this source WARC

NFARES Members,

One of the key training exercises for all ARES members is to practice being the Net Control Station (NCS) for regularly scheduled nets. We have four (sometimes 5) Sunday night Nets each month. We had volunteers scheduled for all of the weeks, but other commitments have prevented some of them from regularly being the NCS. It's time for a new (or existing) group of NFARES members to volunteer to take a regularly scheduled Net. Ideally, we will have enough volunteers (10) so that there would be a primary and alternate NCS for each week. That way, the two could back up each other or alternate each month, meaning that they would be NCS every other month.

Attached is the Script that we have been using. Yes, it can be intimidating the first or second time you are NCS, but it really feels good to know that you can do this important part of being an active ARES member. I would be happy to practice the script (by phone) with anyone who is willing to volunteer.

Please contact me to volunteer or if you have any questions.

Thanks & 73,
Mike - AD4MC

Mike Cohen
(404) 981-8624

# 1459. Re: 2011 NFARES SET ARRL POINTS

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2011-11-01 12:53:42 UTC
From: Tom Koch
Topic: 1459  Message: 1459

Mike Cohen AD4MC
NFARES/NFARL Participants

Thanks for the great report and support document. You have done a great job planning and organizing our NFARL and NFARES group's SET.
The Points/Contest aspect of this event is important but even more important is the perceived value of this type of exercise from the various cities and agencies that we serve. From what I have heard the public service communities recognition of this event has been outstanding.

Thanks also to all who participated in this event, especially those that provided their time and assistance and are new amateurs and their first exposure to working in support of a Public Service activity.

To the older/experienced NFARES members, a special thanks for your continued participation, ideas, suggestions and mentoring activities in support of this activity and the team!

Tom Koch - W4UOC

On 10/31/2011 10:30 PM, Mike Cohen wrote:
> 2011 NFARES SET NCS Team,
>
> Congratulations to All. You had another good year. (Understatement. ;-)
> Attached is the 2011 EC SET Report Form A**report that I will be
> sending to the ARRL unless you have any changes or corrections.
>
> 73,
> Mike - AD4MC
>
> Mike Cohen
> (404) 981-8624

# 1460. North Fulton County ARES Meeting, 11/8/2011, 7:00 pm

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2011-11-01 23:57:15 UTC
From: nfares@yahoogroups.com
Topic: 1460  Message: 1460

Reminder from: nfares Yahoo! Group
http://groups.yahoo.com/group/nfares/cal

North Fulton County ARES Meeting
Tuesday November 8, 2011
7:00 pm - 8:30 pm
(This event repeats every month on the second Tuesday.)
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# 1461. North Fulton ARES Net, 10/23/2011, 8:30 pm

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2011-11-02 05:13:14 UTC
From: nfares@yahoogroups.com
Topic: 1461  Message: 1461

Reminder from: nfares Yahoo! Group
http://groups.yahoo.com/group/nfares/cal

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# 1462. North Fulton ARES Net, 11/6/2011, 8:30 pm

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2011-11-05 01:27:16 UTC
From: nfares@yahoogroups.com
Topic: 1462  Message: 1462

Reminder from: nfares Yahoo! Group
http://groups.yahoo.com/group/nfares/cal

North Fulton ARES Net
Sunday November 6, 2011
8:30 pm - 9:30 pm
(This event repeats every week.)
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# 1463. NFARES 11/06/2011 8:30 pm Net Report

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2011-11-07 02:16:41 UTC
From: swilliams2549@charter.net
Topic: 1463  Message: 1463
Attachments: 2 described; binary payloads are missing from this source WARC

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# 1464. Wouxun Software

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2011-11-07 11:48:41 UTC
From: ak4cl
Topic: 1464  Message: 1464

Several of you have begun to appreciate the economy and flexibility of an open radio, like the Wouxun KG-UVD1P, for family use and/or ARES work. I have discovered new software, written by a native english speaker, you might be interested in and it's free.

See http://www.kc8unj.com/kguv.html

# 1465. North Fulton County ARES Meeting, 11/8/2011, 7:00 pm

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2011-11-07 23:56:56 UTC
From: nfares@yahoogroups.com
Topic: 1460  Message: 1465

Reminder from: nfares Yahoo! Group
http://groups.yahoo.com/group/nfares/cal

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# 1466. Special numbers for tomorrow

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2011-11-10 18:20:41 UTC
From: Mike Cohen
Topic: 1466  Message: 1466

OK, all you fans of special numbers, how 'bout the events that will happen tomorrow...

Twice during the day, it will be 11/11/11 11:11:11, once in the AM and again in the PM.

73,
Mike - AD4MC

Mike Cohen
(404) 981-8624

# 1467. Atlanta Half Marathon

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2011-11-10 15:14:53 UTC
From: Karen
Topic: 1467  Message: 1467

I just volunteered for this. They need two more hams. If interested, please contact David Ziskind, KE4QLH ke4qlh@....

The race is Thanksgiving, early in the morning. Since it's only a half marathon, you'll be done in plenty of time for turkey.

73, Karen, N4MPB

# 1468. North Fulton ARES Net, 11/13/2011, 8:30 pm

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2011-11-12 01:25:56 UTC
From: nfares@yahoogroups.com
Topic: 1468  Message: 1468

Reminder from: nfares Yahoo! Group
http://groups.yahoo.com/group/nfares/cal

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# 1469. Free Carrier Window Heat Pump/Air conditioner

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2011-11-12 20:03:44 UTC
From: w4uoc@aol.com
Topic: 1469  Message: 1469

I have removed a Carrier 220vac window Heat Pump/Air Conditioner. I will give it to the first NFARL/NFARES member that requests it. It is in good running condition.

Tom Koch - W4UOC
404-314-6109
8170 Habersham Waters Road
Sandy Springs, GA

# 1470. For Sale - Kenwood TS-450S

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2011-11-12 20:11:45 UTC
From: w4uoc@aol.com
Topic: 1420  Message: 1470

I am selling my Kenwood TS-450S as it is excess to my needs. It is in excellent cosmetic and working condition. It has a built in antenna tuner and external matching speaker. You are welcome to come to my QTH and try it out if you are interested.
I am asking $500.00 OBO.

Tom Koch - W4UOC
404-314-6109
8170 Habersham Waters Road
Sandy Springs, GA 30350

Kenwood TS-450S

SPECIFICATIONS
Type: Amateur HF transceiver Frequency range: TX: 10-160 m + WARC RX: 0.5-30 MHz Mode: AM/FM/SSB/CW RF Power output: Max 100 W Receiver system: N/A Sensitivity: N/A Selectivity: N/A Image rejection: N/A Voltage: 13.8 VDC Current drain: RX: ? A
TX: Max 20 A Impedance: 50 ohms, SO-239 Dimensions (W*H*D): 270*96*305 mm
Weight: 7.5 Kg

# 1471. NFARES net 11-13-11. AK4TL Clyde.

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2011-11-17 18:38:32 UTC
From: CLYDE MCCLAIN
Topic: 1471  Message: 1471

North Fulton Amateur Radio Emergency Services (NFARES) net. 11-13-2011 Sunday night. 8:30 pm. 147.06 Mhz, Plus+, 100 pl. AK4TL Clyde,Dunwoody, net control.Concluded at 8:52 pm. Various topics discussed including need for more Net Control Operators for the Sunday net, upcoming NFARL mtg. Tues. night, Ga ARES checkins as listed: 1. K4YJI Bill Winlink PSK SSB. 2.W4UOC Tom  PSK SSB., and upgrades to General by WA0QMJ/AG Jonathan and KK4EFN/AG Phil. 17 total checkins including net control as follows.

1. W4UOC Tom EC Sandy Springs battery
2. AD4MC Mike Sandy Springs battery
3. N4SBD Scott Alpharetta battery
4. K4YJI Bill E. Cobb battery
5. AA4FA Dan Dunwoody battery
6. N4MPB Karen Johns Creek battery
7. K0WSB Paul Dunwoody
8. N4SEC Jim Alpharetta battery
9. N4CUS John Roswell
10. AK4EX Stuart Sandy Springs
11. WA0QMJ/AG Jonathan Alpharetta battery
12. K4MLO Marty E. Cobb battery
13. KK4EFN/AG Phil Johns Creek battery
14. AB4HF Jeff Gwinnett, North Team(ARES)
15. N4TOL John Roswell
16. W4QO Jim Echolink relayed also by AD4MC Mike
17. AK4TL Clyde Dunwoody , Net Control, battery

Next net 11-20-2011 8:30 pm

# 1472. North Fulton ARES Net, 11/20/2011, 8:30 pm

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2011-11-19 01:25:48 UTC
From: nfares@yahoogroups.com
Topic: 1472  Message: 1472

Reminder from: nfares Yahoo! Group
http://groups.yahoo.com/group/nfares/cal

North Fulton ARES Net
Sunday November 20, 2011
8:30 pm - 9:30 pm
(This event repeats every week.)
Location: 147.060 MHz (plus 600kHz) PL 100.0. Backup is 145.470 MHz (minus 600 kHz) PL 100.0

Notes:
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# 1473. Sunday, 11/20/2011 ARES Net

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2011-11-21 01:53:35 UTC
From: Scott Dunbar
Topic: 1473  Message: 1473

Tonight we had 13 check-ins, as follows. Happy Thanksgiving to everyone!!
N4SBD

Scott

n

Local

n4sec

Jim

n

Florida / Echolink

k4yji

Bill

n

bp

w4qo

Jim

n

EchoLink

w4uoc

Tom

n

EchoLink

ad4mc

Mike

n

bp

w2fal

Frank

n

bp

kk4efn

Phil

n

bp

ak4ex

Stuart

n

bp

aa4fa

Dan

n

bp

ak4tl

Clyde

n

bp

k4mlo

Marty

n

bp

Cobb County

ke4qfb

Larry

n

bp

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# 1474. North Fulton ARES Net, 11/27/2011, 8:30 pm

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2011-11-26 01:26:07 UTC
From: nfares@yahoogroups.com
Topic: 1474  Message: 1474

Reminder from: nfares Yahoo! Group
http://groups.yahoo.com/group/nfares/cal

North Fulton ARES Net
Sunday November 27, 2011
8:30 pm - 9:30 pm
(This event repeats every week.)
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# 1475. NFARES Annual Holiday Meeting and Gift Exchange

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2011-11-27 19:02:42 UTC
From: w4uoc@aol.com
Topic: 1475  Message: 1475

This is a reminder about the December 13th. NFARES meeting and program. We will be meeting at the Sandy Springs City Council Chambers Training Room, building 500, as usual. The meeting will start at 7:00 p.m. As in the past, several of the group will be having dinner at Tijuana Joe's just north of the city complex starting at 5:30 p.m. We welcome current NFARES members and all other interested amateurs to attend any of our meetings.

After the routine introductions and addressing any pressing business pending for our organization, we will begin our annual holiday gift exchange.

Put some amateur radio or computer related item in a brown paper bag or box, sealed with your amateur radio call marked on the outside and bring it to the meeting. We will pick one person who brought a package to pick from the other packages, Assume they picked a package marked with AD4MC's call then Mike would chose the next package, etc.

As an example in the past the packages have included; a year of QST magazines, a year old call book, a magnetic antenna mount, older but usable test equipment, a telegraph key, etc. Basically, remember what is one man's trash may be other person's treasure! Another example would be the type of things that show up at the NFARL monthly meeting drawings.

Remember, to participate in the NFARES HOLIDAY GIFT EXCHANGE you must bring one!

I am looking forward to see you at the meeting and having some fun as well!

73

Tom Koch - W4UOC
EC - North Fulton ARES

# 1476. NFARES 11/27/2011 8:30 pm Net Report

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2011-11-28 02:14:28 UTC
From: swilliams2549@charter.net
Topic: 1476  Message: 1476
Attachments: 2 described; binary payloads are missing from this source WARC

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# 1477. North Fulton ARES Net, 12/4/2011, 8:30 pm

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2011-12-03 01:25:46 UTC
From: nfares@yahoogroups.com
Topic: 1477  Message: 1477

Reminder from: nfares Yahoo! Group
http://groups.yahoo.com/group/nfares/cal

North Fulton ARES Net
Sunday December 4, 2011
8:30 pm - 9:30 pm
(This event repeats every week.)
Location: 147.060 MHz (plus 600kHz) PL 100.0. Backup is 145.470 MHz (minus 600 kHz) PL 100.0

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# 1478. NFARES 2-meter net, Sunday, December 4, 2011

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2011-12-05 02:01:14 UTC
From: MikeC
Topic: 1478  Message: 1478

We had 10 check-ins on the NFARES 2-meter net, Sunday, December 4, 2011
W4UOC - Tom, EC North Fulton, Sandy Springs
N4SEC - Jim, Alpharetta, BP
KG5WU ☐ Wayne, S. Cobb BP
KK4EFG ☐ Andy, Kennesaw, BP
N4SBD ☐ Scott, Alpharetta, BP
W2FAL ☐ Frank, Sandy Springs, BP
AA4FA - Dan, Dunwoody, BP
KK4EFN ☐ Phil, Johns Creek, BP
AK4EX ☐ Stuart, Sandy Springs
AD4MC (NCS) ☐ Mike, Sandy Springs, BP

BP = Battery Power

Comments:
W4UOC ☐ Tom;
The next NFARES meeting will be Tuesday, December 13th. We will have our Holiday Gift Exchange. If you bring a ham related gift (new or used from your "junk box"), you can take home another gift. If you buy a new gift, the price should be under ten bucks. If you bring something from your junkbox, it is most likely priceless.

Checked into GA ARES digital and USB nets.

The next scheduled net will be Sunday, December 11th. This net closed at 8:41 PM.

73,
Mike - AD4MC
404-981-8624

# 1479. North Fulton County ARES Meeting, 12/13/2011, 7:00 pm

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2011-12-06 23:58:23 UTC
From: nfares@yahoogroups.com
Topic: 1479  Message: 1479

Reminder from: nfares Yahoo! Group
http://groups.yahoo.com/group/nfares/cal

North Fulton County ARES Meeting
Tuesday December 13, 2011
7:00 pm - 8:30 pm
(This event repeats every month on the second Tuesday.)
(The next reminder for this event will be sent in 6 days, 1 minute.)
Location: Sandy Springs City Council Chambers
Street: Morgan Falls Office Park, 7840 Roswell Road Building 500
City State Zip: Sandy Springs, GA 30350

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# 1480. North Fulton ARES Net, 12/11/2011, 8:30 pm

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2011-12-10 01:25:52 UTC
From: nfares@yahoogroups.com
Topic: 1480  Message: 1480

Reminder from: nfares Yahoo! Group
http://groups.yahoo.com/group/nfares/cal

North Fulton ARES Net
Sunday December 11, 2011
8:30 pm - 9:30 pm
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# 1481. North Fulton County ARES Meeting, 12/13/2011, 7:00 pm

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2011-12-12 23:58:05 UTC
From: nfares@yahoogroups.com
Topic: 1479  Message: 1481

Reminder from: nfares Yahoo! Group
http://groups.yahoo.com/group/nfares/cal

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# 1482. Tonights North Fulton ARES Holiday Meeting - Confirmed

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2011-12-13 15:14:32 UTC
From: w4uoc@aol.com
Topic: 1482  Message: 1482

This is a reminder about the December 13th. NFARES meeting and program.

We will be meeting at the Sandy Springs City Council Chambers Training Room, building 500, as usual. The meeting will start at 7:00 p.m. As in the past, several of the group will be having dinner at Tijuana Joe's just north of the city complex starting at 5:30 p.m. We welcome current NFARES members and all other interested amateurs to attend any of our meetings.

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73

Tom Koch - W4UOC
EC - North Fulton ARES

# 1483. North Fulton ARES Net, 12/18/2011, 8:30 pm

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2011-12-17 01:25:53 UTC
From: nfares@yahoogroups.com
Topic: 1483  Message: 1483

Reminder from: nfares Yahoo! Group
http://groups.yahoo.com/group/nfares/cal

North Fulton ARES Net
Sunday December 18, 2011
8:30 pm - 9:30 pm
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# 1484. Battery Charger

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2011-12-18 01:13:20 UTC
From: Mike Lozano
Topic: 1484  Message: 1484

Hello everyone,

True Value Hardware (TVH) stores are now carrying some limited Sears products.

One item of noted importance to the Ham Radio Community, is the 12V/6V DieHard Battery Charger (TVH Item Number: H 132 464 2).

First off....it is on sale for half off .... Reg price $49.99 on sale for $24.99

Second.... It is really a Smart Charger - it is "Microprocessor Controlled" and "Fully Automatic." It has 6/4/2 amp charge modes. The 2 Amp (float) charge and is ideal for charging batteries overnight and/or maintaining a charge on any 12/6 volt batteries. As stated above, once a buttery is charged....it goes into the 2 Amp/Float mode until you disconnect the battery from the charger.

I bought one of these last year and it is the best charger I ever bought. I just checked and it looks like Sear isn't carrying the unit anymore....I can't find it on the website, but that isn't all inclusive. It seems like Good products don't hang around too long.

I also know that KMart usually carries it and now True Value Hardware. At the price of $24.99 it is a "True Value" item for any Ham Operator.

The only issues....it may not fit into a Standard Christmas Stocking, but it can surely be wrapped and will fit under a Christmas Tree or as a gift, no matter of you holiday affiliation(s).

Mike
KF4UPO

Personally sent from my iPad!

# 1485. NFARES 12/18/2011 8:30 pm Net Report

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2011-12-19 02:25:47 UTC
From: swilliams2549@charter.net
Topic: 1485  Message: 1485
Attachments: 2 described; binary payloads are missing from this source WARC

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# 1486. net report for sunday 12/11 please?

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2011-12-19 03:12:30 UTC
From: Wayne Chapman
Topic: 1486  Message: 1486

I'm missing the net report for Sunday December 11.  Please post it here if you have it.
Thanks.

# 1487. December 11,2011 NFARES net report.

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2011-12-19 19:49:11 UTC
From: CLYDE MCCLAIN
Topic: 1487  Message: 1487

12-11-2011 NFARL net report. 2030 Hrs to 2046 Hrs.
 1.AK4EX Stuart Sandy Springs.
 2. AD4MC Mike Sandy Springs, traffic, battery.
 3. N4SEC Jim Alpharetta, battery.
 4. K4YJI Bill East Cobb, traffic, battery.
 5. K4KRX Keith East Cobb, battery.
 6. N4SBD Scott Alpharetta, battery.
 7. AA4FA Dan Dunwoody, battery.
 8. KD4KHO Randy mobile Cherokee Co., ADEC Metro.
 9. N4TOL John Roswell, battery.
10.N1ABM Jim Woodstock, AEC Cherokee Co., commercial power.
11.AK4TL Clyde Dunwoody, net control.

    Traffic
 1. AD4MC Mike, Tues. meeting and program
 2. K4YJI Bill, GA ARES checkin to Winlink, PSK, SSB voice.

 73 Clyde AK4TL.

# 1488. For Sale - Complete IC-718 station

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2011-12-19 20:47:41 UTC
From: w4uoc@aol.com
Topic: 1488  Message: 1488

For Sale - Icom 718, matching power supply and LDG Z-100 automatic antenna tuner with original boxes and manuals. $650.00

Tom Koch - W4UOC
8170 Habersham Waters Road
Sandy Springs, GA 30350
404-314-6109

Icom IC-718

SPECIFICATIONS
Type: Amateur HF transceiver Frequency range: TX: 10-160 m + WARC RX: 0.030-30 MHz Mode: AM/SSB/CW RF Power output: AM: 2-40 W SSB/CW: 5-100 W Voltage: 13.8 VDC Current drain: RX: Max 2 A TX: Max 20 A Impedance: 50 ohms, SO-239 Dimensions (W*H*D): 240*95*239 mm Weight: 3.8 Kg Manufactured: Japan, 2000-200x 101 memories. DSP (UT-106) and speech synthesizer (UT-102) options
Related documents: _User manual_ (http://www.rigpix.com/icom/ic718_manual.pdf) (3.9 MB)

# 1489. Tornado Warning - Fulton County and Surrounding Areas 12-22-2011

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2011-12-22 21:06:01 UTC
From: w4uoc@aol.com
Topic: 1489  Message: 1489

A Tornado Warning has been issued until 11:00 p.m. EST for Fulton and surrounding counties.

I am asking that all NFARES members monitor the NFARES repeater 147.06 +600 100Hz during while the warning is in effect. If we loose that repeater we will switch to 146.49 simplex as a backup freq. I will go to the Chat Comm 911/ Sandy Springs EOC as NCS if the repeater fails and thus be able to communicate on that simplex frequency.

Tom Koch - EC North Fulton Amateur Radio Emergency Service

# 1490. TORNADO WATCH

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2011-12-22 21:15:22 UTC
From: w4uoc@aol.com
Topic: 1490  Message: 1490

THE NATIONAL WEATHER SERVICE HAS ISSUED TORNADO WATCH 900 IN
EFFECT UNTIL 11 PM EST THIS EVENING FOR THE FOLLOWING A REAS

IN GEORGIA THIS WATCH INCLUDES 77 COUNTIES

IN CENTRAL GEORGIA

BALDWIN BIBB BUTTS
CRAWFORD HOUSTON JASPER
JONES MONROE PEACH
PUTNAM TWIGGS &nb sp; WILKINSON

IN EAST CENTRAL GEORGIA

GREENE HANCOCK TALIAFERRO
WILKES

IN NORTH CENTRAL GEORGIA

BARROW CHEROKEE CLAYTON
COBB DAWSON DEKALB
DOUGLAS FANNIN &n bsp; FAYETTE
FORSYTH FULTON GILMER
GWINNETT HALL HENRY
LUMPKIN MORGAN NEWTON
PICKENS ROCKDALE UNION
WALTON

IN NORTHEAST GEORGIA

BANKS CLARKE JACKSON
MADISON OCONEE OGLETHORPE
TOWNS WHITE

IN NORTHWEST GEORGIA

BARTOW CARROLL CATOOSA
CHATTOOGA DADE &nb sp; FLOYD
GORDON HARALSON MURRAY
PAULDING POLK WALKER
WHITFIELD

IN WEST CENTRAL GEORGIA

CHATTAHOOCHEE COWETA HARRIS
HEARD LAMAR MACON
MARION MERIWETHER MUSCOGEE
PIKE SCHLEY SPALDING

STEWART TALBOT TAYLOR
TROUP UPSON WEBSTER

THIS INCLUDES THE CITIES OF...ATLANTA...BARNESVILLE...
BLAIRSVILLE...BREMEN...BUENA VISTA...BUTLER...CALHOUN...
CARROLLTON...CARTERSVILLE...CEDARTOWN...CHATSWORTH...CLEVELAND...
COLUMBUS...COMER...COMMERCE...CONYERS...COVINGTON...CRAWFORD...
CRAWFORDVILLE...CUMMING...DAHLONEGA...DALLAS...DALTON...
DAWSONVILLE...DECATUR...DOUGLASVILLE...EATONTON...ELLAVILLE...
ELLIJAY...FORSYTH...FORT BENNING...FORT OGLETHORPE...
FORT VALLEY...FRANKLIN...GAINESVILLE...GRAY...GREENSBORO...
GRIFFIN...HIAWASSEE...HOMER...JACKSON...JASPER...JEFFERSONVILLE...
LAWRENCEVILLE...MACON...MADISON...MANCHESTER...MARIETTA...
MILLEDGEVILLE...MONROE...MONTEZUMA...MONTICELLO...NEWNAN...
PEACHTREE CITY...PINE MOUNTAIN...PRESTON...RICHLAND...RIVERDALE...
ROBERTA...ROME...SPARTA...STOCKBRIDGE...SUMMERVILLE...TALBOTTON...
THOMASTON...THOMASTON...TOOMSBORO...TRENTON ...WARNER ROBINS...
WASHINGTON...WATKINSVILLE...WEST POINT...WINDER...WINTERVILLE...
WOODSTOCK AND ZEBULON.

# 1491. Tornado Watch - Correction

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2011-12-22 21:17:59 UTC
From: w4uoc@aol.com
Topic: 1491  Message: 1491

A Tornado Watch has been issued until 11:00 p.m. EST for Fulton and surrounding counties.

I am asking that all NFARES members monitor the NFARES repeater 147.06 +600 100Hz during while the warning is in effect. If we loose that repeater we will switch to 146.49 simplex as a backup freq. I will go to the Chat Comm 911/ Sandy Springs EOC as NCS if the repeater fails and thus be able to communicate on that simplex frequency.

Tom Koch - EC North Fulton Amateur Radio Emergency Service

# 1492. North Fulton ARES Net, 12/25/2011, 8:30 pm

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2011-12-24 01:25:50 UTC
From: nfares@yahoogroups.com
Topic: 1492  Message: 1492

Reminder from: nfares Yahoo! Group
http://groups.yahoo.com/group/nfares/cal

North Fulton ARES Net
Sunday December 25, 2011
8:30 pm - 9:30 pm
(This event repeats every week.)
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# 1493. Re: [nfares] North Fulton ARES Net, 12/25/2011, 8:30 pm

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2011-12-25 16:55:13 UTC
From: Mike Cohen
Topic: 1492  Message: 1493

Because both this Christmas and New Year's Day are on Sundays, we will not be having our Sunday night NFARES nets for these two weeks (unless there is an emergency) so that you can spend more time with family and friends. We will resume on Sunday, January 8th.

Merry Christmas and Happy New Year to All.

73,
Mike - AD4MC

Mike Cohen
(404) 981-8624

On Fri, Dec 23, 2011 at 8:25 PM, <nfares@yahoogroups.com> wrote:

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>
> Reminder from: *nfares Yahoo! Group<http://groups.yahoo.com/group/nfares/cal>
> * Title: North Fulton ARES Net Date: Sunday December 25, 2011
> Time: 8:30 pm - 9:30 pm Repeats: This event repeats every week.
> Location: 147.060 MHz (plus 600kHz) PL 100.0. Backup is 145.470 MHz
> (minus 600 kHz) PL 100.0 Notes: Please remember that both repeaters now
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# 1494. North Fulton ARES Net, 1/1/2012, 8:30 pm

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2011-12-31 01:25:46 UTC
From: nfares@yahoogroups.com
Topic: 1494  Message: 1494

Reminder from: nfares Yahoo! Group
http://groups.yahoo.com/group/nfares/cal

North Fulton ARES Net
Sunday January 1, 2012
8:30 pm - 9:30 pm
(This event repeats every week.)
Location: 147.060 MHz (plus 600kHz) PL 100.0. Backup is 145.470 MHz (minus 600 kHz) PL 100.0

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# 1495. Re: [nfares] North Fulton ARES Net, 1/1/2012, 8:30 pm

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2011-12-31 22:30:05 UTC
From: Mike Cohen
Topic: 1494  Message: 1495

Because New Year's Day is on Sunday, we will not be having our Sunday night NFARES net for this week (unless there is an emergency) so that you can spend more time with family and friends. We will resume on Sunday, January 8th.

Happy New Year to All.

73,
Mike - AD4MC

Mike Cohen
(404) 981-8624

On Fri, Dec 30, 2011 at 8:25 PM, <nfares@yahoogroups.com> wrote:

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> Reminder from: *nfares Yahoo! Group<http://groups.yahoo.com/group/nfares/cal>
> * Title: North Fulton ARES Net Date: Sunday January 1, 2012 Time:
> 8:30 pm - 9:30 pm Repeats: This event repeats every week. Location: 147.060
> MHz (plus 600kHz) PL 100.0. Backup is 145.470 MHz (minus 600 kHz) PL 100.0
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# 1496. North Fulton County ARES Meeting, 1/10/2012, 7:00 pm

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2012-01-03 23:58:28 UTC
From: nfares@yahoogroups.com
Topic: 1496  Message: 1496

Reminder from: nfares Yahoo! Group
http://groups.yahoo.com/group/nfares/cal

North Fulton County ARES Meeting
Tuesday January 10, 2012
7:00 pm - 8:30 pm
(This event repeats every month on the second Tuesday.)
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Street: Morgan Falls Office Park, 7840 Roswell Road Building 500
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# 1497. North Fulton ARES Net, 1/8/2012, 8:30 pm

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2012-01-07 01:25:48 UTC
From: nfares@yahoogroups.com
Topic: 1497  Message: 1497

Reminder from: nfares Yahoo! Group
http://groups.yahoo.com/group/nfares/cal

North Fulton ARES Net
Sunday January 8, 2012
8:30 pm - 9:30 pm
(This event repeats every week.)
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# 1498. Fwd: [NBEMSham] Digest Number 797

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2012-01-08 19:45:03 UTC
From: Mike Cohen
Topic: 1498  Message: 1498

For those of you who like to play with Fldigi and Flmsg, here's a useful
YouTube video.

73,
Mike - AD4MC

Mike Cohen
(404) 981-8624

---------- Forwarded message ----------
From: <NBEMSham@yahoogroups.com>
Date: Sat, Jan 7, 2012 at 11:05 AM
Subject: [NBEMSham] Digest Number 797
To: NBEMSham@yahoogroups.com

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new NBEMS/FLMSG video

Hello all,

Here's a new video we just posted. It covers setup and operation of FLDIGI
and
FLMSG:

http://youtu.**be/LZ3OXL8hrgQ <http://youtu.be/LZ3OXL8hrgQ>

-Dave, KB3FXI
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# 1499. North Fulton ARES Meeting January 10, 2012

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2012-01-09 01:26:07 UTC
From: w4uoc@aol.com
Topic: 1499  Message: 1499

Location: Sandy Springs City Council Chambers Street: Morgan Falls Office Park, 7840 Roswell Road Building 500 City State Zip: Sandy Springs, GA 30350

This is a reminder of the January 10th North Fulton Amateur Radio Emergency Service Meeting scheduled for 7:00 p.m. at the City Council Chambers Training Room. Those interested in dinner before the meeting usually get together at Tijuana Joe's just north of the Sandy Springs City Office complex on Roswell Road at 5:30 p.m.

The Program for the January 10th NFARES meeting will be presented by Roger AA2HT and Keith K4KRX

The title is "Radio Reachability Study" for "ARES 2011 Roswell". We be looking at the results of our reachability survey of all Roswell City Fire Stations (all 7), EOC, and NF Hospital. We estimated the results using topo maps first to see if propagation difficulties could be predicted. The results show both the power needed (on 2 meters) to reach each station by simplex and if any locations require the use of a repeater. We'll be presenting what we did, what we predicted, and the results we obtained.

The business portion of this meeting will be to discuss volunteer assignments to act as NFARES Assistant Emergency Coordinators for the five cities in North Fulton County. Some of these volunteer positions have been established but we need to formalize others.

Sandy Springs - Mike Cohen AD4MC
Alpharetta - Jim Paine N4SEC
Milton - Open
Johns Creek - John Kludt K4SQC
Roswell - Open
Dunwoody - Open

I am looking forward to seeing you at our next meeting.

73

Tom Koch - W4UOC
EC - NFARES

# 1500. NORTH FULTON ARES Net Jan 10, 2012 NET REPORT

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2012-01-09 02:38:42 UTC
From: w4uoc@aol.com
Topic: 1500  Message: 1500

NFARES Net Jan 10, 2012 8:30 - 8:47 pm.

NFARES Repeater 147.06 +600 100Hz

W4UOC - TOM NCS BP - SANDY SPRINGS
N4SEC - JIM (ECHOLINK) - APLPHARETTA
AK4TL - CLYDE BP - DUNWOODY
N4CUS - JOHN - ROSWELL
N4SBD - SCOTT BP - MILTON
KI4DSO - GEORGE Mobile NORCROSS
AK4EX - STUART - SANDY SPRINGS
AA4FA - DAN BP - DUNWOODY
KK4EFN - PHIL BP - JOHNS CREEK
K0WSB - PAUL - DUNWOODY
KK4DKH - LANCE - ALPHARETTA
WW4MO - MARTY - ROSWELL

Net closed at 8:47pm EST
BP - BATTERY OR EMERGENCY POWER

# 1501. FOR SALE: Icom IC-92AD HT with accessories (D-STAR w/GPS)

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2012-01-08 22:33:22 UTC
From: w4cch
Topic: 1501  Message: 1501

Hello all,

I have an IC-92AD HT for sale. It Icom's currently produced dual-band D-STAR HT. Details on Icom's website are at http://goo.gl/AYlZD. A QST review is at http://goo.gl/zjTGH.

I've had the radio itself about 14 months and used it as my secondary HT. Close inspection shows only very minor cosmetic wear. The radio has _not_ been modified for off-amateur band usage.

Included are:
1. IC-92AD HT radio with original box, belt clip, Li-ion battery and wall charger.
2. A second Li-ion battery (model BP-256)
3. The desktop charger (model BC-177)
4. The Remote Control/Programming Software (model RS-92) - This includes the software CD, the cable and USB-to-serial adapter.
5. The GPS microphone (model HM-175GPS). This is the waterproof speaker-microphone with built-in GPS receiver. It is what's needed to enable DPRS. I haven't used it on DPRS, but have used the GPS functionality for positioning.
6. The Nifty Manual

Retail new is about $820 to $970 according to if you caught the Christmas sales or not.

I am asking $575 firm. I'd prefer to keep things local and not put anything in the mail. I'm located in Woodstock fairly close to Sweat Mountain.

Please reply off-list.

Thanks. Chris
W4CCH

# 1502. North Fulton County ARES Meeting, 1/10/2012, 7:00 pm

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2012-01-09 23:59:22 UTC
From: nfares@yahoogroups.com
Topic: 1496  Message: 1502

Reminder from: nfares Yahoo! Group
http://groups.yahoo.com/group/nfares/cal

North Fulton County ARES Meeting
Tuesday January 10, 2012
7:00 pm - 8:30 pm
(This event repeats every month on the second Tuesday.)
Location: Sandy Springs City Council Chambers
Street: Morgan Falls Office Park, 7840 Roswell Road Building 500
City State Zip: Sandy Springs, GA 30350

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# 1503. Amateur radio operators club is more than just fun!

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2012-01-11 22:29:52 UTC
From: w4uoc@aol.com
Topic: 1503  Message: 1503

Hello,

Tom, W4UOC has forwarded you the following story on Neighbor Newspapers:

Amateur radio operators club is more than just fun!

_http://sandysprings-neighbor.com/detail.html?sub_id=179767_
(http://sandysprings-neighbor.com/detail.html?sub_id=179767)

To view this story, click the above link (or, if it does not appear as a
link, cut and paste into your browser).

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http://sandysprings-neighbor.com

# 1504. North Fulton ARES Net, 1/15/2012, 8:30 pm

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2012-01-14 01:25:55 UTC
From: nfares@yahoogroups.com
Topic: 1504  Message: 1504

Reminder from: nfares Yahoo! Group
http://groups.yahoo.com/group/nfares/cal

North Fulton ARES Net
Sunday January 15, 2012
8:30 pm - 9:30 pm
(This event repeats every week.)
Location: 147.060 MHz (plus 600kHz) PL 100.0. Backup is 145.470 MHz (minus 600 kHz) PL 100.0

Notes:
Please remember that both repeaters now require a PL tone of 100.0 Hz

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# 1505. Sandy Springs CERT Drill 4/21/2012

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2012-01-16 02:24:03 UTC
From: Bret Arnold
Topic: 1505  Message: 1505

Sandy Springs is hosting a CERT Drill on April 21. I wanted to check for volunteers before I offered our support for this drill, and would like to discuss it at our next two meetings.

Scott Dunbar and I have both served as ICS Communications Officer for these drills in the past. Hopefully someone else would like to have a turn. The volunteer will need to be a CERT member and have completed the ICS / NIMS courses.

There is also an oppurtinity to set up a portable station at the drill site, and provide direct communications with the 911/EOCs and Northside Hospital, if we can staff these locations.

I will contact Gary Robinson, Alpharetta CERT Director, and let him know that we are interested in providing support for this drill. Chief Jeff Scarborough, KK4ATX, will be heavily involved in this drill. Shelia may also already have more information on this drill.
Thanks,
Bret

# 1506. Re: [nfares] Sandy Springs CERT Drill 4/21/2012

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2012-01-16 02:33:25 UTC
From: Mike Cohen
Topic: 1505  Message: 1506

Bret,

Thanks for sending along the info. Now that I am a CERT member and have already passed the FEMA courses, I would be very interested in taking part in this exercise, especially since it is for Sandy Springs. Please let me know what to do next. So... anyone one else who is interested, let's work on this together.

73,
Mike - AD4MC

Mike Cohen
(404) 981-8624

On Sun, Jan 15, 2012 at 9:24 PM, Bret Arnold <n4bta@...> wrote:

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> volunteers before I offered our support for this drill, and would like to
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> Scarborough, KK4ATX, will be heavily involved in this drill. Shelia may
> also already have more information on this drill.
> Thanks,
> Bret
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# 1507. NFARES Net Control Station - Operators

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2012-01-16 22:18:11 UTC
From: w4uoc@aol.com
Topic: 1507  Message: 1507

This is just a friendly reminder that if you are the NCS for the NFARES net
it is important that you send the net log to the reflector
_nfares@yahoogroups.com_ (mailto:nfares@yahoogroups.com) and to _k4gk@..._ (mail
to:k4gk@...) immediately following the net closure.

The net report should include the following:
Name of the ARES group (NFARES)
Date and time of the net opening and closing
Frequency of the net (147.06 + 100 Hz)
Roster of the participants
Net business, announcements and comments.

Sending the net roster to the reflector allows Bret N4BTA and Wayne KG5WU
to submit the details to the GAARES data base and provide net credit for
you check in.

We will add these important email addresses to a new NFARES net script.

73

Tom Koch - W4UOC
EC - North Fulton ARES

# 1508. NFARES 1-15-12 net report

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2012-01-16 23:41:40 UTC
From: CLYDE MCCLAIN
Topic: 1508  Message: 1508

2030 HRS to 2050 HRS. Sunday Jan 15th 2012. 147.060 repeater.
1. KD9RU Dave Aiken SC Echolink
2. N4SEC Jim Alpharetta
3.N4SBD Scott Alpharetta battery
4. N4CUS John Roswell
5. AD4MC Mike Sandy Springs battery
6. AE4CW Chuck E Cobb
7. KI4DSO George Norcross
8. AA4FA Dan Dunwoody battery
9. AK4EX Stuart Sandy Springs
10. W4QO Jim W Roswell battery
11. N4BTA Bret Alpharetta traffic
12. AK4TL Clyde Dunwoody Net Control

Discussion on Sandy Springs CERT 4-21-12 volunteers needed, Sandy Springs Firefighters dinner auction, NFARL mtg. on 1-17-12, Skype use during nets.

# 1509. For Sale - GPS Receiver with software and accessories - $45

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2011-12-07 19:01:44 UTC
From: wb2hmg
Topic: 1509  Message: 1509

FOR SALE

I have a very small (thumb drive size) Bluetooth GPS receiver that works great. I have been using it with Google Maps (download for free) on my BlackBerry. I got a different BlackBerry that has the GPS built in , so I do not need this one.

It includes a car charger or it can be charged from a USB port with the included USB data cable.

It has the Tools CD, Quick Guide and the original box.

Frank, W2FAL

# 1510. Fwd: Official Q Codes and Phonetic Alphabet: 2 Reference Lists to Post in Your SHACK - FOUO! With historic evolution!

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2011-12-18 01:18:08 UTC
From: Mike Lozano
Topic: 1510  Message: 1510

Subject: Official Q Codes and Phonetic Alphabet: 2 Reference Lists to Post in Your SHACK - FOUO

Q codes applicable for use in amateur radio
> Code Question Answer or Statement
> QRA What is the name (or call sign) of your station? The name (or call sign) of my station is ...
> QRG Will you tell me my exact frequency (or that of ...)? Your exact frequency (or that of ... ) is ... kHz (or MHz).
> QRH Does my frequency vary? Your frequency varies.
> QRI How is the tone of my transmission? The tone of your transmission is (1. Good; 2. Variable; 3. Bad)
> QRJ How many voice contacts do you want to make? I want to make ... voice contacts.
> QRK What is the readability of my signals (or those of ...)? The readability of your signals (or those of ...) is ... (1 to 5).
> QRL Are you busy? I am busy. (or I am busy with ... ) Please do not interfere.
> QRM Do you have interference? I have interference.
> QRN Are you troubled by static? I am troubled by static.
> QRO Shall I increase power? Increase power.
> QRP Shall I decrease power? Decrease power.
> QRQ Shall I send faster? Send faster (... wpm)
> QRS Shall I send more slowly? Send more slowly (... wpm)
> QRT Shall I stop sending? Stop sending.
> QRU Have you anything for me? I have nothing for you.
> QRV Are you ready? I am ready.
> QRW Shall I inform ... that you are calling him on ... kHz (or MHz)? Please inform ... that I am calling him on ... kHz (or MHz).
> QRX When will you call me again? I will call you again at ... (hours) on ... kHz (or MHz)
> QRZ Who is calling me? You are being called by ... on ... kHz (or MHz)
> QSA What is the strength of my signals (or those of ... )? The strength of your signals (or those of ...) is ... (1 to 5).
> QSB Are my signals fading? Your signals are fading.
> QSD Is my keying defective? Your keying is defective.
> QSG Shall I send ... telegrams (messages) at a time? Send ... telegrams (messages) at a time.
> QSK Can you hear me between your signals? I can hear you between my signals.
> QSL Can you acknowledge receipt? I am acknowledging receipt.
> QSM Shall I repeat the last telegram (message) which I sent you, or some previous telegram (message)? Repeat the last telegram (message) which you sent me (or telegram(s) (message(s)) numbers(s) ...).
> QSN Did you hear me (or ... (call sign)) on .. kHz (or MHz)? I did hear you (or ... (call sign)) on ... kHz (or MHz).
> QSO Can you communicate with ... direct or by relay? I can communicate with ... direct (or by relay through ...).

> QSP Will you relay a message to ...? I will relay a message to ... .
> QSR Do you want me to repeat my call? Please repeat your call; I did not hear you.
> QSS What working frequency will you use? I will use the working frequency ... kHz (or MHz).
> QST - Here is a broadcast message to all amateurs.
> QSU Shall I send or reply on this frequency (or on ... kHz (or MHz))? Send or reply on this frequency (or on ... kHz (or MHz)).
> QSW Will you send on this frequency (or on ... kHz (or MHz))? I am going to send on this frequency (or on ... kHz (or MHz)).
> QSX Will you listen to ... (call sign(s) on ... kHz (or MHz))? I am listening to ... (call sign(s) on ... kHz (or MHz))
> QSY Shall I change to transmission on another frequency? Change to transmission on another frequency (or on ... kHz (or MHz)).
> QSZ Shall I send each word or group more than once? Send each word or group twice (or ... times).
> QTA Shall I cancel telegram (message) No. ... as if it had not been sent? Cancel telegram (message) No. ... as if it had not been sent.
> QTC How many telegrams (messages) have you to send? I have ... telegrams (messages) for you (or for ...).
> QTH What is your position in latitude and longitude (or according to any other indication)? My position is ... latitude...longitude
> QTR What is the correct time? The correct time is ... hours
> QTU At what times are you operating? I am operating from ... to ... hours.
> QTX Will you keep your station open for further communication with me until further notice (or until ... hours)? I will keep my station open for further communication with you until further notice (or until ... hours).
> QUA Have you news of ... (call sign)? Here is news of ... (call sign).
> QUC What is the number (or other indication) of the last message you received from me (or from ... (call sign))? The number (or other indication) of the last message I received from you (or from ... (call sign)) is ...
> QUD Have you received the urgency signal sent by ... (call sign of mobile station)? I have received the urgency signal sent by ... (call sign of mobile station) at ... hours.
> QUE Can you speak in ... (language), - with interpreter if necessary; if so, on what frequencies? I can speak in ... (language) on ... kHz (or MHz).
> QUF Have you received the distress signal sent by ... (call sign of mobile station)? I have received the distress signal sent by ... (call sign of mobile station) at ... hours.
> Some of the common usages vary somewhat from their formal, official sense. QRL? is the accepted form of the question, "Is this frequency in use (or busy)?", the reply to which is typically the letters "C" (dah di dah dit), "R" (di dah dit) or "Y" (dah di dah dah) which, in the Amateur radio tradition, are the Morse code shorthand for "Confirm", "Roger" or "Yes." There are also a few unofficial and humorous codes in use, such as QLF ("try sending with your LEFT foot") and QSC ("send cigarettes", not the official meaning of "this is a cargo vessel"). In the question form, QNB?, is supposed to mean "How many buttons does your radio have?" A reply of the form QNB 45/15 means "45, and I know what 15 of them do." QSJ is sometimes used to refer to the cost of something - "I would like an FT9000 but it is too much QSJ". (QSJ actually means "What is the charge to be collected to ... including your internal charge?").
>
>
> Phonetic Alphabet and Signal Flags

>
> A phonetic alphabet is a list of words used to identify letters in a message transmitted by radio or telephone. Spoken words from an approved list are substituted for letters. For example, the word "Navy" would be "November Alfa Victor Yankee" when spelled in the phonetic alphabet. This practice helps to prevent confusion between similar sounding letters, such as "m" and "n", and to clarify communications that may be garbled during transmission.
>
> An early version of the phonetic alphabet appears in the 1913 edition of The Bluejackets' Manual. Found in the Signals section, it was paired with the Alphabetical Code Flags defined in the International Code. Both the meanings of the flags (the letter which they represent) and their names (which make up the phonetic alphabet) were selected by international agreement. Later editions included the Morse code signal as well.
>
> Flags with special meanings in Navy signaling were given extra names. These five flags are called governing flags. They convey specific information about how to interpret a signal based on their position among the other flags raised. The governing flags are called Afirm (Affirmative), Int (Interrogatory), Negat (Negative), Option (Optional), Prep (Preparatory). The Navy often substituted these special names for the standard word listed in the phonetic alphabet. During World War II, when it was necessary for the Navy to communicate with the Army or Allied forces, signalmen were directed to use the standard words, given in parentheses.
>
> The words chosen to represent some letters have changed since the phonetic alphabet was introduced. When these changes occur, they are made by international agreement. The current phonetic alphabet was adopted in 1957.
>
> Letter 1913 1927 1938 World War II 1957-Present Signal Flag
> A Able Affirmative Afirm Afirm (Able) Alfa
> B Boy Baker Baker Baker Bravo
> C Cast Cast Cast Charlie Charlie
> D Dog Dog Dog Dog Delta
> E Easy Easy Easy Easy Echo
> F Fox Fox Fox Fox Foxtrot
> G George George George George Golf
> H Have Hypo Hypo How Hotel
> I Item Interrogatory Int Int (Item) India
> J Jig Jig Jig Jig Juliett
> K King King King King Kilo
> L Love Love Love Love Lima
> M Mike Mike Mike Mike Mike
> N Nan Negative Negat Negat (Nan) November
> O Oboe Option Option Option (Oboe) Oscar
> P Pup Preparatory Prep Prep (Peter) Papa
> Q Quack Quack Queen Queen Quebec
> R Rush Roger Roger Roger Romeo
> S Sail Sail Sail Sugar Sierra
> T Tare Tare Tare Tare Tango
> U Unit Unit Unit Uncle Uniform
> V Vice Vice Victor Victor Victor

> W Watch William William William Whiskey
> X X-ray X-ray X-ray X-ray X-ray
> Y Yoke Yoke Yoke Yoke Yankee
> Z Zed Zed Zed Zebra Zulu
> Sources:
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> The Bluejackets' Manual. Revised and Expanded ed. Annapolis: Naval Institute Press, 1913.
> The Bluejackets' Manual. 5th ed. Annapolis: Naval Institute Press, 1917.
> The Bluejackets' Manual. 7th ed. Annapolis: Naval Institute Press, 1927.
> The Bluejackets' Manual. 8th ed. Annapolis: Naval Institute Press, 1938.
> The Bluejackets' Manual. 11th ed. Annapolis: Naval Institute Press, 1943.
> The Bluejackets' Manual. 15th ed. Annapolis: Naval Institute Press, 1957.
> The Bluejackets' Manual. 20th ed. Annapolis: Naval Institute Press, 1978.
> Watson, Bruce W. and Susan M. Watson. United States Navy: A Dictionary. New York: Garland Publishing, 1991.
>
>
> Well, there you go....a proper list, with a little history lessen to boot (even though it is NAVY)...."GO ARMY, BEAT (SINK) NAVY!"
>
> Mike
> KF4UPO
>
> Personally sent from my iPad!

# 1511. North Fulton ARES Net, 1/22/2012, 8:30 pm

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2012-01-21 01:25:49 UTC
From: nfares@yahoogroups.com
Topic: 1511  Message: 1511

Reminder from: nfares Yahoo! Group
http://groups.yahoo.com/group/nfares/cal

North Fulton ARES Net
Sunday January 22, 2012
8:30 pm - 9:30 pm
(This event repeats every week.)
Location: 147.060 MHz (plus 600kHz) PL 100.0. Backup is 145.470 MHz (minus 600 kHz) PL 100.0

Notes:
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# 1512. NFARES 01/22/2012 8:30 pm Net Report

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2012-01-23 02:02:09 UTC
From: swilliams2549@charter.net
Topic: 1512  Message: 1512
Attachments: 2 described; binary payloads are missing from this source WARC

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# 1513. North Fulton ARES Net, 1/29/2012, 8:30 pm

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2012-01-28 01:25:53 UTC
From: nfares@yahoogroups.com
Topic: 1513  Message: 1513

Reminder from: nfares Yahoo! Group
http://groups.yahoo.com/group/nfares/cal

North Fulton ARES Net
Sunday January 29, 2012
8:30 pm - 9:30 pm
(This event repeats every week.)
Location: 147.060 MHz (plus 600kHz) PL 100.0. Backup is 145.470 MHz (minus 600 kHz) PL 100.0

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# 1514. FOR SALE - ICOM 718 HF Transceiver

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2012-01-29 14:04:11 UTC
From: w4uoc@aol.com
Topic: 1514  Message: 1514

FOR SALE - ICOM 718 HF Transceiver (original box)
Icom PS-85 Power Supply, LDG Z-100 Auto Tuner.

Complete 100 watt SSB/CW/AM station with matching power supply and LDG auto tuner.
$650.00
Tom Koch - W4UOC
_w4uoc@..._ (mailto:w4uoc@...)
404-314-6109

# 1515. NFARES 2-meter net, Sunday, January 29, 2012

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2012-01-30 02:54:26 UTC
From: Mike Cohen
Topic: 1515  Message: 1515

We had 16 check-ins on the NFARES 2-meter net, Sunday, January 29, 2012

W4UOC - Tom, EC North Fulton, Sandy Springs, BP

KD9RU – Dave, EchoLink

N4SBD – Scott, Echolink

K4SQC – John, Johns Creek

N4CUS – John, Roswell, BP

K4YJI – Bill, E. Cobb, BP

AK4TL – Clyde, Dunwoody, BP

N4SEC - Jim, Alpharetta, BP

W4QO – Jim, W. Roswell, BP

AK4EX – Stuart, Sandy Springs

KK4EFN, Phil, Johns Creek

AA4FA - Dan, Dunwoody, BP

N4TOL, John, Roswell

N4BTA – Bret, Alpharetta, BP

W2FAL – Frank, Sandy Springs

AD4MC (NCS) – Mike, Sandy Springs, BP

BP = Battery Power

Comments:

W4UOC – Tom;

The February 14th NFARES meeting will be cancelled because of potentially serious conflicts with Valentine's Day.

Tom checked into GA ARES digital and USB nets.

AD4MC - Mike

John, N4CUS voluteered (really) to be the scheduled NCS and Clyde, AK4TL volunteered (really) to be the backup NCS for the February 5th net.

We welcome all NFARES members to be NCS at least once per year. The Net Script can be found at nfares.org. Let me know if you have a problem logging into the site.

The next scheduled net will be Sunday, February 5th. This net closed at 8:51 PM.

73,

Mike - AD4MC

*404-981-8624*

# 1516. For Sale ☐ Greenlee Punch Set

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2012-02-02 00:11:56 UTC
From: wb2hmg
Topic: 1516  Message: 1516

Contractor-grade Greenlee Model 7235BB Slug Buster Conduit Knockout Punch Set in a high-impact carrying case.

Conduit Sizes: 1/2", 3/4", 1", 1-1/4"

Nominal Hole Sizes: 7/8", 1-3/32", 1-11/32", 1-11/16"

Actual Hole Sizes: .882, 1.110", 1.362", 1.701"

You can see a pix of it here:

http://www.mygreenlee.com/GreenleeDotCom/Products/main.shtml?p_search=72\
35bb&greenlee_category_id=100&Submit=Find&portalProcess_2=showGreenleePr\
oductTemplate&upc_number=32013
<http://www.mygreenlee.com/GreenleeDotCom/Products/main.shtml?p_search=7\
235bb&greenlee_category_id=100&Submit=Find&portalProcess_2=showGreenleeP\
roductTemplate&upc_number=32013>

Lists for over $200. I've seen them as low as $135 new and $102 used.

This set is in excellent, like-new condition. I really think it is new, but I can't prove it, so I'm not willing to call it "new".

Sell for $90.

Frank

W2FAL

# 1517. Net Control Station for the NFARES Sunday Night Nets...Super Bowl Sunday

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2012-02-03 17:26:01 UTC
From: Mike Cohen
Topic: 1517  Message: 1517
Attachments: 1 described; binary payloads are missing from this source WARC

To All NFARES Members,

The great American Holiday of Super Bowl Sunday is now known as the second biggest eating day, other than Thanksgiving. Well, it's also a day when many NFARES members are not available to be Net Control Station for our Sunday NFARES Net.

This is a request for one of you to volunteer to be NCS this Super Bowl Sunday. Please read the sales pitch in the e-mail below and let Tom, W4UOC, or me know if you are willing to be NCS this Sunday. Net Control Script is attached.

Thanks & 73,
Mike - AD4MC

Mike Cohen
(404) 981-8624

---------- Forwarded message ----------
From: Mike Cohen <ad4mc.mike@...>
Date: Sun, Oct 30, 2011 at 10:54 PM
Subject: Net Control Station for the NFARES Sunday Night Nets
To: nfares@yahoogroups.com

NFARES Members,

One of the key training exercises for all ARES members is to practice being the Net Control Station (NCS) for regularly scheduled nets. We have four (sometimes 5) Sunday night Nets each month. We had volunteers scheduled for all of the weeks, but other commitments have prevented some of them from regularly being the NCS. It's time for a new (or existing) group of NFARES members to volunteer to take a regularly scheduled Net. Ideally, we will have enough volunteers (10) so that there would be a primary and alternate NCS for each week. That way, the two could back up each other or alternate each month, meaning that they would be NCS every other month.

Attached is the Script that we have been using. Yes, it can be intimidating the first or second time you are NCS, but it really feels good to know that you can do this important part of being an active ARES member. I would be happy to practice the script (by phone) with anyone who is willing to volunteer.

Please contact me to volunteer or if you have any questions.

Thanks & 73,
Mike - AD4MC

Mike Cohen
(404) 981-8624

# 1518. North Fulton ARES Net, 2/5/2012, 8:30 pm

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2012-02-04 01:25:42 UTC
From: nfares@yahoogroups.com
Topic: 1518  Message: 1518

Reminder from: nfares Yahoo! Group
http://groups.yahoo.com/group/nfares/cal

North Fulton ARES Net
Sunday February 5, 2012
8:30 pm - 9:30 pm
(This event repeats every week.)
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# 1519. Dalton Hamfest Feb 25, 2012

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2012-02-05 14:38:16 UTC
From: w4uoc@aol.com
Topic: 1519  Message: 1519

Dalton Hamfest Feb 25, 2012 (Information)
It's a good one!!!.

_http://daltonhamfest.net/about.html_ (http://daltonhamfest.net/about.html)

# 1520. North Fulton County ARES Meeting, 2/14/2012, 7:00 pm

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2012-02-07 23:58:54 UTC
From: nfares@yahoogroups.com
Topic: 1520  Message: 1520

Reminder from: nfares Yahoo! Group
http://groups.yahoo.com/group/nfares/cal

North Fulton County ARES Meeting
Tuesday February 14, 2012
7:00 pm - 8:30 pm
(This event repeats every month on the second Tuesday.)
(The next reminder for this event will be sent in 6 days, 1 minute.)
Location: Sandy Springs City Council Chambers
Street: Morgan Falls Office Park, 7840 Roswell Road Building 500
City State Zip: Sandy Springs, GA 30350

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# 1521. North Fulton ARES NET 2-5-12

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2012-02-08 15:18:44 UTC
From: CLYDE MCCLAIN
Topic: 1521  Message: 1521

Net Report. North Fulton ARES. 02-05-2012 Sunday 2030 Hrs.

1. W4UOC Tom EC Sandy Springs, traffic, battery.
2. AD4MC Mike Atlanta Echolink, in and out, battery.
3. N4SBD Scott Alpharetta, battery.
4. AA4FA Dan Dunwoody, battery.
5. KK4GEF Dan E. Cobb.
6. KK4GED Valerie E. Cobb.
7. K0WSB Paul Dunwoody, commercial power.
8, AK4TL Clyde Dunwoody, Net Control.

Traffic 1. W4UOC Tom, no meeting on Tues. 2-14, also coax feedline for Johns Creek Fire Station #61 and others discussed.
Thank you for participating AK4TL Clyde.

# 1522. Net Script Change

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2012-02-10 22:32:31 UTC
From: Mike Cohen
Topic: 1522  Message: 1522
Attachments: 1 described; binary payloads are missing from this source WARC

To all NFARES members,

The are some things that we (at least I) just take for granted. One is the wording of the NFARES Net Script that has remained almost unchanged for years.

Roger, AA2HT, has reviewed our net script, particularly the Check-ins section, which says: " When called for check-in, please say "this is," un-key, and listen for another station. If you do not hear another station, continue transmitting and provide: ..." Roger questions whether we really need the extra un-key and listen steps. Although, there are times when they might be beneficial, it might also be a good idea to drop them since even though some check-ins do not break after "this is", we seldom get doubles, which the NCS resolves anyway. So, to give it a try, I have removed that wording from the script on the nfares.org site (BTW, you do not need to log in to see or download it) and have also attached the revised version (which is now formatted to two pages instead of three).

Thanks, Roger, for carefully studying our net script and suggesting a way to improve it. You help make NFARES a dynamic group, where we constantly strive to make it better.

73,
Mike - AD4MC

Mike Cohen
(404) 981-8624

# 1523. North Fulton ARES Net, 2/12/2012, 8:30 pm

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2012-02-11 01:25:45 UTC
From: nfares@yahoogroups.com
Topic: 1523  Message: 1523

Reminder from: nfares Yahoo! Group
http://groups.yahoo.com/group/nfares/cal

North Fulton ARES Net
Sunday February 12, 2012
8:30 pm - 9:30 pm
(This event repeats every week.)
Location: 147.060 MHz (plus 600kHz) PL 100.0. Backup is 145.470 MHz (minus 600 kHz) PL 100.0

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# 1524. Multi City CERT Drill April 21, 2012

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2012-02-11 16:59:48 UTC
From: w4uoc@aol.com
Topic: 1524 Message: 1524

Chief Jeff Scarbrough
Chief James Laudermilk
Capt Steve Rose
Capt Bart Humble
Officer Larry Jacobs
NFARES members

I attended a Sandy Springs CERT Officers Meeting today, Feb 11th to begin planning for a multi city/county CERT, simulated tornado drill/exercise. The drill will be held at the former Target Center on Sandy Springs Circle on Saturday morning April 21st. We expect the number of CERT members scheduled to participate in this event to exceed 175 persons.

I am in charge of pre arranging radio communications plans for this event. It is presumed to be used to provide communications for the Sandy Springs and Alpharetta public service agencies.

We are also extending the offer to participate in this exercise to the Sandy Springs Civilian Police Academy graduates and the Sandy Springs Citizens On Patrol (COP) members to participate in the event for crowd and traffic control around the event site.

At the simulated disaster site the CERT operations will be conducted using FRS radios for the immediate area communications. However in this drill we want to establish net like communications with the following agencies. The assumption will be there are no normal communication modalities available such as cell phone, land line telephone, and even the current city county public service radio services. By relying only on the previously established use of amateur radio communications VHF network plans it will preclude involvement with the cities public service radio systems, leaving them open for normal operations.

The agencies we need to have operational with amateur radio communications capabilities include:

Sandy Springs EOC/911 center.
Sandy Springs Police HQ
Sandy Springs FS 1
Sandy Springs FS 2
Sandy Springs FS 3
Sandy Springs FS 4
Northside Hospital
Childrens Healthcare of Atlanta Hospital
St. Joseph Hospital
Alpharetta EOC/911 center
Disaster Site Primary NFARES Communicator / FRS CERT network NCS

In addition we will need to have a CERT trained NFARES member as the site/exercise primary communicator who will report to the Incident Commander. This person will be the primary NCS for the CERT FRS radio net as well as the communicator that will relay traffic needs and reports via our VHF radio system to the EOCs.

Amateurs that volunteer to support this activity should plan to commit approximately four hoursof their time. The event will start at approximately 9:00 a.m. and be completed around noon.

We would prefer to have CERT trained NFARES or NFARL members be involved with this exercise but would welcome others without CERT training to act as second operators and/or loggers.

If you are interested and willing to commit to serving in this exercises please contact me directly via email to _w4uoc@..._ (mailto:w4uoc@...) and I will make the assignments prior to the next NFARES meeting which will be on
March 13, 2012.

I would welcome any comments or ideas that we might incorporate in supporting in this exercise
.

Tom Koch - W4UOC
Sandy Springs CERT - Communications Officer/Coordinator
Emergency Coordinator - North Fulton Amateur Radio Emergency Service

# 1525. Fwd: Metro Atlanta District ARES Monthly Net

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2012-02-12 03:14:04 UTC
From: w4uoc@aol.com
Topic: 1525  Message: 1525
Attachments: 1 described; binary payloads are missing from this source WARC

FYI

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From: wb4nws@...
To: george@..., wa4ujc@..., kj4nax@...,
davenesf@..., ag4zr@..., ed@..., wb4qdx@...,
juanpabloquiroga@..., randy.kerr@..., rbaker4@..., kc4elv@...,
w4uoc@...
CC: w4ayk@..., ke4fgf@..., ke4qcm@...,
wb4nws@...
Sent: 2/11/2012 5:50:51 P.M. Eastern Standard Time
Subj: re: Metro Atlanta District ARES Monthly Net

Hi folks, attached is the revised pre-amble for the monthly Metro Atlanta District ARES Net, held the first Sunday of each month at 4pm on the WB4NWS repeater, 145.430 (minus offset) enc/dec pl tone of 107.2hz. Thank you John for calling the February net. March Net is to be called by Rockdale County.
Please forward this email to all of your members so they can have the pre-amble and net schedule as well. Lastly, I will be establishing an Echolink node (WB4NWS-R or 593209) on the WB4NWS repeater before the March Net will be called. This will allow many others to check in via a computer or Iphone on Echolink from outside the repeater coverage area. Please reserve Echolink connections for those folks outside the repeater coverage area. Thanks for your participation and look for more good things to come in the near future for Metro Atlanta ARES.
Jim Millsap, WB4NWS, DEC Metro Atlanta
January - South Fulton County
February - Gwinnett County
March - Rockdale County
April - Clayton/Henry County
May - Douglas/Paulding County
June - DeKalb County
July - Cherokee County
August - Coweta/Fayette County
September - Cobb County
October - Newton County
November - North Fulton County
December - DEC or ADEC-Metro

# 1526. North Fulton ARES. 02-12-2012

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2012-02-13 16:29:35 UTC
From: w4uoc@aol.com
Topic: 1526  Message: 1526

Net Report. North Fulton ARES. 02-12-2012 Sunday beginning at 2030 Hrs, ending at 2052 Hrs.

1. W4UOC Tom EC, Sandy Springs, Battery, Traffic
2. N4SBD Scott, Alpharetta, Echolink
3. W4QO Jim, West Roswell, Battery
4. AD4MC Mike, Sandy Springs, Battery
5. KI4DSO George, Norcross
6. KK4EFN Phil, Alpharetta. Battery
7. N4SEC Jim, Alpharetta, Battery
8. AK4EX Stewart, Sandy Springs
9. AA4FA Dan, Dunwoody, Battery
10. K0WSB Paul, Dunwoody
11. KK4GEF Dan, East Cobb
12. N4TOL John, Roswell
13. KK4GED Valerie, East Cobb
14. W3WL Wes, Roswell, Battery
15. N4CUS John, Roswell, Battery Net Control Station

Traffic 1 Tom W4UOC discussed the upcoming Sandy Springs CERT drill scheduled for 4/21. He also explained the locations affected and the basic procedures.

Traffic 2 Tom W4UOC reminded everyone again that the Feb 14 meeting has been cancelled due to Valentines Day.

# 1527. North Fulton County ARES Meeting, 2/14/2012, 7:00 pm

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2012-02-14 00:01:14 UTC
From: nfares@yahoogroups.com
Topic: 1520  Message: 1527

Reminder from: nfares Yahoo! Group
http://groups.yahoo.com/group/nfares/cal

North Fulton County ARES Meeting
Tuesday February 14, 2012
7:00 pm - 8:30 pm
(This event repeats every month on the second Tuesday.)
Location: Sandy Springs City Council Chambers
Street: Morgan Falls Office Park, 7840 Roswell Road Building 500
City State Zip: Sandy Springs, GA 30350

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# 1528. North Fulton ARES Net, 2/19/2012, 8:30 pm

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2012-02-18 01:26:24 UTC
From: nfares@yahoogroups.com
Topic: 1528  Message: 1528

Reminder from: nfares Yahoo! Group
http://groups.yahoo.com/group/nfares/cal

North Fulton ARES Net
Sunday February 19, 2012
8:30 pm - 9:30 pm
(This event repeats every week.)
Location: 147.060 MHz (plus 600kHz) PL 100.0. Backup is 145.470 MHz (minus 600 kHz) PL 100.0

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# 1529. NFARES 2-meter net, Sunday, February 19, 2012

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2012-02-20 02:20:22 UTC
From: Mike Cohen
Topic: 1529  Message: 1529

We had 15 check-ins on the NFARES 2-meter net, Sunday, February 19, 2012

W4UOC - Tom, EC North Fulton, Sandy Springs, BP

KD9RU – Dave, Echolink

KF4UPO- Mike, Echolink

AK4EX – Stuart, Sandy Springs

N4SBD – Scott, Alpharetta, BP

N4SEC - Jim, Alpharetta, BP

N4CUS – John, Roswell, BP

N4BTA – Bret, Alpharetta, BP

AA4FA - Dan, Dunwoody, BP

AK4TL – Clyde, Dunwoody, BP

N4TOL, John, Roswell, BP

KK4GEF – Dan, E. Cobb

KK4GED – Valery, E. Cobb

KK4EFN, Phil, Johns Creek

AD4MC (NCS) – Mike, Sandy Springs, BP

BP = Battery Power

Comments:

W4UOC – Tom;

There will be a Sandy Springs CERT meeting on April 21st. More info to follow.

NFARES / NFARL supported Brandon Hall School on February 15th for the Scholl Club Roundup.

Tom-W4UOC, Clyde-AK4TL, Wes-W3WL, Chuck-EA4CW, Edward-KJ4NRN and Mike-AD4MC helped out.

Tom checked into the GA ARES digital and USB nets.

N4-SEC – Jim;

The next NFARL meeting is scheduled for Tuesday February 21, 2012 , from 7:30 to 9:30 (Many people show up around 7:00 PM)

We welcome all NFARES members to be NCS at least once per year. The Net Script can be found at nfares.org. And does not require a login to access the files.

The next scheduled net will be Sunday, February 26th. Stuart, AK4EX, is scheduled to be NCS. This net closed at 8:49 PM.

73,

Mike - AD4MC

*404-981-8624*

# 1530. Feb 2012 GARES News Letter

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2012-02-24 13:46:16 UTC
From: w4uoc@aol.com
Topic: 1530  Message: 1530

I THOUGHT YOU MIGHT BE INTERESTED IN THE TORNADO DRILL THAT WAS HELD THIS MONTH.
SEVERAL IN OUR GROUP PARTICIPATED IN THE "ON THE AIR DRILL". I AM NOT SURE ALL THAT ID FROM OUR GROUP BUT I DO KNOW THAT CLYDE AK4TL, MIKE AD4MC AND I WERE ON D/STAR, VHF ANALOG AND CLYDE CHECKED INTO THE 3975 NET.

THANKS FOR YOUR PARTICIPATION

TOM - W4UOC

Hi Folks,
Yes, I'm running late with this, and while February is a short month that's hard to find the middle of, that's no excuse.

First, I send many thanks to those of you who made the trip to Forsyth for the Georgia ARES Section Convention in January. Judging from the email, everyone got a lot of good information and enjoyed the meeting.

Special thanks go to our guest speakers, Nick Brown, from GEMA and Lans Rothfusz, from the NWS, who gave very detailed presentations.

In particular our hat is off to Lans, who arranged for a thunderstorm and hail for his presentation that afternoon (you did do that…right?).

That storm made for an interesting trip back home for those of us headed south. It may well have been some people's first chance at "storm chasing." I've never driven through such heavy rain and intense lightning.

Congratulations to Frank Dean, K4SJR, who took home the glass plaque as the 2011 GAARES Ham of the Year. Frank has many friends who sent some very moving comments about him as they cast their votes.

We also presented a special award to runner-up Jimmy Burgamy, WB4NFG, who was "neck and neck" with Frank for the entire voting period. Jimmy, who has been fighting medical problems, received a "Golden Mic" award for "Grace while facing Adversity."

Congratulations also go out to Bill Wilson, KJ4EX, Cleve Cannon, WB4OLL, and Eddie Connally, AA4RI, who rounded out the HOTY nominees for 2011.

I'd also like to thank Lynn Bianco, KN4YZ, and David Benoist, AG4ZR, who serve ably year in and year out as our MCs for the event. Great job guys!

We're already looking at plans for next year; so if you have comments or suggestions, let us know.

February found us involved in the Statewide Tornado Drill on February 8th. The drill was part of "Severe Weather Week" in Georgia. At the same time our Net was running, schools across the state were practicing what to do if they were faced with a tornado about to hit their school.

Our goal was to get as many counties involved as we could, with 140 being the goal. In addition to the HF Net on 3975, a linked repeater Net and a D-Star Net were also active, as well as, a number of local Nets around the state.

One of the first stations to check in on HF was WX4JAX, which is the NWS station in Jacksonville. We'll be adding them to our list of NWS stations, which include WX4PTC in Peachtree City, and WX4TAE, located in Tallahassee.

The early results show:

75 meter Statewide Net - QNI - 150
WX4PTC VHF/UHF linked repeater net – QNI - 110
D-Star Net – QNI - 30
Local VHF/UHF nets reporting – QNI - 84

117 counties reported on the 3975 kHz net.
12 additional counties reported on the WX4PTC Net
3 additional counties were reported on other VHF/UHF Nets
_____
Total Counties reported - 132

That's a lot of participation for a weekday, and we sincerely appreciate everyone who took the time to check in with us.

As I mentioned in Forsyth, Robert Tyler, KF4VBR, has stepped aside as our Webmaster and host of the various Georgia ARRL sites. Dave Stewart, KN4DS, agreed to take on those responsibilities, and is finishing up that transition as we speak.

The changeover has gone smoothly and you may have already noted some of the changes. Some of you may have gotten caught trying to use the various sites while they were in the process of being moved, so if you've experienced problems, that's why.

We thank Robert for his long service and send great appreciation to Dave for taking on this position while still running the Central District as their DEC.

So, that's enough of me for February. Please keep those emails coming and also don't forget to take a camera along when your group has an event!

73, and take care,

Mike, KE4FGF,
Georgia SEC

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ARRL Georgia Section
Section Manager: Eugene C Clark, W4AYK
w4ayk@...

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# 1531. North Fulton ARES Net, 2/26/2012, 8:30 pm

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2012-02-25 01:25:50 UTC
From: nfares@yahoogroups.com
Topic: 1531  Message: 1531

Reminder from: nfares Yahoo! Group
http://groups.yahoo.com/group/nfares/cal

North Fulton ARES Net
Sunday February 26, 2012
8:30 pm - 9:30 pm
(This event repeats every week.)
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# 1532. NFARES 02/26/2012 8:30 pm Net Report

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2012-02-28 01:40:17 UTC
From: swilliams2549@charter.net
Topic: 1532  Message: 1532
Attachments: 2 described; binary payloads are missing from this source WARC

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# 1533. Severe Thunderstorm Warning 2 29 2012

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2012-02-29 16:48:35 UTC
From: w4uoc@aol.com
Topic: 1533  Message: 1533
Attachments: 1 described; binary payloads are missing from this source WARC

NFARES members are requested to monitor the NFARES repeater 147.06 + 100hz. Today and this evening in case of potential wind damage in North Fulton County.

Tom Koch - EC - NFARES

# 1534. North Fulton ARES Net, 3/4/2012, 8:30 pm

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2012-03-03 01:25:47 UTC
From: nfares@yahoogroups.com
Topic: 1534  Message: 1534

Reminder from: nfares Yahoo! Group
http://groups.yahoo.com/group/nfares/cal

North Fulton ARES Net
Sunday March 4, 2012
8:30 pm - 9:30 pm
(This event repeats every week.)
Location: 147.060 MHz (plus 600kHz) PL 100.0. Backup is 145.470 MHz (minus 600 kHz) PL 100.0

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# 1535. High Altitude Balloon Launch

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2012-03-05 02:31:56 UTC
From: Scott Dunbar
Topic: 1535  Message: 1535
Attachments: 1 described; binary payloads are missing from this source WARC

Guys -

I am planning to launch a high altitude balloon for my kids' elementary school (Crabapple Crossing) towards the end of this school year, probably @ the end of May.

I'm working now on a 500mW VHF xmitter + SSTV camera/encoder now, and will be adding an APRS module with some telemetry data + GPS next.

Has anyone in our group done this before? I wanted to reach out to ARES before going to the general NFARL population.

Let me know if you are interesting in helping, as I can use some extra hands + especially some expertise!!

-Scott de N4SBD

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# 1536. NFARES 2-meter net, Sunday, March 4, 2012

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2012-03-05 02:46:02 UTC
From: Mike Cohen
Topic: 1536  Message: 1536

We had 12 check-ins on the NFARES 2-meter net, Sunday, March 4, 2012

W4UOC - Tom, EC North Fulton, Echolink, Ellijay, BP

KD9RU – Dave, Echolink

N4SBD – Scott, Alpharetta, BP

KJ4YJI – Bill, E. Cobb, BP

N4SEC - Jim, Alpharetta, BP

AK4TL – Clyde, Dunwoody, BP

AK4EX – Stuart, Sandy Springs

AA4FA - Dan, Dunwoody, BP

W4QO – Jim, W. Roswell, BP

KK4GEF – Dan, E. Cobb

K0WSB – Paul, Dunwoody

AD4MC (NCS) – Mike, Sandy Springs, BP

BP = Battery Power

Comments:

W4UOC – Tom (copied from an e-mail)

I DID CHECK INTO THE GAARES NET ON SSB TONIGHT FROM ELLIJAY.

THE NEXT NFARES MEETING WILL BE HELD AS SCHEDULED BUT WE WILL MEET IN THE BREAK ROOM OF BUILDING 500, CITY COUNCIL CHAMBERS AREA.

PRIMARY BUSINESS WILL BE TO DISCUSS THE MULTI CITY CERT/TORNADO DRILL SCHEDULED FOR APRIL 21 2012 IN SANDY SPRINGS. WE WILL HAVE AMATEUR RADIO ARES STATION AT THE EXERCISE SITE AT THE OLD TARGET FACILITY ON SANDY SPRINGS CIRCLE. STATIONS AT THE SITE WILL INCLUDE MIKE- AD4MC AND BRET-N4BTA, STUART-AK4EX WILL BE AT THE SANDY SPRINGS EOC AS THE NET CONTROL ONCE THE EFFECTED AREA/SITE CALL FOR SANDY SPRINGS AND ALPHARETTA EOC ACTIVATION/INVOLVEMENT. JIM-N4SEC AND SCOTT-N4SBD WILL BE AT THE ALPHARETTA EOC.

WE NEED SOMEONE TO BE AT THE FOLLOWING OTHER SUPPORT LOCATIONS:

SANDY SPRINGS FIRE STATION #1

SANDY SPRINGS POLICE HEADQUARTERS

NORTHSIDE HOSPITAL

WE WILL USE MT-63/2000 TO SEND SIMULATED VICTIM REPORTS TO THE EOC'S AND TO THE HOSPITALS.

WE WILL DISCUSS THIS IN MORE DETAIL AND CONSIDER OPTIONS TO THE COMMUNICATION PLAN/PREPAREDESS AT OUR NEXT MEETING.

MIKE-AD4MC WILL BE ATTENDING THE NEXT TWO SANDY SPRINGS OFFICERS MEETINGS ON MARCH 10 AND 17 IN MY ABSENCE.

IN ADDITION I WILL BE PRESENTING A CERT COMMUNICATION BASIC TRAINING PROGRAM FOR THE SANDY SPRINGS CERT MEMBERS ON MARCH 7TH, 9:A00 AM AT SANDY SPRINGS FIRE STATION #4.

*N4SBD – Scott*

Pat Barnett was a victim of this week's sever storm. She was 83 years old and an Alpharetta CERT member.

*AK4TL – Clyde*

1st Sunday of the month is the Metro Atlanta District ARES Net on 145.430-107.2, WB4NWS

*W4QO – Jim*

Suggested that Scott-N4SBD increase the frequency deviation on the EchoLink connection to the 147.06 repeater to improve the audio level.

We welcome all NFARES members to be NCS at least once per year. The Net Script can be found at nfares.org. And does not require a login to access the files.

The next scheduled net will be Sunday, March 11th. This net closed at 8:47 PM.

73,

Mike - AD4MC

*404-981-8624*

# 1537. North Fulton County ARES Meeting, 3/13/2012, 7:00 pm

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2012-03-06 22:58:17 UTC
From: nfares@yahoogroups.com
Topic: 1537 Message: 1537

Reminder from: nfares Yahoo! Group
http://groups.yahoo.com/group/nfares/cal

North Fulton County ARES Meeting
Tuesday March 13, 2012
7:00 pm - 8:30 pm
(This event repeats every month on the second Tuesday.)
(The next reminder for this event will be sent in 6 days, 2 minutes.)
Location: Sandy Springs City Council Chambers
Street: Morgan Falls Office Park, 7840 Roswell Road Building 500
City State Zip: Sandy Springs, GA 30350

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# 1538. North Fulton ARES Net, 3/11/2012, 8:30 pm

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2012-03-10 00:32:07 UTC
From: nfares@yahoogroups.com
Topic: 1538  Message: 1538

Reminder from: nfares Yahoo! Group
http://groups.yahoo.com/group/nfares/cal

North Fulton ARES Net
Sunday March 11, 2012
8:30 pm - 9:30 pm
(This event repeats every week.)
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# 1539. North Fulton County ARES Meeting, 3/13/2012, 7:00 pm

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2012-03-12 22:57:51 UTC
From: nfares@yahoogroups.com
Topic: 1537  Message: 1539

Reminder from: nfares Yahoo! Group
http://groups.yahoo.com/group/nfares/cal

North Fulton County ARES Meeting
Tuesday March 13, 2012
7:00 pm - 8:30 pm
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# 1540. Turn your iPhone into a walkie-talkie

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2012-03-14 16:10:17 UTC
From: Mike Cohen
Topic: 1540  Message: 1540

Finally....smartphones are "catching up" with ham radio technology. HI
HI...

http://www.cnn.com/video/?hpt=hp_t2#/video/tech/2012/03/14/iphone-walkie-talkie.cnnmoney

73,

Mike - AD4MC

# 1541. Information on EasyPal

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2012-03-14 01:54:02 UTC
From: Mike Cohen
Topic: 1541  Message: 1541

NFARES Team,

Following up on our Sunday night NFARES Net and tonight's NFARES Meeting, below is the e-mail I received from Charles Locke W4CLE regarding EasyPal and the download link. The Jackson County Ga CERT team has been most gracious to Tom and me with information and suggestions regarding CERT and ARES, including the recommendation to use EasyPal. Charles also took the time to give me some telephone training to get familiar with it. Note that EasyPal will not work acoustically like Fldigi, so a soundcard interface like a SignaLink or RIGblaster will be required. Once you have downloaded and installed the program, the Internet accessed Help file has a lot of useful information for getting it set up, but please don't hesitate to give me a call if you are having any problems and we can play radio on the air.

Tom W4UOC, Stuart AK4EX and I have already successfully used it to send pictures and other files. It's a mighty impressive program and a great additional communications tool.

73,
Mike - AD4MC

Mike Cohen
(404) 981-8624

On Sun, Mar 11, 2012 at 12:45 PM, Charles Locke <lockec@...>wrote:

> Good morning Tom and Mike. I was asked to tell you a little about
> EasyPal as we've been successfully using it in our CERT and ARES groups in
> Jackson county. You may have played around with digital slow scan TV in the
> past and was impressed by the high definition images you received like
> myself. This probably was on 20 and 40 meters SSB and was quite enjoyable
> sending and receiving. The software of choice was most likely EasyPal which
> is available for free on the web on several different sites. A group of us
> saw a potential emergency communications need and decided to try it on VHF
> and UHF which had great success simplex and also through the area
> repeaters. I'll give you a summary of what we've found to date.
>
> Can send a high definition quality photograph in about 2 minutes simplex
> or through a repeater
> Able to send pdf's,Excel and Word documents
> Seems to be reasonably robust
> Works on most modern radios through the packet connection using a
> SignalLink or RigBlaster.
> Can take a picture, load to laptop and send very quickly and easily
> Has a built in ICS-213 form that can be sent in about 30 seconds or less.
>

> Here’s a few examples of it’s use:
>
> Take a picture of the disaster area, a missing person or maybe a wound,
> send to receiving station where they can print it, email or forward it to
> another station.
>
> Send text or most any form like an ICS 213, Radiogram etc.
>
> If someone hands you a message you can simply scan it and send. Kind of
> like a portable FAX which makes it quick and easy without much room for
> error. I have a $30 portable all in one acquired from Walmart in my kit.
>
> The software is available at http://www.kc1cs.com/ , press the EASYPAL
> BETA TEST button for the latest version which is a good one. We’ve done a
> few presentations for groups in surrounding counties and would be happy to
> do one at your location if you would like.
>
> Look forward to working with you and 73,
>
> Charles Locke W4CLE
> Communications Officer
> Jackson County Ga CERT
>
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>

# 1542. March 11,2012 net report, North Fulton ARES

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2012-03-14 19:21:49 UTC
From: CLYDE MCCLAIN
Topic: 1542  Message: 1542

North Fulton ARES net report 3-11-12. Sunday 2030 Hrs to 2046 Hrs local.

W4UOC Tom had comments for NFARES Tues mtg. on 3-13-12 and 4-21-12 CERT drill.

1. W4UOC Tom Emergency Coordinator North Fulton, battery.
2.KD9RU Dave Aiken SC
3. N4SEC Jim Alpharetta battery
4. KK4EFN Phil Johns Creek
5.AD4MC Mike Sandy Springs battery
6. AA4FA Dan Dunwoody battery
7. N4SBD Scott Alpharetta battery
8.W2FAL Frank Sandy Springs
9. AK4EX Stuart Sandy Springs
10. KG5WU Wayne S. Cobb
11. NV4U Ron, Tucker-Mobile
12 KJ4YM Mark E. Cobb
13 KK4GEF Dan E. Cobb battery
14. AK4TL Clyde Dunwoody Net Control.

Thank you for participating. Also thanks for the 147.060 plus pl 100 North Fulton Amateur Radio League repeater use. Clyde McClain AK4TL.

# 1543. North Fulton ARES Net, 3/18/2012, 8:30 pm

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2012-03-17 00:25:23 UTC
From: nfares@yahoogroups.com
Topic: 1543  Message: 1543

Reminder from: nfares Yahoo! Group
http://groups.yahoo.com/group/nfares/cal

North Fulton ARES Net
Sunday March 18, 2012
8:30 pm - 9:30 pm
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# 1544. North Fulton ARES Net, 3/25/2012, 8:30 pm

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2012-03-24 00:25:23 UTC
From: nfares@yahoogroups.com
Topic: 1544  Message: 1544

Reminder from: nfares Yahoo! Group
http://groups.yahoo.com/group/nfares/cal

North Fulton ARES Net
Sunday March 25, 2012
8:30 pm - 9:30 pm
(This event repeats every week.)
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# 1545. //WL2K / NFARES 2-meter net, Sunday, March 25, 2012

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2012-03-26 01:24:12 UTC
From: Mike Cohen
Topic: 1545  Message: 1545

We had 9 check-ins on the NFARES 2-meter net, Sunday, March 25, 2012

W4UOC - Tom, EC North Fulton, Echolink, Sandy Springs, BP

KD9RU – Dave, Echolink

N4SEC - Jim, Alpharetta, BP

N4SBD – Scott, Alpharetta, BP

AK4EX – Stuart, Sandy Springs

W4QO – Jim, W. Roswell, BP

KG5WY – Wayne, S. Cobb, BP

AK4TL – Clyde, Dunwoody, BP

AD4MC (NCS) – Mike, Sandy Springs, BP

BP = Battery Power

Comments:

W4UOC – Tom; [edited] copy from a previous e-mail

THERE WILL BE A MULTI-CITY CERT/TORNADO DRILL SCHEDULED FOR APRIL 21 2012 IN SANDY SPRINGS. WE WILL HAVE AMATEUR RADIO ARES STATION AT THE EXERCISE SITE AT THE ST. JOSEPH'S HOSPITAL PARKING LOT / DECK #6. DRILL SITE STATION WILL INCLUDE MIKE- AD4MC; STUART-AK4EX WILL BE AT THE SANDY SPRINGS EOC AS THE NET CONTROL ONCE THE EFFECTED AREA/SITE CALLS FOR SANDY SPRINGS INVOLVEMENT.

WE NEED ADDITIONAL VOLUNTEERS TO BE AT THE FOLLOWING OTHER SUPPORT LOCATIONS:

ST. JOSEPH”S EMERGENCY ENTRANCE WITH A CROSS-BAND REPEATER SETUP

NORTHSIDE HOSPITAL

SANDY SPRINGS FIRE STATION #2

SANDY SPRINGS FIRE STATION #4

SANDY SPRINGS POLICE HEADQUARTERS

WE WILL USE FLDIGI MT-63/2000 AND EASYPAL TO SEND SIMULATED VICTIM REPORTS, PICTURES AND WORD DOCS & SPREADSHEETS TO THE EOC'S, HOSPITALS AND POLICE / FIRE STATIONS.

We welcome all NFARES members to be NCS at least once per year. The Net Script can be found at nfares.org.

The next scheduled net will be Sunday, April 1st. This net closed at 8:45 PM.

73,

Mike - AD4MC

*404-981-8624*

# 1546. CERT Call to Action...Simulated Tornado Drill

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2012-03-26 19:20:45 UTC
From: Mike Cohen
Topic: 1546  Message: 1546
Attachments: 1 described; binary payloads are missing from this source WARC

NFARES Team,

Here's another good chance for us to serve our community. Sandy Springs will be having a CERT (Community Emergency Response Team) Simulated Tornado Drill on *Saturday, April 21st* at the St. Joseph's Hospital North Parking Lot. They are expecting about 150 - 200 volunteers to be "casualties", so this is a "big deal" type of drill. What is significant for us is that the drill will simulate that *all *infrastructure communications are down; that's police and fire radios, cell phones, land lines and local internet. So...*When all else fails, Amateur Radio*. Thanks to Tom, W4UOC, for building such a strong relationship with Sandy Springs Police and Fire that they have embraced that concept and have called on NFARES to provide the emergency communications.

We will be providing communications between the incident site, the 911 Call Center, St. Joseph's Hospital Emergency Entrance, Northside Hospital, Sandy Springs Fire Stations #2 & #4 and Sandy Springs Police HQ.

The preliminary assignments are:
Location Primary Backup Notes St. Joseph's Incident Site Mike AD4MC Requires cross-band repeater to enable working outside of vehicle 911 Call Center Tom W4UOC

St. Joseph's Emergency Entrance

Requires cross-band repeater to enable working outside of vehicle Northside Hospital

Sandy Springs Fire Station #2 Bill K4YJI

Sandy Springs Fire Station #4

Sandy Springs Police HQ Stuart AK4EX

Please let me know if you can join us for any of the open primary or backup positions.

Also, if you know someone who would like to volunteer to be a "casualty", you can sign up using the "Evite" below. Note that they will be professionally applying moulage (blood and gore) to the casualties, so the kids of all ages will love it. They have asked that all casualty volunteers sign up by March 30th. You can click on the link below to watch the video that Chief Scabrough made of last year's event in Alpharetta. (If you watch carefully, you will even see a couple of NFARES members in that video. ;-)

73,
Mike - AD4MC

Mike Cohen
(404) 981-8624

---------- Forwarded message ----------
From: CERT Sandy Springs <cert.sandysprings.ga@gmail.com>
Date: Thu, Mar 15, 2012 at 6:56 PM
Subject: CERT News & Updates - March
To: Mike <ad4mc.mike@...>

**
Important news for Sandy Springs CERT Members.
Is this email not displaying correctly?
View it in your
browser<http://us4.campaign-archive1.com/?u=7a25b8c99d10a78620f34c605&id=485fcf625b&e=788b4ce3cb>
.
[image: CERT News - Sandy
Springs]<http://sandyspringsga.us4.list-manage.com/track/click?u=7a25b8c99d10a78620f34c605&id=b236e28bf7&e=788b4ce3cb>
CERT Call to Action Simulated Tornado Drill

*Your participation is requested for the multi-jurisdictional drill
scheduled Saturday, April 21**st.*

CERT Members will work as a team at the site of a simulated
tornado<http://sandyspringsga.us4.list-manage.com/track/click?u=7a25b8c99d10a78620f34c605&id=6454d03ce1&e=788b4ce3cb>
in
Sandy Springs. The exercise is designed to refresh and sharpen our skills
to respond to a real disaster. A light breakfast and lunch will be provided.

*Make it a family/group event!* Invite all your friends and family
to volunteer as a "victims." A professional moulage make-up team will be
applying fake, but realistic, "injuries" to our participating victims.
It'll be a memorable experience for all!

*RSVP today* via "Evite", if you have not received this invitation, let us
know. Be sure to RSVP for yourself, and the number of people you're
bringing.* (Volunteers 10yrs old and up are welcome - all minors must
attend with a parent.) *Direct questions to Angela and Renee, CERT Sandy
Springs Administration Support, at:
cert.sandysprings.ga@gmail.com<cert.sandysprings.ga@...?subject=RE%3A%20CERT%20Tornado%20Drill>
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*View video from the last Multi-Jurisdictional CERT Drill
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*<http://sandyspringsga.us4.list-manage1.com/track/click?u=7a25b8c99d10a78620f34c605&id=bc28f838dc&e=788b4ce3cb>

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[image: Radio Communications]
Radio Training*Communications Class*
CERTs are invited to a one hour program to familiarize the team with use of alternative communications devices (FRS two-way radios), amateur radio and their respective radio network procedures.

*Saturday, April 7th
8AM-9AM*

Fire Station 4
4697 Wieuca Rd
Sandy Springs, GA 30342

You'll have the opportunity to put what you learn into practice at the drill in April.

Register today via the "Evite" emailed previously. If you did not receive the invitation. Contact:
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[image: Tell A Friend]
Tell a Friend*Spread the word!*
Encourage your neighbors, family and friends to check out CERT training. The four-class series is taught on a rotating cycle.

Refer friends to our website<http://sandyspringsga.us4.list-manage.com/track/click?u=7a25b8c99d10a78620f34c605&id=e198654e67&e=788b4ce3cb>
for
more information, the current class schedule and to register.

*Want to tag along?* CERT Members are always welcome to attend classes as a refresher.

*We'll come to you!* Did you know your company can host a CERT training for employees? SSFD will schedule onsite classes for groups of 20 or more. Contact Crew Chief / CERT Coordinator James Laudermilk for details.
jlaudermilk@sandspringsga.gov<jlaudermilk@...?subject=CERT%20Training>
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[image: Improve Skills]
CPR Class*March 31, 2012 8AM-12PM*
Add this date to your calendar!

Sandy Springs Fire Department is offering a free Friends & Family CPR training class. Participants will learn CPR skills and be given a practice mannequin and instructional DVD to take home.

*Sandy Springs Fire Station 4
4697 Wieuca Road
Sandy Springs GA 30342*

CPR protocols have changed recently, this is an excellent opportunity to brush up, find out what's new, or learn it for the first time!

13 yrs and up are welcome to attend. Registration is not required. *(Please note this is 'Friends & Family' CPR and does not qualify for certification or recertification.)*

If you have any questions, please contact James Laudermilk at jlaudermilk@...

[image: Social Media]
Stay Connected*Friend - Follow - Update *

Successful teams communicate, and social media is a great way to stay in touch. CERT Sandy Springs is on Facebook<http://sandyspringsga.us4.list-manage1.com/track/click?u=7a25b8c99d10a78620f34c605&id=c7556c6922&e=788b4ce3cb>
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Click the links now to stay connected with your team. Once there, friend, follow, refer, tweet... we want to hear from you.

*Keep us in the loop..*. It's very important to update CERT Admin when your cell phone, home number or email address changes. New contact information should be sent to: cert.sandysprings.ga@....
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73,
Mike - AD4MC

Mike Cohen
(404) 981-8624

# 1547. CERT Call to Action...Simulated Tornado Drill

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2012-03-30 17:49:42 UTC
From: Mike Cohen
Topic: 1546  Message: 1547
Attachments: 1 described; binary payloads are missing from this source WARC

NFARES Team,

Here's the latest update on the list of ARES communications volunteers that have signed up for this Drill:
Location Primary Backup Notes St. Joseph's Incident Site Mike AD4MC Requires cross-band repeater to enable working outside of vehicle 911 Call Center Tom W4UOC

St. Joseph's Emergency Entrance Chuck AE4CW
Requires cross-band repeater to enable working outside of vehicle Northside Hospital Shelia KD4NKE

Sandy Springs Fire Station #2 Bill K4YJI

Sandy Springs Fire Station #4

Sandy Springs Police HQ Stuart AK4EX

We sure would like to have two volunteers at each station, so please reply to add your name to the list.
The Drill will be from 8:00AM until Noon.

From the original e-mail:
Here's another good chance for us to serve our community. Sandy Springs will be having a CERT (Community Emergency Response Team) Simulated Tornado Drill on *Saturday, April 21st* at the St. Joseph's Hospital North Parking Lot. They are expecting about 150 - 200 volunteers to be "casualties", so this is a "big deal" type of drill. What is significant for us is that the drill will simulate that *all *infrastructure communications are down; that's police and fire radios, cell phones, land lines and local internet. So...*When all else fails, Amateur Radio*. Thanks to Tom, W4UOC, for building such a strong relationship with Sandy Springs Police and Fire that they have embraced that concept and have called on NFARES to provide the emergency communications.

We will be providing communications between the incident site, the 911 Call Center, St. Joseph's Hospital Emergency Entrance, Northside Hospital, Sandy Springs Fire Stations #2 & #4 and Sandy Springs Police HQ.

73,
Mike - AD4MC

Mike Cohen
(404) 981-8624

# 1548. North Fulton ARES Net, 4/1/2012, 8:30 pm

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2012-03-31 00:25:23 UTC
From: nfares@yahoogroups.com
Topic: 1548  Message: 1548

Reminder from: nfares Yahoo! Group
http://groups.yahoo.com/group/nfares/cal

North Fulton ARES Net
Sunday April 1, 2012
8:30 pm - 9:30 pm
(This event repeats every week.)
Location: 147.060 MHz (plus 600kHz) PL 100.0. Backup is 145.470 MHz (minus 600 kHz) PL 100.0

Notes:
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# 1549. Google Declares “Morse Code Is Perfect” with New Gmail Tap Mail Program

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2012-04-01 17:59:09 UTC
From: Mike Cohen
Topic: 1549  Message: 1549

Finally !!

http://www.arrl.org/news/google-declares-morse-code-is-perfect-with-new-em-gmail-tap-em-mail-program

Well...

73,
Mike - AD4MC

Mike Cohen
(404) 981-8624

# 1550. NFARES 2-meter net, Sunday, April 1, 2012

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2012-04-02 01:17:40 UTC
From: MikeC
Topic: 1550  Message: 1550

We had 14 check-ins on the NFARES 2-meter net, Sunday, April 1, 2012
W4UOC - Tom, EC North Fulton, Echolink ☐ W4UOC-R / RF, Sandy Springs, BP
KD9RU ☐ Dave, Aikens, SC, Echolink, BP
N4SEC - Jim, Venice, FL, Echolink, BP
AK4EX ☐ Stuart, Sandy Springs, Echolink
N4SBD ☐ Scott, Baltimore, MD, Echolink, BP
KK4EFN ☐ Phil, John Creek
W4QO ☐ Jim, W. Roswell, BP
AA4FA ☐ Dan, Dunwoody, BP
KJ4YM ☐ Mark, E. Cobb
W2FAL ☐ Frank, Sandy Springs
K4KRX ☐ Keith, E. Cobb
K4YJI ☐ Bill, E. Cobb, BP
KG5WU ☐ Wayne, S. Cobb, BP
AD4MC (NCS) ☐ Mike, Sandy Springs, BP

BP = Battery Power

Comments:
W4UOC ☐ Tom [edited] copy from a previous e-mail

THERE WILL BE A MULTI CITY CERT/TORNADO DRILL SCHEDULED FOR APRIL 21 2012 IN SANDY SPRINGS. THE FOLLOWING ARES STATIONS ARE PLANNED TO SUPPORT THIS DRILL:

SANDY SPRINGS 911/EOC AS THE NCS ☐ Tom - W4UOC
ST. JOSEPH'S HOSPITAL PARKING DECK #6 W/CROSS-BAND REPEAT☐Mike-AD4MC
ST. JOSEPH'S EMERGENCY ENTRANCE W/CROSS-BAND REPEAT☐Chuck-AE4CW
SANDY SPRINGS FIRE STATION #2☐Bill-K4YJI
SANDY SPRINGS FIRE STATION #4-Open
SANDY SPRINGS POLICE HEADQUARTERS-Stuart-AK4EX
NORTHSIDE HOSPITAL☐Sheila☐KD4NKE

WE WOULD APPRECIATE HAVING A 2ND OPERATOR AT EACH LOCATION AND A PRIMARY OPERATOR AT SSFS#4.

WE WILL USE FLDIGI MT-63/2000 AND EASYPAL TO SEND SIMULATED VICTIM REPORTS, PICTURES AND WORD DOCS & SPREADSHEETS TO THE EOC'S AND TO THE HOSPITALS. (Note that Digital transmissions are not required for any station.)

PLEASE CONTACT MIKE, ad4mc@... TO SIGN UP.

W4UOC checked in to the 75M ARES Digital net today.

We welcome all NFARES members to be NCS at least once per year. The Net Script can be found at nfares.org.

The next scheduled net will be Sunday, April 8th. This net closed at 8:48 PM.

73,
Mike - AD4MC
404-981-8624

# 1551. CERT Call to Action...Simulated Tornado Drill Saturday, April 21st, 8:00am-Noon

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2012-04-02 01:47:21 UTC
From: Mike Cohen
Topic: 1551  Message: 1551
Attachments: 2 described; binary payloads are missing from this source WARC

NFARES Team,

Here's the latest update on the list of ARES communications volunteers who have signed up for this
CERT Call to Action...Simulated Tornado Drill Saturday, April 21st, 8:00am-Noon:
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Sandy Springs Fire Station #2 135 Johnson Ferry Road Bill K4YJI

Sandy Springs Fire Station #4 4697 Wieuca Rd

Sandy Springs Police HQ 7840 Roswell Road, Suite 301 Stuart AK4EX

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73,
Mike - AD4MC

Mike Cohen
(404) 981-8624

# 1552. North Fulton County ARES Meeting, 4/10/2012, 7:00 pm

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2012-04-03 22:57:39 UTC
From: nfares@yahoogroups.com
Topic: 1552  Message: 1552

Reminder from: nfares Yahoo! Group
http://groups.yahoo.com/group/nfares/cal

North Fulton County ARES Meeting
Tuesday April 10, 2012
7:00 pm - 8:30 pm
(This event repeats every month on the second Tuesday.)
(The next reminder for this event will be sent in 6 days, 2 minutes.)
Location: Sandy Springs City Council Chambers
Street: Morgan Falls Office Park, 7840 Roswell Road Building 500
City State Zip: Sandy Springs, GA 30350

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# 1553. North Fulton ARES Net, 4/8/2012, 8:30 pm

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2012-04-07 00:25:27 UTC
From: nfares@yahoogroups.com
Topic: 1553  Message: 1553

Reminder from: nfares Yahoo! Group
http://groups.yahoo.com/group/nfares/cal

North Fulton ARES Net
Sunday April 8, 2012
8:30 pm - 9:30 pm
(This event repeats every week.)
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# 1554. North Fulton County ARES Meeting, 4/10/2012, 7:00 pm

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2012-04-09 23:03:32 UTC
From: nfares@yahoogroups.com
Topic: 1552  Message: 1554

Reminder from: nfares Yahoo! Group
http://groups.yahoo.com/group/nfares/cal

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# 1555. BMW Challenge - Sandy Springs - Bike Ride/Race

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2012-04-10 12:35:48 UTC
From: w4uoc@aol.com
Topic: 1555  Message: 1555

Diane Fries, a Sandy Springs City Council Woman, is requesting that our NFARES organization provide backup communications for the Sandy Springs Police and Fire/Rescue organizations on May 5th for the "BMW Challenge Bike Race" in Sandy Springs?

We can discuss it at the NFARES meeting tonight. We have participated for the past three years.

We set up with the Fire Rescue EMT's and have one NCS and maybe 3-4 stations on the course.

Your thoughts?

Tom

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From: DFries@...
To: w4uoc@...
Sent: 4/5/2012 4:00:56 P.M. Eastern Daylight Time
Subj: RE: Bike Ride

I am sorry I haven't gotten back to you.
I am sure it would be very helpful for our police and fire departments.
Will you want a tent in the area with our emergency people?
Dianne

# 1556. Re: [nfares] BMW Challenge - Sandy Springs - Bike Ride/Race

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2012-04-10 12:43:41 UTC
From: Mike Cohen
Topic: 1555  Message: 1556

Tom,

Sign me up.

73,
Mike - AD4MC

Mike Cohen
(404) 981-8624

On Tue, Apr 10, 2012 at 8:35 AM, <w4uoc@...> wrote:

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> Police and Fire/Rescue organizations on May 5th for the "BMW Challenge Bike
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> stations on the course.
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> Your thoughts?
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> Tom
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> ------------------------------
> From: DFries@SandySpringsga.gov
> To: w4uoc@...
> Sent: 4/5/2012 4:00:56 P.M. Eastern Daylight Time
> Subj: RE: Bike Ride
>
> I am sorry I haven't gotten back to you.
> I am sure it would be very helpful for our police and fire departments.
> Will you want a tent in the area with our emergency people?
> Dianne
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# 1557. CERT Call to Action...Simulated Tornado Drill Saturday, April 21st, 8:0am-Noon

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2012-04-12 01:57:59 UTC
From: Mike Cohen
Topic: 1557  Message: 1557
Attachments: 2 described; binary payloads are missing from this source WARC

Volunteers,

Here's the latest update on the list of communications volunteers that have signed up for the
CERT Call to Action...Simulated Tornado Drill Saturday, April 21st, 8:0am-Noon:
Location Primary Backup Notes St. Joseph's Incident Site, 5665 Peachtree Dunwoody Rd, NE Mike AD4MC Wayne KG5WU Requires cross-band repeater to enable working outside of vehicle 911 Call Center, Corner of Mt. Vernon and Barfield Tom W4UOC

St. Joseph's Emergency Entrance, 5665 Peachtree Dunwoody Rd, NE Chuck AE4CW Linda
KJ4NYT Requires cross-band repeater to enable working outside of vehicle Northside
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Sandy Springs Fire Station #2, 135 Johnson Ferry Road Bill K4YJI Bill K4YJJ
Sandy Springs Fire Station #4 , 4697 Wieuca Rd Phil KK4EFN

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73,
Mike - AD4MC

Mike Cohen
(404) 981-8624

# 1558. NFARES NET REPORT APRIL 8 2012

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2012-04-12 12:41:30 UTC
From: w4uoc@aol.com
Topic: 1558  Message: 1558

NORTH FULTON ARES NET REPORT SUNDAY APRIL 8 2012
OPEN 2030 CLOSE 2044 LOCAL

W4UOC NCS TOM BA
KK4EFN PHIL BA
AA4FA DAN
AK4EX STUART
KG5WU WAYNE BA
N4SBD SCOTT
KD9RU DAVE ECHOLINK
N4SEC JIM ECHOLINK

BA (BACK UP OR EMERGNEY POWER)

ANNOUNCEMENTS/COMMENTS
NFARES MEETING SCHEDULED FOR SANDY SPRINGS CITY COUNCIL BREAKROOM
UPCOMING EVENTS CERT DRILL APRIL 21, 2012
GLOBAL BMW CYCLE CHALLANGE MAY 6, 2012

# 1559. North Fulton ARES Net, 4/15/2012, 8:30 pm

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2012-04-14 00:25:27 UTC
From: nfares@yahoogroups.com
Topic: 1559  Message: 1559

Reminder from: nfares Yahoo! Group
http://groups.yahoo.com/group/nfares/cal

North Fulton ARES Net
Sunday April 15, 2012
8:30 pm - 9:30 pm
(This event repeats every week.)
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# 1560. North Fulton ARES Net, 4/22/2012, 8:30 pm

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2012-04-21 00:25:25 UTC
From: nfares@yahoogroups.com
Topic: 1560  Message: 1560

Reminder from: nfares Yahoo! Group
http://groups.yahoo.com/group/nfares/cal

North Fulton ARES Net
Sunday April 22, 2012
8:30 pm - 9:30 pm
(This event repeats every week.)
Location: 147.060 MHz (plus 600kHz) PL 100.0. Backup is 145.470 MHz (minus 600 kHz) PL 100.0

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# 1561. NFARES 2-meter net, Sunday, April 22, 2012

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2012-04-23 01:37:36 UTC
From: MikeC
Topic: 1561  Message: 1561

We had 14 check-ins on the NFARES 2-meter net, Sunday, April 22, 2012
W4UOC - Tom, EC North Fulton, Sandy Springs, BP
N4SEC - Jim, Alpharetta, BP
N4SBD ☐ Scott, Alpharetta, BP
KJ4YM ☐ Mark, E. Cobb
N4CUS ☐ John, Roswell, BP
KK4EFN ☐ Phil, John Creek, Cross-Band, BP
AA4FA ☐ Dan, Dunwoody, BP
W4QO ☐ Jim, W. Roswell, BP
K4YJI ☐ Bill, E. Cobb, BP
K4YJJ ☐ Bill, Sandy Springs, BP
AE4CW ☐ Chuck, Marietta
AK4TL ☐ Clyde, Dunwoody, BP
AK4SA ☐ Dan, E. Cobb
AD4MC (NCS) ☐ Mike, Sandy Springs, BP
BP = Battery Power

Comments:
W4UOC ☐ Tom
NFARES SUPPORTED A MULTI CITY CERT/TORNADO DRILL ON APRIL 21 2012 AT THE SANDY SPRINGS ST. JOSEPH'S HOSPITAL COMPLEX.
THE FOLLOWING STATIONS SUPPORTED THIS DRILL:
911 Call Center;Tom W4UOC, Steve KK4DSW with digital messaging
St. Joseph's Incident Site; Mike AD4MC, Wayne KG5WU with cross-band repeat and digital messaging
St. Joseph's Emergency Entrance; Chuck AE4CW, Linda KJ4NYT with cross-band repeat and digital messaging
Northside Hospital; Shelia KD4NKE
Sandy Springs Fire Station #2; Bill KJ4YJI, Bill KJ4YJJ with digital messaging
Sandy Springs Fire Station #4; Phill KK4EFN with cross-band repeat
Sandy Springs Police HQ; Stuart AK4EX with digital messaging
Dekalb County ARES; George Olive, EC, with digital messaging
Jackson County ARES/CERT; Mike Strong K4CRD, Bruce Davis W4BED, Charles Lock W4CLE with digital messaging
WE USED FLDIGI MT-63/2000 AND EASYPAL TO SEND SIMULATED VICTIM REPORTS AND PICTURES.

The 5th annual Global BMW Sandy Springs Cycling Challenge will be held on May 5th at Sandy Springs Circle. This is the finale of a weeklong ☐ Seven City ☐ Professional Criterium Cycling Race. The race runs on a ½ mile course and the world class racers compete through 60 laps of this course.
This year, there is also a food and wine classic to the event. This will be some of the top restaurants in Sandy Springs as well a variety of wineries. The tasting tents will run the length of the race course that is on sandy springs circle. The finish line is sandy Springs Circle at Sandy Springs Place. They are expecting to have 5,000 spectators for this event.

We welcome all NFARES members to be NCS at least once per year. The Net Script can be found at nfares.org.

The next scheduled net will be Sunday, April 29th. This net closed at 8:59 PM.

73,
Mike - AD4MC
404-981-8624

# 1562. Sandy Springs Cycling Challenge 2012 - May 6th - Ham Radio Assistance Requested

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2012-04-27 12:41:31 UTC
From: w4uoc@aol.com
Topic: 1562  Message: 1562

6075 Sandy Springs Circle
Sandy Springs, Georgia

Sunday, May 6, 2012
_http://sandyspringschallenge.org_ (http://sandyspringschallenge.org)

Our NFARES group has asked to provide track communications with the NCS located in the Sandy Springs Fire/Rescue tent and three or four portable (Handheld) stations located on the circular track. If you are willing to commit to help in this event contact Mike Cohen AD4MC _ad4mc.mike@gmail.com_ (mailto:ad4mc.mike@...) and sign up to help. I would expect we would be needed to be on site for the start of the races as 8:30 and close mid afternoon.
I will be unable to attend this event as I have committed to be my wife's nurse following some elective surgery a few days prior to this event. I think you will enjoy this event and would suggest your family members also attend at least some of the day and enjoy this event day in Sandy Springs.

Tom Koch - W4UOC
Emergency Coordinator - North Fulton ARES

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After the ride, please enjoy the Sandy Springs Food & Wine Classic, with a variety of Sandy Springs eateries as well as wine tastings. The Food & Wine Classic begins at 11 a.m. and ends at 6 p.m.
Global BMW Sandy Springs Cycling Challenge – 2012 schedule of events
7:30am Registration
8:30am Northside Hospital Metric Century Ride
8:45am Juniors 10-14
9:10am Junior 15-18
9:40am Women 3/4
10:15am Cat 5
10:50 Masters 45+/55+
11:00 am The Food and Wine Classic Opens
11:35am Cat 4
12:15pm Masters 35+
1:00 pm Cat 3
2:15pm Women 1/2/3
3:35pm Police and Fire Cycling Challenge
4:15pm Men’s Pro/1

6:00 pm Food & Wine Classic Exhibits Close

# 1563. North Fulton ARES Net, 4/29/2012, 8:30 pm

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2012-04-28 06:07:55 UTC
From: nfares@yahoogroups.com
Topic: 1563  Message: 1563

Reminder from: nfares Yahoo! Group
http://groups.yahoo.com/group/nfares/cal

North Fulton ARES Net
Sunday April 29, 2012
8:30 pm - 9:30 pm
(This event repeats every week.)
Location: 147.060 MHz (plus 600kHz) PL 100.0. Backup is 145.470 MHz (minus 600 kHz) PL 100.0

Notes:
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# 1564. Sandy Springs Cycling Challenge 2012 - May 6th - Ham Radio Assistance Requested

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2012-04-29 23:59:58 UTC
From: Mike Cohen
Topic: 1562  Message: 1564
Attachments: 1 described; binary payloads are missing from this source WARC

NFARES Members,

We will be discussing the upcoming Sandy Springs Cycling Challenge on tonight's NFARES Net. Please review the attached race course map.

73,
Mike - AD4MC

Mike Cohen
(404) 981-8624

---------- Forwarded message ----------
From: <W4UOC@...>
Date: Fri, Apr 27, 2012 at 8:41 AM
Subject: Sandy Springs Cycling Challenge 2012 - May 6th - Ham Radio Assistance Requested
To: nfares@yahoogroups.com, nfarl@yahoogroups.com
Cc: ad4mc.mike@..., wcchapman@...

**
6075 Sandy Springs Circle
Sandy Springs, Georgia
Sunday, May 6, 2012 http://sandyspringschallenge.org

Our NFARES group has asked to provide track communications with the NCS located in the Sandy Springs Fire/Rescue tent and three or four portable (Handheld) stations located on the circular track. If you are willing to commit to help in this event contact Mike Cohen AD4MC ad4mc.mike@... and sign up to help. I would expect we would be needed to be on site for the start of the races as 8:30 and close mid afternoon.
I will be unable to attend this event as I have committed to be my wife's nurse following some elective surgery a few days prior to this event. I think you will enjoy this event and would suggest your family members also attend at least some of the day and enjoy this event day in Sandy Springs.

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9:10am Junior 15-18

9:40am Women 3/4

10:15am Cat 5

10:50 Masters 45+/55+

11:00 am The Food and Wine Classic Opens

11:35am Cat 4

12:15pm Masters 35+

1:00 pm Cat 3

2:15pm Women 1/2/3

3:35pm Police and Fire Cycling Challenge

4:15pm Men’s Pro/1

6:00 pm Food & Wine Classic Exhibits Close

# 1565. North Fulton ARES net report April 29,2012

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2012-04-30 01:33:11 UTC
From: CLYDE MCCLAIN
Topic: 1565  Message: 1565

North Fulton ARES net report on 04-29-2012 Sunday night from 2030 Hrs to 2049 Hrs.

Traffic from AD4MC Mike included the Sandy Springs Cycling Challenge on May 05,2012 and volunteers are needed for next Saturday from morning to mid afternoon for radio support with HTs. Please contact AD4MC Mike Cohen for more info. Due to the nature of the race, radio communications enhance overall operations for everyone involved. Also info on the Ham Jam at the Brandon Hall School was discussed.
Check ins
01. KD9RU Dave Aiken SC Echolink, Also AD4MC confirmed.
02. N4SBD Scott Alpharetta battery
03. KJ4YM Mark Cobb County
04. N4SEC Jim Alpharetta battery
05. AD4MC Mike Sandy Springs traffic, battery
06. KK4EFN Phil Johns Creek battery
07. N4CUS John Roswell battery
08. KG5WU Wayne South Cobb battery
09. AK4EX Stuart Sandy Springs battery
10. W4QO Jim West Roswell battery
11. AA4FA Dan Dunwoody battery
12. N4TOL John Roswell battery
13. KJ4OYR Will North Roswell battery
14. AK4TL Net Control Clyde Dunwoody

Close at 8:49 PM local time. Thank you to everyone participating in the net tonight.

# 1567. North Fulton County ARES Meeting, 5/8/2012, 7:00 pm

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2012-05-01 22:57:38 UTC
From: nfares@yahoogroups.com
Topic: 1567  Message: 1567

Reminder from: nfares Yahoo! Group
http://groups.yahoo.com/group/nfares/cal

North Fulton County ARES Meeting
Tuesday May 8, 2012
7:00 pm - 8:30 pm
(This event repeats every month on the second Tuesday.)
(The next reminder for this event will be sent in 6 days, 2 minutes.)
Location: Sandy Springs City Council Chambers
Street: Morgan Falls Office Park, 7840 Roswell Road Building 500
City State Zip: Sandy Springs, GA 30350

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# 1568. North Fulton ARES Net, 5/6/2012, 8:30 pm

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2012-05-05 00:25:33 UTC
From: nfares@yahoogroups.com
Topic: 1568  Message: 1568

Reminder from: nfares Yahoo! Group
http://groups.yahoo.com/group/nfares/cal

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# 1569. NFARES 2-meter net, Sunday, May 6, 2012

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2012-05-07 01:13:30 UTC
From: MikeC
Topic: 1569  Message: 1569

We had 11 check-ins on the NFARES 2-meter net, Sunday, May 6, 2012
W4UOC - Tom, EC North Fulton, Sandy Springs, BP
N4SEC - Jim, Alpharetta, Mobile, BP
K4YJI ☐ Bill, E. Cobb, BP
KK4EFN ☐ Phil, John Creek, BP
KG5WU ☐ Wayne, S. Cobb, BP
KD9RU ☐ Dave, Aiken, SC, EchoLink
W4QO ☐ Jim, W. Roswell, BP
AK4TL ☐ Clyde, Dunwoody, BP
W2FAL ☐ Frank, Sandy Springs
AK4EX ☐ Stuart, Sandy Springs, BP
AD4MC (NCS) ☐ Mike, Sandy Springs, BP
BP = Battery Power

Comments:
KG5WU - Wayne;
The Special Olympics of Georgia will be held on the Emory campus on Friday, May 18th though Sunday, May 20th. Steve, N4TTY, steve.n4tty@..., is looking for additional volunteers for this event.

AK4TL ☐ Clyde;
Checked into the Digital ARES Net today.

W4UOC ☐ Tom
Next NFARES meeting is Tuesday, May 8th, at the Sandy Springs City Council Chambers starting at 7:00 PM.
We will be having a review of the Sandy Springs CERT Tornado Drill. See info below:

NFARES SUPPORTED A MULTI CITY CERT/TORNADO DRILL ON APRIL 21 2012 AT THE SANDY SPRINGS ST. JOSEPH'S HOSPITAL COMPLEX.
THE FOLLOWING STATIONS SUPPORTED THIS DRILL:
911 Call Center;Tom W4UOC, Steve KK4DSW with digital messaging
St. Joseph's Incident Site; Mike AD4MC, Wayne KG5WU with cross-band repeat and digital messaging
St. Joseph's Emergency Entrance; Chuck AE4CW, Linda KJ4NYT with cross-band repeat and digital messaging
Northside Hospital; Shelia KD4NKE
Sandy Springs Fire Station #2; Bill KJ4YJI, Bill KJ4YJJ with digital messaging
Sandy Springs Fire Station #4; Phill KK4EFN with cross-band repeat
Sandy Springs Police HQ; Stuart AK4EX with digital messaging
Dekalb County ARES; George Olive, EC, with digital messaging
Jackson County ARES/CERT; Mike Strong K4CRD, Bruce Davis W4BED, Charles Lock W4CLE with digital messaging
WE USED FLDIGI MT-63/2000 AND EASYPAL TO SEND SIMULATED VICTIM REPORTS AND PICTURES.

We welcome all NFARES members to be NCS at least once per year. The Net Script can be found at nfares.org.

The next scheduled net will be Sunday, May 13th. (Mother's Day) This net closed at 8:44 PM.

73,
Mike - AD4MC
404-981-8624

# 1570. Fw: [nfarl] HF DIGITAL Operating times are now available for sign up!

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2012-05-07 06:04:58 UTC
From: Alan Stern
Topic: 1570  Message: 1570

I thought you forgot to send this to your group, so I did.

----- Forwarded Message -----
>From: W4UOC <w4uoc@...>
>To: "nfarl@yahoogroups.com" <nfarl@yahoogroups.com>
>Sent: Saturday, May 5, 2012 7:13 PM
>Subject: Re: [nfarl] HF DIGITAL Operating times are now available for sign up!
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>
>Considering the fact that out of a membership
>Of 250 plus NFARL members we can't get 6-7 to help with support of the Sandy Springs PD and Fire/Rescue RBM Cycle event and Police/Fire Benevolent Fund.
>I am very disappointed and will not participate anymore with NFARL!
>
>
>This is just another SE- DX Club Affiliate
>
>
>73
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>
>Tom Koch - W4UOC
>Sent from my iPhone
>
>On May 5, 2012, at 11:54 AM, Scott Straw <scottstraw@mindspring.com> wrote:
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>
>>
>>Hello!
>>
>>You have been invited to sign up for
"OPERATING TIMES - HF DIGITAL STATION." Please click on the link below
to view the online sign up sheet.
>>
>>
>>To sign up, go to:
>>www.SignUpGenius.com/go/ 30E0B45AAAF29A64-operating2
>>
>>Scott Straw, KB4KBS
Roswell, Georgia USA
>

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>

# 1571. NFARES MEETING AGENDA MAY 8,2012

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2012-05-07 19:12:36 UTC
From: w4uoc@aol.com
Topic: 1571  Message: 1571

Captain Bart Humble, Sandy Springs Police Homeland Security Commander and Chief James Laudermilk the Sandy Springs Fire/Rescue CERT Coordinator will meet with our NFARES group at our meeting on May 8th to review our involvement during the recent multi jurisdictional Simulated Tornado Exercise that was held on April 21st.

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We look forward to your attendance and participation in this meeting.

Tom Koch - W4UOC
EC - North Fulton ARES

# 1572. Join Armed Forces Crossband Communications Test

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2012-05-07 21:46:51 UTC
From: w4uoc@aol.com
Topic: 1572  Message: 1572

This email is to advise you of the upcoming Join Armed Forces Crossband Communications
Test schduled for May 12th. If you have any questions address them to Tom Koch - _w4uoc@..._ (mailto:w4uoc@...) .
In addition, I would be interested to hear from fellow Army, Navy/Marine, Air Force, Coast Guard MARS members currently active in the multi-service MARS system with the idea of setting up a Special Interest Group within the NFARL to meet and discuss our MARS activities.

Tom Koch - W4UOC

ZCZC AX04
QST de W1AW
Special Bulletin 4 ARLX004
From ARRL Headquarters
Newington CT May 7, 2012
To all radio amateurs

SB SPCL ARL ARLX004
ARLX004 Coast Guard to Join Armed Forces Crossband Communications Test

The US Coast Guard will be joining the Army, Air Force, Navy and Marines in the 2012 Armed Forces Crossband Test, scheduled for May 12. In addition to the Coast Guard station, five Army stations, three Air Force stations and six Navy/Marine Corps stations will be on the air to celebrate the 62nd anniversary of Armed Forces Day (AFD).

Military-to-amateur crossband operations will take place on the dates and time in UTC on the frequencies listed for each station. Voice contacts will include operations in single sideband voice (SSB). Some stations, depending on propagation and staffing, may not operate the entire period. Participating military stations will transmit on selected military MARS frequencies and listen for Amateur Radio stations in the amateur bands. The military station operator will announce the specific amateur band frequency being monitored. Duration of each voice contact should be limited to 1-2 minutes. The Secretary of Defense message will be transmitted via digital modes, including RTTY, PACTOR, AMTOR, PSK31, MFSK and MT63 from certain stations.

The following information was not included in the original list of the stations that will be on the air for the test:

Station: NMN (1300 UTC May 12-0030 UTC May 13) USCG CAMSLANT (Communications Area Master Station Atlantic), Chesapeake, Virginia

Frequency Emission Amateur Band

7.5286 MHz USB 40M (USB)

14.427 MHz USB 20M (USB)

18.1961 MHz USB 17M (USB)

QSL card requests should be addressed to Commanding Officer, ATTN: OS3 Cattell, 4720 Douglas A. Munro Rd, Chesapeake, VA 23322-4399.

Schedules and frequencies of participating military stations, including the stations that will be transmitting the message from the Secretary of Defense can be found on the web in PDF format at, http://www.netcom.army.mil/MARS/docs/AMC_Test_2012.pdf.

Instructions on how to copy and submit the message are also included.
NNNN
/EX

# 1573. North Fulton County ARES Meeting, 5/8/2012, 7:00 pm

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2012-05-07 22:57:36 UTC
From: nfares@yahoogroups.com
Topic: 1567  Message: 1573

Reminder from: nfares Yahoo! Group
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# 1574. Re: NFARES MEETING AGENDA MAY 8,2012

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2012-05-07 23:35:29 UTC
From: Shelia Staton
Topic: 1571  Message: 1574

Hi Tom,

I'm on the road this week. I hope you have a great meeting. It was good to see you all the other day at the CERT exercise.

Shelia

On May 7, 2012, at 3:12 PM, W4UOC@... wrote:

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> Tom Koch - W4UOC
> EC - North Fulton ARES

# 1575. Re: NFARES MEETING AGENDA MAY 8,2012

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2012-05-08 13:19:31 UTC
From: Mike Cohen
Topic: 1571  Message: 1575

Steve,

Absolutely right on. I do *always *remember that point,
though....*after *every
event. ;-(

I am adding that comment to the 2011 SET Review so that I will remember to
state it *before *the next event.

Thanks for the suggestion.

73,
Mike - AD4MC

Mike Cohen
(404) 981-8624

On Tue, May 8, 2012 at 12:18 AM, Southerland, Steven L <
Steve.Southerland@...> wrote:

> The only item that has come to my mind, is a bit silly. I wish we had of
> reminded everyone to take as many pictures as possible of different team
> members at their stations for some kind of event log to be made up for
> those attending the drill. ****
>
> ** **
>
> Thanks****
>
> ** **
>
> _____
> *Steve Southerland* |* **Systems Engineer* |* **Comdata*<http://ceridian.com/>
> *6600 Peachtree Dunwoody Rd.*
>
> *300 Embassy Row *
>
> *Sandy Springs, GA 30328 **
> **w: 678.441.2096 | f: 678.441.2637 | c: 404.290.3788*
>
> s t e v e (dot) s o u t h e r l a n d (at) c e r i d i a n (dot) c o m****
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> ** **
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> *From:* Shelia Staton [mailto:sstaton22@...]
> *Sent:* Monday, May 07, 2012 7:35 PM
> *To:* W4UOC@...

> *Cc:* nfarl@yahoogroups.com; nfares@yahoogroups.com;
> swilliams2549@...; AE4CW@...; usmcvet66@...;
> wreed.ie57@...; bcobb10b@...; Southerland, Steven L;
> ad4mc.mike@...; wcchapman@...
> *Subject:* Re: NFARES MEETING AGENDA MAY 8,2012****
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> ** **
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> Hi Tom,****
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> ** **
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> ** **
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> Shelia
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> ****
>
> Tom Koch - W4UOC****
>
> EC - North Fulton ARES****
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# 1576. NFARES Meeting Location for May 8, 2012

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2012-05-08 14:38:41 UTC
From: w4uoc@aol.com
Topic: 1576  Message: 1576

Chief Scarbrough, KK4ATX, will be letting our group into the Sandy Springs City Council Chambers,
Building 500, 7840 Roswell Road, tonight at 7:00 p.m. for the meeting.

Tonight's program will be a critique of the April 21st. CERT Tornado Drill which was supported by members of our NFARES organization. Mike Cohen AD4MC will lead the program, Captain Bart Humble from the Sandy Springs Police, Chief James Laudermilk Sandy Springs CERT Coordinator and Chief Jeff Scarbrough Sandy Springs Fire Marshal will participate in the CERT exercise critique.

Tom Koch - W4UOC

# 1577. Re: NFARES Meeting Location for May 8, 2012

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2012-05-08 16:06:46 UTC
From: Southerland, Steven L
Topic: 1576  Message: 1577

If it is possible, in any way, can an audio recording of the meeting be done, so I would be able to hear it, Please ?

Thanks,

_____
Steve Southerland | Systems Engineer | Comdata<http://ceridian.com/>
6600 Peachtree Dunwoody Rd.
300 Embassy Row
Sandy Springs, GA 30328
w: 678.441.2096 | f: 678.441.2637 | c: 404.290.3788
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# 1578. Apology to NFARL

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2012-05-08 20:03:56 UTC
From: w4uoc@aol.com
Topic: 1578  Message: 1578

First of all I want to apologize for my tactless but inadvertent post to the nfarl yahoo group pertaining to my frustration with the lack of response to my request for radio amateurs to volunteer to help with the Sandy Springs RBM Cycle challenge on Sunday May 8, 2012. This event was a fundraiser in support of the Sandy Springs Police and Fire/Rescue Benevolent Fund.
In past years this event has been well attended by the community and well supported by NFARES and NFARL members. It also had previously been held on a Saturday but being held on a Sunday this year did cause several regular supports in the past to be unavailable due to religious and family obligations.
I was also committed to help the Ellijay Amateur Radio Society provide communications for a Triathlon that included a 56 mile bike course through the mountains between Carters Lake and Ft. Mountain. Approximately 15 EARS club members provided this communications support. That represented in excess of 25% of their total club membership. Most of the members are not ARES certified but just hams like you and me that responded to this event.
The high response to cover the Ellijay community request caused me to question why we had such low response to support Sandy Spring's request for support.
When I was asked to become the Emergency Coordinator for the five cities in North Fulton our meetings were held prior to the regular NFARL meetings and on more than one instance, even when we had speakers from the Atlanta/Fulton County EMA, we were asked to cut or ARES meeting short to provide time to set up for the NFARL regular meeting. That is when I made the decision to move the NFARES meetings to a different location and/or time. Sandy Springs quickly responded to our needs.
I also want to apologize for suggesting that the club was becoming just another SE DX Club affiliate. The NFARL organization does a lot of great things for the amateur radio community. Youth programs, Educational programs, Ham Crams, Contesting, Building Programs and Field Day which, by the way has as its primary goal to create public awareness of our amateur radio hobby.
ARES is also creating community awareness to our public safety organizations. Our efforts over the past 4 years had not only made our community public safety agencies more aware of what we can do but they recognize our capabilities and count on our ability to perform support communications tasks in a time of emergency. We have proven that on multiple occasions such as the Sandy Springs/ Johns Creek Chat Comm switch from Fulton county's 911 system two years ago and our annual Simulated Emergency Tests (SET) During the SET in past years we have had very good assistance from NFARL members, be they ARES certified or not!.
Although our ARES team may not have scored any “points” to publish in QST, we have scored big points with local Hospital Administrators, City Mayors, City Councils and various public safety officials in our communities.
Bottom line, I am very involved with the Metro Medical Response System, Homeland Security, North American Mission Board Disaster Response System,

MARS and our local Police and Fire/Rescue organizations and I am very concerned about our current State of Emergency Preparedness. Maybe too much so! I hope you will forgive me this time. I'll try not to be such a “Gun Slinger” in the future.

Tom Koch - W4UOC

# 1579. I'm headed to Tiajana Joes

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2012-05-08 21:24:23 UTC
From: Jim Stafford
Topic: 1579  Message: 1579

Nothing like late notice,,,, right?

W4QO Jim Stafford www.w4qo.com QRP - When you care enough to send the very least!

# 1580. Fwd: Linda

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2012-05-09 02:29:27 UTC
From: w4uoc@aol.com
Topic: 1580  Message: 1580

After 10 years battling cancer, including several operations, radiation treatments, and 20 months of chemotherapy, my sweet wife Linda passed away early today. We were high school sweethearts and celebrated our 42nd wedding anniversary in January.

During those 10 years, she was able to be part of my son's wedding, enjoy two wonderful grandchildren, help my daughter renovate and move into her new house, co-chair a major fundraising "Tossed Out Treasures" sale in our community, and organize a parade for the Sandy Springs "Town Turtles" fundraising project.

She is thankfully now pain-free and happy to be with the Lord.

- Lee Juckett

# 1581. North Fulton ARES Net, 5/13/2012, 8:30 pm

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2012-05-12 00:25:26 UTC
From: nfares@yahoogroups.com
Topic: 1581  Message: 1581

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# 1582. NFARES 2-meter net, Sunday, May 13, 2012

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2012-05-14 01:20:01 UTC
From: MikeC
Topic: 1582  Message: 1582

We had 11 check-ins on the NFARES 2-meter net, Sunday, May 13, 2012
KD9RU ☐ Dave, Aiken, SC, EchoLink
KK4EFN ☐ Phil, Johns Creek, BP
N4SEC - Jim, Alpharetta, BP
KJ4YM ☐ Mark, E. Cobb
AA4FA ☐ Dan, Dunwoody, BP
KG5WU ☐ Wayne, S. Cobb, BP
AK4EX ☐ Stuart, Sandy Springs, BP
AK4TL ☐ Clyde, Dunwoody
W4QO ☐ Jim, W. Roswell, BP
AK4TL ☐ Clyde, Dunwoody, BP
AD4MC (NCS) ☐ Mike, Sandy Springs, BP
BP = Battery Power

Comments:
N4SBD ☐ Scott

Scott set up a High Altitude Balloon Launch from his son's school (CCES) on Friday, May 11, 2012. The balloon was tracked on APRS and recorded a height of 90,400'. It's location is unknown at this time, but the payload is well labeled and Scott hopes to hear from someone who dicovers it tomorrow, Monday.

We welcome all NFARES members to be NCS at least once per year. The Net Script can be found at nfares.org.

The next scheduled net will be Sunday, May 20th. This net closed at 8:49 PM.

73,
Mike - AD4MC
404-981-8624

# 1583. NFARES 2-meter net, Sunday, May 13, 2012 (Revised)

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2012-05-14 02:18:01 UTC
From: MikeC
Topic: 1583  Message: 1583

We had 11 check-ins on the NFARES 2-meter net, Sunday, May 13, 2012 (Revised)
KD9RU ☐ Dave, Aiken, SC, EchoLink
KK4EFN ☐ Phil, Johns Creek, BP
N4SBD ☐ Scott, Alpharetta, BP
N4SEC - Jim, Alpharetta, BP
KJ4YM ☐ Mark, E. Cobb
AA4FA ☐ Dan, Dunwoody, BP
KG5WU ☐ Wayne, S. Cobb, BP
AK4EX ☐ Stuart, Sandy Springs, BP
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The next scheduled net will be Sunday, May 20th. This net closed at 8:49 PM.

73,
Mike - AD4MC
404-981-8624

# 1584. North Fulton ARES Net, 5/20/2012, 8:30 pm

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2012-05-19 00:25:31 UTC
From: nfares@yahoogroups.com
Topic: 1584  Message: 1584

Reminder from: nfares Yahoo! Group
http://groups.yahoo.com/group/nfares/cal

North Fulton ARES Net
Sunday May 20, 2012
8:30 pm - 9:30 pm
(This event repeats every week.)
Location: 147.060 MHz (plus 600kHz) PL 100.0. Backup is 145.470 MHz (minus 600 kHz) PL 100.0

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# 1585. Free 100ft. Tower

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2012-05-19 12:45:46 UTC
From: w4uoc@aol.com
Topic: 1585  Message: 1585
Attachments: 1 described; binary payloads are missing from this source WARC

This tower is at Swainsboro, GA water treatment plant. It's free to a good home.
They just want it gone.

Contact Shelia Staton - KD4NKE _sstaton22@..._
(mailto:sstaton22@...)

# 1586. NFARES 05/20/2012 8:30 pm Net Report

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2012-05-21 01:25:53 UTC
From: MikeC
Topic: 1586  Message: 1586

NFARES 05/20/2012 8:30 pm Net Report
The following operators checked in to the net:

1. W4UOC Tom - Sandy Springs, EC for NFARES, BP
2. KD9RU Dave - Aiken, SC via EL
3. N4SBD Scott ☐ Florida via EL
4. KI4DSO George ☐ Norcross, BP
5. K4YJI Bill ☐ E. Cobb, BP
6. AD4MC Mike - Sandy Springs, BP
7. KG5WU Wayne - S. Cobb BP
8. AA4FA Dan - Dunwoody CP
9. N4CUS John - Roswell
10. N4SEC Jim, via EL
11. AK4EX Stuart ☐ Sandy Springs CP (NCS)

Comments, discussion or notes:

1. W4UOC Tom ☐ Tom mentioned the high altitude balloon launched and recovered by Scott N4SBD; Tom asked for a volunteer to be in charge to represent NF ARES during Field Day (more detail to follow on the Field Day set up at the next ARES Meeting); Lastly, Tom requested George KI4DSO if he could prepare a presentation on APRS for the next ARES meeting. (NCS attempted to confirm if George would be able to make a presentation but George was unable to respond during the Net.)

2. AD4MC Mike ☐ Mentioned his participation in Special Olympics this weekend.

BP ☐ Battery Power
CP ☐ Commercial Power
EL ☐ EchoLink
NCS ☐ Net Control Station

Net closed at 8:45 pm

There were 11 Check-ins, including NCS, during the NFARES 05/20/2012 net. The next scheduled net will be Sunday, May 27, 2012 at 8:30 p.m. local time.

Thanks to all who checked in this evening. I hope you have a great week!

Stuart, AK4EX

# 1587. North Fulton ARES Net, 5/27/2012, 8:30 pm

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2012-05-26 00:25:31 UTC
From: nfares@yahoogroups.com
Topic: 1587  Message: 1587

Reminder from: nfares Yahoo! Group
http://groups.yahoo.com/group/nfares/cal

North Fulton ARES Net
Sunday May 27, 2012
8:30 pm - 9:30 pm
(This event repeats every week.)
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# 1588. NFARES 2-meter net, Sunday, May 27, 2012

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2012-05-28 01:26:00 UTC
From: MikeC
Topic: 1588  Message: 1588

We had 9 check-ins on the NFARES 2-meter net, Sunday, May 27, 2012
W4UOC ☐ Tom EC NFARES Sandy Springs, BP
N4SBD ☐ Scott, Echolink, Alpharetta, BP
AK4EX ☐ Stuart, Echolink, Sandy Springs, BP
AK4TL ☐ Clyde, Mobile, N. Decatur
KG5WU ☐ Wayne, S. Cobb, BP
KK4EFN ☐ Phil, Johns Creek, BP
KI4DSO ☐ George, Norcross
NX4TB ☐ Toney, Cumming
AD4MC (NCS) ☐ Mike, Sandy Springs, BP
BP = Battery Power

Comments:
W4UOC Tom ☐ Tom mentioned the high altitude balloon launched and recovered by Scott N4SBD; Tom asked for a volunteer to be in charge to represent NF ARES during Field Day (more detail to follow on the Field Day set up at the next ARES Meeting); Lastly, Tom requested George KI4DSO if he could prepare a presentation on APRS for the next ARES meeting on June 12th.

We welcome all NFARES members to be NCS at least once per year. The Net Script can be found at nfares.org.

The next scheduled net will be Sunday, June 3rd. This net closed at 8:49 PM.

73,
Mike - AD4MC
404-981-8624

# 1589. Ham radio operators needed - Peachtree Road Race - Wednesday July 4, 2012

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2012-05-28 19:30:59 UTC
From: David Ziskind, KE4QLH
Topic: 1589  Message: 1589

Hi all,

It's almost Peachtree Road Race time!  Thank you to everyone who provided support in the past. I look forward to welcoming you back, and also welcoming new folks to join us.

There are a few changes this year, including a flag warning system which will be managed by ham radio operators at the water stops.  More on that as the race approaches, but suffice it to say that ham radio continues to become a bigger and more critical part of this event.

As a reminder, the race is on Wednesday, July 4, 2012.  While assignments vary, most of the report times are around 5:30/6am.  Start assignments are generally finished by 9:30am.  Water stop assignments finish as the race goes past, so their finish varies between 10am-12pm.  The course closes at 12pm, so with few exceptions, you will generally be finished by noon at the latest.  If you have a specific time constraint, please let me know, as I can probably work around it!

Please sign up online: <http://www.doitsports.com/volunteer2/info.tcl?job_id=17368613>.  If you have a specific request, please put it in the comments.  No need to email me as well, unless you have a specific question or concern.

Thank you to those who have already signed up.

73,
David Ziskind KE4QLH
ke4qlh@...t

# 1590. NFARL MARS MEMBER INFORMATION

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2012-05-30 20:51:40 UTC
From: w4uoc@aol.com
Topic: 1590 Message: 1590

House Armed Services Committee "Urges" MARS Coordination
TAGS: _air force_ (http://www.arrl.org/news/search/Tag.name:air%20force) ,
_amateur radio operators_
(http://www.arrl.org/news/search/Tag.name:amateur%20radio%20operators) , _Chief
Information Officer_
(http://www.arrl.org/news/search/Tag.name:Chief%20Information%20Officer) , _contingency
radio
communications_
(http://www.arrl.org/news/search/Tag.name:contingency%20radio%20communications) , _fiscal
year_
(http://www.arrl.org/news/search/Tag.name:fiscal%20year) , _important role_
(http://www.arrl.org/news/search/Tag.name:important%20role) , _MARS_
(http://www.arrl.org/news/search/Tag.name:MARS) ,
_MARS program_ (http://www.arrl.org/news/search/Tag.name:MARS%20program) ,
_Military Auxiliary Radio_
(http://www.arrl.org/news/search/Tag.name:Military%20Auxiliary%20Radio) , _state mars
director_
(http://www.arrl.org/news/search/Tag.name:state%20mars%20director) , _US House_
(http://www.arrl.org/news/search/Tag.name:US%20House)
05/30/2012
On May 18, the US House of Representatives approved _HR 4310_
(http://www.gpo.gov/fdsys/pkg/BILLS-112hr4310rh/pdf/BILLS-112hr4310rh.pdf) , The
National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2013. This bill authorizes
appropriations for military activities and prescribes military personnel
strengths for Fiscal Year 2013. When the House Armed Services Committee (_HASC_
(http://armedservices.house.gov/index.cfm/home) ) sent the bill to the
House, it included language in support of the Military Auxiliary Radio System
(MARS) and called for the three MARS branches -- Army, Air Force and
Navy/Marine Corps -- to be brought under one umbrella. (Editor’s note: For a full
text of the HASC’s report, click _here_
(http://www.gpo.gov/fdsys/pkg/CRPT-112hrpt479/pdf/CRPT-112hrpt479.pdf) . The MARS section
begins on page 222).
“The Committee appreciates the important role played in support of the
Department of Defense (DOD) and the armed forces by volunteer and Amateur Radio
operators who comprise the Military Auxiliary Radio System (MARS). Under
_Department of Defense Instruction (DODI) 4650.02_
(http://www.dtic.mil/whs/directives/corres/pdf/465002p.pdf) , MARS provides contingency
radio
communications support to US Government operations. The committee understands
that use by MARS of high-frequency (HF) radio to convey situational awareness
and information in the event of natural or man-made disaster provides an
important back-up to more technologically sophisticated communications
systems that can be disrupted or destroyed as a result of unanticipated failures
or deliberate hostile actions.
“DODI 4650.02 places policy oversight for MARS within the Office of the

Assistant Secretary of Defense for Networks and Information Integration/DOD Chief Information Officer (ASD(NII)/DoD CIO). However, since NII has been disestablished, the Committee is concerned that oversight of the MARS program is unclear, and that there is a lack of standardization in policies, processes and procedures among the three MARS branches within the Army, Air Force and Navy/Marine Corps, since MARS is independently managed within each service. As such, the committee encourages the Department to clarify and maintain policy oversight of MARS within the Office of the Secretary of Defense and to update DoDI 4650.02 with respect to the disestablisment of NII. Further, the committee urges the Department to appoint an individual manager with authority and responsibility for coordination of MARS policies and activities across each of the three MARS branches and within the Department to ensure holistic policy oversight of the MARS program. The committee also encourages the service secretaries and the geographic combatant commanders to integrate MARS more fully into their operational planning and activities, in accordance with the guidance and direction outlined in DoDI 4650.02.” -- Thanks to Virginia State MARS Director David Trachtenberg, N4WWL/AFA3TR, for bringing this to our attention

# 1591. North Fulton ARES Net, 6/3/2012, 8:30 pm

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2012-06-02 00:25:23 UTC
From: nfares@yahoogroups.com
Topic: 1591  Message: 1591

Reminder from: nfares Yahoo! Group
http://groups.yahoo.com/group/nfares/cal

North Fulton ARES Net
Sunday June 3, 2012
8:30 pm - 9:30 pm
(This event repeats every week.)
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# 1592. North Fulton County ARES Meeting, 6/12/2012, 7:00 pm

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2012-06-05 22:57:26 UTC
From: nfares@yahoogroups.com
Topic: 1592  Message: 1592

Reminder from: nfares Yahoo! Group
http://groups.yahoo.com/group/nfares/cal

North Fulton County ARES Meeting
Tuesday June 12, 2012
7:00 pm - 8:30 pm
(This event repeats every month on the second Tuesday.)
(The next reminder for this event will be sent in 6 days, 2 minutes.)
Location: Sandy Springs City Council Chambers
Street: Morgan Falls Office Park, 7840 Roswell Road Building 500
City State Zip: Sandy Springs, GA 30350

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# 1593. North Fulton ARES Net, 6/10/2012, 8:30 pm

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2012-06-09 00:31:44 UTC
From: nfares@yahoogroups.com
Topic: 1593  Message: 1593

Reminder from: nfares Yahoo! Group
http://groups.yahoo.com/group/nfares/cal

North Fulton ARES Net
Sunday June 10, 2012
8:30 pm - 9:30 pm
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# 1594. North Fulton ARES net report. 6-10-12. Sunday 2030 HRS.

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2012-06-11 01:20:36 UTC
From: CLYDE MCCLAIN
Topic: 1594  Message: 1594

6-10-2012 Sunday night net, North Fulton ARES 0830PM local time, close at 0843PM local time. 8 check ins total.Comments from AD4MC Mike included three items, W4UOC Tom would not be available for this net. Tuesday night NFARES meeting on 6-12-2012 at 7 PM as scheduled. Presentations at the meeting include the weather balloon/camera/APRS data launch, flight, and recovery activity by Scott N4SBD and George KI4DSO having a presentation on APRS.

Check ins include.
01. KD9RU Dave, Aiken,  South Carolina on Echolink.
02. KK4EFN Phil Johns Creek, battery.
03. AD4MC Mike Sandy Springs, battery, with traffic.
04.KG5WU Wayne South Cobb, battery.
05. AK4EX Stuart Sandy Springs, commercial power.
06. N4SEC Jim Alpharetta,battery.
07. AA4FA Dan Dunwoody, battery.
08. AK4TL Clyde Dunwoody, commercial power, battery back up, Net Control Operator.
Thank you for tonights participation. Clyde AK4TL.

# 1595. June 12th NFARES Meeting Location Change

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2012-06-11 18:01:46 UTC
From: w4uoc@aol.com
Topic: 1595  Message: 1595

Due to scheduling conflicts with the Sandy Springs City Council Training room, our June 12th, Tuesday evening meeting will be held at the Sandy Springs EOC/Chatcomm 911 center training room

The EOC is located at 859 Mt Vernon Highway NE, Suite 400 and will start at 7:00 p.m.

I or my representative will be at the door at the rear of the building by 6:45 p.m to allow access to the building.

The program for this meeting will include a presentations by Scott Dunbar N4SBD and George Lane KI4DSO.

Since the recent High Altitude Balloon launch was tracked using an onboard APRS transmitter both Scott and George will present a program not only on the success of the launch and its tracking but a presentation on how APRS works and how it might be applied to ARES applications.

If you arrive after 7:00 p.m. and can not get access to the building call my cell 404-314-6109 and someone will come down and let you in the building.

I will look forward to seeing you at the NFARES meeting.

Tom Koch - W4UOC
EC - North Fulton Amateur Radio Emergency Service

# 1596. North Fulton County ARES Meeting, 6/12/2012, 7:00 pm

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2012-06-11 23:03:05 UTC
From: nfares@yahoogroups.com
Topic: 1592  Message: 1596

Reminder from: nfares Yahoo! Group
http://groups.yahoo.com/group/nfares/cal

North Fulton County ARES Meeting
Tuesday June 12, 2012
7:00 pm - 8:30 pm
Location: Sandy Springs City Council Chambers, Morgan Falls Office Park, 7840 Roswell Road Building 500, Sandy Springs, GA 30350

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# 1597. Off topic, but important. Adjust vehicle side mirrors

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2012-06-14 11:42:14 UTC
From: Mike Cohen
Topic: 1597  Message: 1597

Off topic, but important. Adjust vehicle side mirrors:

I cannot believe that I did not know this. I tried it and it works. You will never have a blind spot for a car approaching from the rear to hide in again.

ADJUSTING CAR MIRRORS--not a joke! After years of driving, I NEVER thought of doing it this way.

I always thought I needed to see just a little of my own car on each side.

I'll readjust the mirror on my car today. Watch this and I'll bet you'll do the same.

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73,
Mike - AD4MC

Mike Cohen
(404) 981-8624

# 1598. Re: [nfarl] Off topic, but important. Adjust vehicle side mirrors

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2012-06-14 15:29:04 UTC
From: Mike Cohen
Topic: 1598  Message: 1598

Thanks, Jim. That's a much better way to do it.

73,
Mike - AD4MC

Mike Cohen
(404) 981-8624

On Thu, Jun 14, 2012 at 11:26 AM, Jim Stafford <qrp@bellsouth.net> wrote:

> **
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> Mike et al,
>
> Great info. But I sort of don't like to download videos to my computer to
> avoid virus' There are several youTUBES on this subject. here's one:
>
> http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=KwzUE6PHk4U
>
> That will lead you to others. Now I'm going out to my truck and readjust!
>
> W4QO Jim Stafford www.w4qo.com QRP - When you care enough to send the
> very least!
>
> --- On *Thu, 6/14/12, Mike Cohen <ad4mc.mike@...>* wrote:
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> From: Mike Cohen <ad4mc.mike@...>
> Subject: [nfarl] Off topic, but important. Adjust vehicle side mirrors
> To: nfares@yahoogroups.com, nfarl@yahoogroups.com
> Date: Thursday, June 14, 2012, 7:42 AM
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>
> Off topic, but important. Adjust vehicle side mirrors:
>
> I cannot believe that I did not know this. I tried it and it works. You
> will never have a blind spot for a car approaching from the rear to hide in
> again.
>
> ADJUSTING CAR MIRRORS--not a joke! After years of driving, I NEVER thought
> of doing it this way.
>
> I always thought I needed to see just a little of my own car on each side.

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> I'll readjust the mirror on my car today. Watch this and I'll bet you'll
> do the same.
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> [image: Areyourcarmirrorsadjustedcorrectly~Lorr~3-03-2010.wmv]<https://mail.google.com/mail/u/0/?ui=2&ik=1753cc2af0&view=att&th=137eac6812626dd1&attid=0.1&disp=safe&realattid=771c7ab4b53a6847_0.1&zw>
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> 73,
> Mike - AD4MC
>
> Mike Cohen
> (404) 981-8624
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# 1599. North Fulton ARES Net, 6/17/2012, 8:30 pm

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2012-06-16 00:31:12 UTC
From: nfares@yahoogroups.com
Topic: 1599  Message: 1599

Reminder from: nfares Yahoo! Group
http://groups.yahoo.com/group/nfares/cal

North Fulton ARES Net
Sunday June 17, 2012
8:30 pm - 9:30 pm
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# 1600. NFARES 2-meter net, Sunday, June 17, 2012

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2012-06-18 00:55:16 UTC
From: Mike Cohen
Topic: 1600  Message: 1600

We had 6 check-ins on the NFARES 2-meter net, Sunday, June 17, 2012

AK4TL – Clyde, Echolink, N. Decatur

KG5WU – Wayne, S. Cobb, BP

N4CUS – John, Roswell

N4SEC – Jim, Alpharetta, BP

AA4FA – Dan, Dunwoody, BP

AD4MC (NCS) – Mike, Sandy Springs, BP

BP = Battery Power

Comments:

N4SEC – Jim,

The next NFARL meeting will be Tuesday, June 19th at the Alpharetta Adult Activity Center, 13450 Cogburn Road, Alpharetta North Park, Alpharetta, Georgia 30004, 678-297-6140

AD4MC – Mike,

Heard from Tom that we had an excellent NFARES program last Tuesday with Scott, N4SBD, giving a presentation on a High Altitude Balloon Launch at Scott's son's school followed by an APRS presentation by George, KI4DSO.

We welcome all NFARES members to be NCS at least once per year. The Net Script can be found at nfares.org.

The next scheduled net will be Sunday, June 24th. This net closed at 8:43 PM.

73,

Mike - AD4MC

404-981-8624

# 1601. North Fulton ARES Net, 6/24/2012, 8:30 pm

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2012-06-23 00:30:52 UTC
From: nfares@yahoogroups.com
Topic: 1601  Message: 1601

Reminder from: nfares Yahoo! Group
http://groups.yahoo.com/group/nfares/cal

North Fulton ARES Net
Sunday June 24, 2012
8:30 pm - 9:30 pm
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# 1602. NFARES Sunday Night Net for 2012-06-24

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2012-06-25 01:33:05 UTC
From: Wayne
Topic: 1602  Message: 1602

NFARES Sunday Night Net
(14 participants) 2012-06-24 30 mins

KG5WU (NCS) - Wayne Chapman
AA4FA - Dan McKenzie
AD4MC - Mike Cohen
AK4EX - Stuart Williams
AK4TL - Clyde McClain
K0WSB - Paul Redd
K1OGR - Jason Dutremble
K4YJI - Bill Reed
KI4DSO - George Lane
KK4JZM - Robert Bales
N4SBD - Scott Dunbar
N4SEC - Jim Paine
NO7DB - George Ingraham
W4UOC - Tom Koch

W4OUC: Next ARES meeting on July 10. Tom will be out of town. Needs program suggestions.

K1OGR: Commented on recent balloon launch. Said balloon last reported position somewhere over Marietta. Payload not yet recovered.

Net closed at 850p local time.

# 1603. NFARES Meeting Relocation - Pending

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2012-06-27 18:58:00 UTC
From: w4uoc@aol.com
Topic: 1603  Message: 1603

Due to recent policies pertaining to the access to the Sandy Springs City Council Chambers, I am investigating moving our meetings to the Sandy Springs Police Department Headquarters Training room.

The PDHQ is located in Building 300 on the south end of the Sandy Springs City Offices Complex.

They have a large training room and a smaller conference room that can be used, thus we should have access most of the time without changing our meeting date and time.

I'll keep you informed.

Tom

From: TEKOCH@...
To: steve.rose@...
CC: w4uoc@...
Sent: 6/27/2012 2:41:32 P.M. Eastern Daylight Time
Subj: Amateur Radio Emergency Service - Meeting Room Request

Captain Steve Rose,

The North Fulton Amateur Radio Emergency Service (NFARES) provides back-up emergency communications for the city of Sandy Springs, Roswell, Johns Creek, Alpharetta and Milton Public Safety Departments.

We have supervised and/or installed VHF/UHF analog and digital radios at the Sandy Springs EOC/Chattcomm, Sandy Springs Fire Stations 1-4, Sandy Springs Police Headquarters, North Side Hospital, Emory Johns Creek Hospital and soon a station at North Fulton Hospital. Our radio network can provide both digital and analog voice and digital text/files communications channels with the Roswell EOC, Alpharetta EOC's and their related 911 centers independent of the Internet, land line or cellular services.

These emergency radios are operated by federally licensed amateur radio operators and the net control station is located at the Sandy Springs EOC/911 center. During last years Simulated Emergency Test, (SET) we established emergency communications links between 31 North Fulton served agencies and the Sandy Springs EOC. Chief Scarbrough has produced a video of the 2001 SET as well as the recent April 19th Tornado Exercise with Sandy Springs CERT, COP and ARES volunteers participating in the drill.

The NFARES group meets the second Tuesday of every month with usually 12-15 members in attendance. Until about a month ago we met at the Sandy Springs City Council Training room but now that space has been restricted to entrance unless there is a city employee present to open and close the doors.

In the past few months Chief Jeff Scarbrough, who is also a amateur or Capt Bart Humble have been in attendance to open and close the building.

Since I am the Emergency Coordinator for this group I am asking if it might be possible to move or meetings to the Sandy Springs Police Department training or conference room for our monthly meetings? I have the access key card and would be responsible for entrance to the building. Dr Alan Horlick also a Sandy Springs Police Volunteer and amateur radio operator could be available to admit NFARES members in my absence. Officer Mike Stark N4MSS is also a licensed amateur, although he has not yet joined our NFARES organization.

I will await your consideration of this request

Thomas E. Koch - W4UOC
Emergency Coordinator - North Fulton Amateur Radio Emergency Service
8170 Habersham Waters Road
Sandy Springs, GA 30350
404-314-6109
_w4uoc@..._ (mailto:w4uoc@...)

# 1604. GA 400 HOSPITALITY HWY BIKE RIDE - June 30, 2012

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2012-06-28 19:34:47 UTC
From: w4uoc@aol.com
Topic: 1604  Message: 1604

We have been asked by Eric Broadwell, coordinator for the upcoming GA 400 HOSPITALITY HWY BIKE RIDE scheduled for Sunday July 8, 2012 to help provide two meter communications for this 100 mile cycle event that winds thru Alpharetta, Johns Creek, Sandy Springs and Roswell, GA. They have requested that we set up at six Rest/Safety stops along the route and at the Start/Finish line. I will attempt to get the exact Rest/Safety positions confirmed no later than Friday, June 29th.

The race will begin at 6:00 a.m. and may last until the early afternoon. It may be best to have two amateurs assigned to each rest/safety stop with shifts from 6:00-10:00 and 10:00-2:00. We will use the ARES 147.06 -600 100hz tone for the duration of the race.

I need the name of those that intend to participate to in this event and indicate your preferred time and assignment location no later than Saturday June 30th to assure that we can get the shirts for this event ordered and on hand either prior to or immediately following the race at the Start/Finish line.

You do not have to be an ARES member to help with this event but we would request that the Net Control position at the Star/Finish line be an experienced NFARES member with NCS experience.

Information pertaining to the race can best be viewed on _http://www.ga400century.com/_ (http://www.ga400century.com/)

We will need the following positions filled by Saturday, June 30, 2012

6:00-10:00
10:00-2:00
Name, Call, Phone # Shirt size
Name, Call, Phone # shirt size
NCS at Start/Finish line _____
_____

Rest/Safety Stop 1 _____
_____

Rest/Safety Stop 2 _____
_____

Rest/Safety Stop 3 _____
_____

Rest/Safety Stop 4 _____
_____

Rest Safety Stop 5 _____
_____

Rest Safety Stop 6 _____
_____

# 1605. GA 400 HOSPITALITY HWY BIKE RIDE

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2012-06-28 20:32:56 UTC
From: w4uoc@aol.com
Topic: 1605  Message: 1605
Attachments: 1 described; binary payloads are missing from this source WARC

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6:00-10:00
10:00-2:00
Name, Call, Phone #
Shirt size Name, Call, Phone #
Shirt size
NCS at Start/Finish line _____
_____

Rest/Safety Stop 1 _____
_____

Rest/Safety Stop 2 _____
_____

Rest/Safety Stop 3 _____
_____

Rest/Safety Stop 4A _____
_____

Rest/Safety Stop 4B _____
_____

Rest Safety Stop 5 _____
_____

Rest Safety Stop 6 _____
_____

# 1606. Re: [nfares] GA 400 HOSPITALITY HWY BIKE RIDE - June 30, 2012

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2012-06-29 01:21:49 UTC
From: Tim Lemmon
Topic: 1604  Message: 1606

Tom.

Do you think the Roswell repeater will cover all the areas this ride will go?  I'll be in this ride on the metric century myself.  Perhaps I'll take a radio on my bike?

Tim

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From: "w4uoc@..." <w4uoc@...>
To: nfares@yahoogroups.com; nfarl@yahoogroups.com; w4qo@...; w3wl@...
Cc: ebroadwell@bebikefriendly.com; JHolmes@...; LJacobs@...; RNable@sandyspringsga.gov
Sent: Thursday, June 28, 2012 3:34 PM
Subject: [nfares] GA 400 HOSPITALITY HWY BIKE RIDE - June 30, 2012

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6:00-10:00

10:00-2:00

Name,

Call, Phone # Shirt

size Name,
Call, Phone # shirt size
NCS at Start/Finish
line _____ _____

Rest/Safety Stop
1 _____ _____

Rest/Safety Stop
2 _____ _____

Rest/Safety Stop
3 _____ _____

Rest/Safety Stop
4 _____ _____

Rest Safety Stop
5 _____ _____

Rest Safety Stop
6 _____ _____

# 1607. NFARES APRS public service vehicle test

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2012-06-29 13:54:53 UTC
From: w4uoc@aol.com
Topic: 1607  Message: 1607

I will be testing APRS from our Citizens on Patrol vehicle today starting about 1:00 p.m.
If you want to take a look at openaprs.net search for W4UOC-7. and follow us around Sandy Springs.

Tom Koch

# 1608. North Fulton ARES Net, 7/1/2012, 8:30 pm

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2012-06-30 00:30:52 UTC
From: nfares@yahoogroups.com
Topic: 1608  Message: 1608

Reminder from: nfares Yahoo! Group
http://groups.yahoo.com/group/nfares/cal

North Fulton ARES Net
Sunday July 1, 2012
8:30 pm - 9:30 pm
Location: 147.060 MHz (plus 600kHz) PL 100.0. Backup is 145.470 MHz (minus 600 kHz) PL 100.0

Notes:
Please remember that both repeaters now require a PL tone of 100.0 Hz

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# 1609. GA 400 HOSPITALITY HWY BIKE RIDE - UPDATE

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2012-07-01 15:08:58 UTC
From: w4uoc@aol.com
Topic: 1609  Message: 1609

There is still time to volunteer to help with the Cycle Race scheduled for July 8th.

We have been asked by Eric Broadwell, coordinator for the upcoming scheduled for Sunday July 8, 2012 to help provide two meter communications for this 100 mile cycle event that winds thru Alpharetta, Johns Creek, Sandy Springs and Roswell, GA. They have requested that we set up at six Rest/Safety stops along the route and at the Start/Finish line.

The race will begin at 6:00 a.m. and may last until the early afternoon. It may be best to have two amateurs assigned to each rest/safety stop with shifts from 10:00-2:00 still available. We will use, a still to be determined, repeater for the race.

I need the name of those that intend to participate to in this event and indicate your preferred time and assignment location no later than Sunday July 1 to assure that we can get the shirts for this event ordered and on hand either prior to or immediately following the race at the Start/Finish line.

The Sunday July 1st deadline is only needed to order shirts. However if you decided at a later date you want to participate you will be welcome but I can not guarantee you will get a shirt.

You do not have to be an ARES member to help with this event but we would request that the Net Control position at the Start/Finish line be an experienced NFARES member with NCS experience.

Information pertaining to the race can best be viewed on _http://www.ga400century.com/_ (http://www.ga400century.com/)

If you decide to help please respond with the following information:

YOUR NAME YOUR CALL YOUR PHONE NUMBER YOUR SHIRT SIZE

# 1610. NFARES 2-meter net, Sunday, July 1, 2012

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2012-07-02 01:23:17 UTC
From: MikeC
Topic: 1610  Message: 1610

We had 9 check-ins on the NFARES 2-meter net, Sunday, July 1, 2012
N4SEC ☐ Jim, Alpharetta, BP
KG5WU ☐ Wayne, S. Cobb, BP
AK4EX ☐ Stuart, Sandy Springs, BP
AA4FA ☐ Dan, Dunwoody, BP
AK4TL ☐ Clyde, Mobile, Dunwoody
KK4EFN ☐ Phil, Johns Creek, BP
N4QXH ☐ Alan, Roswell
N4SBD ☐ Echolink, Alpharetta
AD4MC (NCS) ☐ Mike, Sandy Springs, BP
BP = Battery Power

Comments:
KG5WU - Wayne,
The GA 400 HOSPITALITY HWY BIKE RIDE will be held on Sunday, July 8th. Please contact Tom, W4UOC, (w4uoc@...) or Wayne, KG5WU, (kg5wu@...), if you would like to volunteers for one of the remaining available positions.

AK4TL ☐ Clyde,
Checked in to the monthly 2M Metro Net today.

We welcome all NFARES members to be NCS at least once per year. The Net Script can be found at nfares.org.

The next scheduled net will be Sunday, June 24th. This net closed at 8:43 PM.

73,
Mike - AD4MC
404-981-8624

# 1611. NFARES 2-meter net, Sunday, July 1, 2012 - Corrected

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2012-07-02 01:28:18 UTC
From: MikeC
Topic: 1611  Message: 1611

Correction to previous e-mail:
The next scheduled net will be Sunday, July 8th. This net closed at 8:42 PM.

We had 9 check-ins on the NFARES 2-meter net, Sunday, July 1, 2012
N4SEC ☐ Jim, Alpharetta, BP
KG5WU ☐ Wayne, S. Cobb, BP
AK4EX ☐ Stuart, Sandy Springs, BP
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BP = Battery Power

Comments:
KG5WU - Wayne,
The GA 400 HOSPITALITY HWY BIKE RIDE will be held on Sunday, July 8th. Please contact Tom, W4UOC, (w4uoc@...) or Wayne, KG5WU, (kg5wu@...), if you would like to volunteers for one of the remaining available positions.

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The next scheduled net will be Sunday, July 8th. This net closed at 8:42 PM.

73,
Mike - AD4MC
404-981-8624

# 1612. Magellan Roadmate 3120-MU GPS Navigator - Reconditioned $29.99

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2012-07-02 15:51:44 UTC
From: Chuck Daley
Topic: 1612  Message: 1612

http://worldsbestdeals.store.buy.com/p/magellan-roadmate-3120-mu-gps-navigator/230885698.html

# 1613. North Fulton County ARES Meeting, 7/10/2012, 7:00 pm

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2012-07-03 23:16:41 UTC
From: nfares@yahoogroups.com
Topic: 1613  Message: 1613

Reminder from: nfares Yahoo! Group
http://groups.yahoo.com/group/nfares/cal

North Fulton County ARES Meeting
Tuesday July 10, 2012
7:00 pm - 8:30 pm
Location: Sandy Springs City Council Chambers, Morgan Falls Office Park, 7840 Roswell Road Building 500, Sandy Springs, GA 30350

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# 1614. North Fulton ARES Net, 7/8/2012, 8:30 pm

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2012-07-07 00:31:11 UTC
From: nfares@yahoogroups.com
Topic: 1614  Message: 1614

Reminder from: nfares Yahoo! Group
http://groups.yahoo.com/group/nfares/cal

North Fulton ARES Net
Sunday July 8, 2012
8:30 pm - 9:30 pm
Location: 147.060 MHz (plus 600kHz) PL 100.0. Backup is 145.470 MHz (minus 600 kHz) PL 100.0

Notes:
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# 1615. JULY 10,2012 NFARES MEETING

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2012-07-07 12:32:41 UTC
From: w4uoc@aol.com
Topic: 1615  Message: 1615

Due to the fact that many of our regular NFARES members and officers will be unavailable to open the meeting location due to previous vacation and other commitments we will cancel the next July 10th NFARES meeting.

Thanks to all who have volunteered to participate in the July 8th Hospitality 400 Cycle Race scheduled for July 8th.

Tom Koch - W4UOC
EC - North Fulton ARES

# 1616. Georgia 400 Hospatility Cycle Ride

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2012-07-08 21:08:01 UTC
From: w4uoc@aol.com
Topic: 1616  Message: 1616

Thanks to all who participated in the recent Georgia 400 Hospitality Cycle Ride on Sunday July 8, 2002.
I hope you all enjoyed the days activity. I think it went very smoothly.
A special thanks to Wayne Chapman KGWU for the organization of this event and he and Alan NQXH did a great job as Net Control stations.

Location : Communicators Expected coverage times
Rest Stop 1 : W2FAL Frank and N4QXH Alan : 0630 - 0730
Rest Stop 2 : W4QO Jim : 0700 - 0830
Rest Stop 3 : KK4EFN Phil : 0745 - 1015
Rest Stop 4 : N4EYI Brian and AK4CL Dave : 0815 - 1230
Rest Stop 5 : W4DON Don and KJ4PRE Zac : 0945 - 1445
Rest Stop 6 : K4SMM Chris (South Fulton EC) : 1030 - 1545
Motorcycle : N3AIA Doug : 0730 - ????
Start/Finish: KG5WU Wayne and N4QXH Alan : 0600 - 1600
Fill-in : W4UOC Tom Sandy Springs COP and position 6

I hope to hear you on the NFARES VHF net tonight at 8:30 p.m. (147.06 -600 100hz tone) for a wrap-up critique of the days activities.
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# 1617. North Fulton County ARES Meeting, 7/10/2012, 7:00 pm

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2012-07-09 23:05:14 UTC
From: nfares@yahoogroups.com
Topic: 1613  Message: 1617

Reminder from: nfares Yahoo! Group
http://groups.yahoo.com/group/nfares/cal

North Fulton County ARES Meeting
Tuesday July 10, 2012
7:00 pm - 8:30 pm
Location: Sandy Springs City Council Chambers, Morgan Falls Office Park, 7840 Roswell Road Building 500, Sandy Springs, GA 30350

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# 1618. Re: [nfares] North Fulton County ARES Meeting, NO MEETING TONIGHT

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2012-07-10 18:19:07 UTC
From: Jim Stafford
Topic: 1613  Message: 1618

Contrary to the auto generated message you received earlier, there is NO meeting tonight.
 See you in August.
Jim W4QO heard this on the Sunday Night net!

--- On Mon, 7/9/12, nfares@yahoogroups.com <nfares@yahoogroups.com> wrote:

From: nfares@yahoogroups.com <nfares@yahoogroups.com>
Subject: [nfares] North Fulton County ARES Meeting, 7/10/2012, 7:00 pm

# 1619. Sounds like a busy night kicking off...

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2012-07-10 22:35:47 UTC
From: Chuck Daley
Topic: 1619  Message: 1619

http://www.radioreference.com/apps/audio/?action=wp&feedId=2520

Chuck
KD4LXQ

# 1620. RADIO announcement on 106.7 this am YAHOO had their Userid/passwords stolen - change yours or else.

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2012-07-13 14:56:36 UTC
From: Southerland, Steven L
Topic: 1620  Message: 1620

If you think this warning is worth repeating, please forward to anyone who may have a YAHOO account of any kind so that they can change their passwords ASAP.

I am unable to send to all of the YAHOO groups that are Ham related because I do not belong to all of the groups. I only sent this to limited CERT members, so please send to other team members if you have their email addresses.

Steven


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# 1621. RADIO announcement on 106.7 this am YAHOO had their Userid/passwords stolen - Clarification

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2012-07-13 19:23:44 UTC
From: Southerland, Steven L
Topic: 1621  Message: 1621

Clarification on Yahoo Userid thefts.

Again please forward to other groups and team members. Turns out that this information is a few days old, but I just heard it this AM and it does not apply to all Yahoo Users.

Thanks,

_____
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From: nfarl@yahoogroups.com [mailto:nfarl@yahoogroups.com] On Behalf Of Jeffrey Otterson
Sent: Friday, July 13, 2012 1:04 PM
To: nfarl@yahoogroups.com
Subject: Re: [nfarl] RADIO announcement on 106.7 this am YAHOO had their Userid/passwords stolen - change yours or else.

It was the Yahoo Contributor Network passwords that got stolen.

450,000 of them. That is a very small fraction of Yahoo users.

Unless you were in the YCN, chances are good that your password was not stolen.

Jeff n1kdo
On Fri, Jul 13, 2012 at 12:34 PM, draeath <draeath@...<mailto:draeath@...>> wrote:

Thanks for the heads-up, but is there a reference you can link us to? The only major breach recently I've heard was AndroidForums.com.

I'd like to think I'd have heard about this already.

Paul B / KK4DUY
On Fri, Jul 13, 2012 at 10:56 AM, Southerland, Steven L
<steve.southerland@...<mailto:steve.southerland@...>> wrote:

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# 1622. North Fulton ARES Net, 7/15/2012, 8:30 pm

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2012-07-14 00:31:19 UTC
From: nfares@yahoogroups.com
Topic: 1622  Message: 1622

Reminder from: nfares Yahoo! Group
http://groups.yahoo.com/group/nfares/cal

North Fulton ARES Net
Sunday July 15, 2012
8:30 pm - 9:30 pm
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# 1623. FWD: New FREE WEATHER (WX) Warning Yahoo Group from N3FJP (G. Scott Davis)

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2012-07-15 13:01:05 UTC
From: Mike Lozano
Topic: 1623  Message: 1623

Folks,

Scott of N3FJP (software logging programs) has started a new FREE weather warning yahoo group with warnings available through your computer (the computer has to be connected to the Internet). Here is Scotts speel:

I've reworked the www.wxspots.com website. Click the Severe Weather Now link at the top for an instant overview of severe weather in the US. Of course, if you want National Weather Service alerts and images for your specific area, please be sure to download WXWarn while you are there. Whether you are into emergency preparedness, a weather enthusiast or you just want alerts and real time images for your home and family, I think you will really like WXWarn.

The charts Scott provides on through this website are the same products produced by the National Weather Service that are disseminated for use across the country for use by weather station including news (wx reporting) and Aviation briefings to pilots across the country!

Embedded in the sight structure is an additionally product called "WXWarn", which could be downloaded and after you select the areas of the country where you wish to receive wx warnings, once properly loaded and warning areas are selected, your computer will act like a Wx warning radio by "alarming" you that one of the areas you picked now has some type of wx warning associated with one of the selected areas! Of course the computer has to be connect to the Internet!

This looks like a great site for Emcomm Folks and anyone else that wishes to stay ahead of mother nature's sometimes disastrous wx events.

There are two versions: A FREE sight with some sidebar ads or one where you pay $7.00 and the ads are gone.

Enjoy,

Mike
KF4UPO

PS - Did I mention that there is a FREE version!

# 1624. North Fulton ARES Net Report

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2012-07-16 13:02:52 UTC
From: w4uoc@aol.com
Topic: 1624  Message: 1624

North Fulton ARES
Net Sunday July 15, 2012
20:30 EDT
147.06 + 100hz
W4UOC - TOM NCS
KG5WU - WAYNE
KK4DSW - STEVE ECHOLINK
W3FAL - FRANK
N4SEC - JIM
AK4EX - STUART
AA4EFN - PHIL
KD4NKE - SHELIA
W1ZRV - WILL
W5JR - MIKE
Net closed at 20:55
Comments: Reminder about the NFARL meeting Tuesday July 17 with two NFARES members involved in the programs Wayne KG5WU (Heritage 400 Cycle Event recap), Scott N4SBD (High Altitude Balloon Launch)

# 1625. North Fulton ARES Net, 7/22/2012, 8:30 pm

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2012-07-21 00:31:57 UTC
From: nfares@yahoogroups.com
Topic: 1625  Message: 1625

Reminder from: nfares Yahoo! Group
http://groups.yahoo.com/group/nfares/cal

North Fulton ARES Net
Sunday July 22, 2012
8:30 pm - 9:30 pm
Location: 147.060 MHz (plus 600kHz) PL 100.0. Backup is 145.470 MHz (minus 600 kHz) PL 100.0

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# 1626. NFARES 2-meter net, Sunday, July 22, 2012

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2012-07-23 01:57:49 UTC
From: MikeC
Topic: 1626  Message: 1626

We had 13 check-ins on the NFARES 2-meter net, Sunday, July 22, 2012
W4UOC ☐ Tom, Sandy Springs, EC NFARES, BP
KK4KNH ☐ Darren, Roswell
AK4TL ☐ Clyde, Johns Creek, EL
N4SEC ☐ Jim, Alpharetta, BP
KI4DSO ☐ George, Norcross
KK4EFN ☐ Phil, Johns Creek, BP
AK4EX ☐ Stuart, Sandy Springs, BP
KG5WU ☐ Wayne, S. Cobb, BP
N4TOL ☐ John, Roswell, BP
WA4HRR ☐ Charles, Douglasville
KK4KNJ ☐ Chris, Johns Creek
K4YJI ☐ Bill, E. Cobb
AD4MC (NCS)☐ Mike, Sandy Springs, BP
BP = Battery Power
EL = EchoLink

Comments:
W4UOC ☐ Tom,
Our monthly NFARES meeting may move to the Brandon Hall School in Sandy Springs. Additional info, including a map, will be sent out if we make this change.

Scott, N4SBD, gave an excellent presentation to the NFARL about the APRS balloon launch that he set up for his son's school.

Here's another big "Thank You" to Wayne, KG5WU for his personal support of the GA 400 HOSPITALITY HWY BIKE RIDE held on Sunday, July 8th.

We welcome all NFARES members to be NCS at least once per year. The Net Script can be found at nfares.org.

The next scheduled net will be Sunday, July 29th. This net closed at 8:48 PM.

73,
Mike - AD4MC
404-981-8624

# 1627. Helpful Fldigi / Flmsg info from Western Pennsylvania ARES

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2012-07-26 11:49:32 UTC
From: MikeC
Topic: 1627  Message: 1627

I subscribe to NBEMSham@yahoogroups.com and just received the following e-mail with a link to http://wpaares.org

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"Helpsheet for CSV spreadsheets and Flmsg
Wed Jul 25, 2012 6:55 pm (PDT) . Posted by: "Harry Bloomberg" With the release of Flmsg 1.1.22, we now have an improved workflow for
sending and receiving CSV files. There's no more fishing around in folders and manually unwrapping files. Attached is a worksheet I wrote for Western Pennsylvania ARES that describes how this works. This helpsheet will be appearing shortly at http://wpaares.org .

Thanks to Dave W1HKJ for the hard work on the new Flmsg and for listening to the needs of end users. Thanks also to members of Western Pennsylvania ARES who helped test and verify this during two of our training nets.

73,
Harry Bloomberg W3YJ
hbloomb@...
Assistant Section Emergency Coordinator
Western Pennsylvania ARES"

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73,
Mike - AD4MC

# 1628. North Fulton ARES - Meeting Location - August 14, 2012 - 7:00 p.m.

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2012-07-26 14:05:33 UTC
From: w4uoc@aol.com
Topic: 1628  Message: 1628
Attachments: 1 described; binary payloads are missing from this source WARC

Due to recent meeting room access restrictions at various Sandy Springs City locations we have decided to find a public location that poses no access restrictions. We have chosen the Brandon Hall School for a trial location. The school has a school club ham station and we will provide talk in directions on the NF4GA 145.47 -600 100hz repeater to aid with directions for this initial meeting.

Our agenda for this meeting will be to prepare for the upcoming Simulated Emergency Test (SET) tentatively scheduled for October 14, 2012.

Direction to Brandon Hall School - 1701 Brandon Hall Drive Sandy Springs, GA 30350

(http://brandonhall.org/photos/school/great_hall2.jpg)

From the South - (Atlanta):
GA-400 North to Northridge Exit #6
At the end of the ramp cross over Northridge drive onto Roberts Road.
Follow Roberts Road to Spaulding. (Second traffic light)
Left on Spaulding approx 2 miles to the first flashing yellow light
Left on Brandon Hall Drive
The entrance to the school is on the right just passed the intersection at Habersham Waters Road and Brandon Hall Drive

From the North - (Roswell):
Exit the ramp at Northridge Exit #6 and turn left onto Northridge and cross over the GA-400 bridge
Turn right onto Roberts Road the first right after the bridge.
Follow Roberts Drive to Spaulding. (Second traffic light)

Left on Spaulding approx 2 miles to the first flashing yellow light
Left on Brandon Hall Drive
The entrance to the school is on the right just passed the intersection of Habersham Waters Road and Brandon Hall Drive.

From the South - (Dunwoody Area):
Follow Mt Vernon - (East) to Jett Ferry (McDonalds)
Left on Jett Ferry, cross Dunwoody Club Drive
Turn left at Spaulding Road then 1/2 mile to Habersham Waters Road (Rivergate Subdivision)
Turn right on Habersham Waters Road
Follow Habersham Waters Road until it dead ends at Brandon Hall Drive.
Turn right and the entrance to Brandon Hall School is on your right.

Meeting Room Location
After you pass thru the entrance to Brandon Hall School follow the drive

and stay left, follow the signs to the school not the Faculty Residences. You can park in front of the Great Hall or off to the left side of the Administration Building. Our meeting will be in the Rollins Conference Center on the lower level of the Middle School building. It is the first classroom building, directly behind the Great Hall, administration building to the right of the inner courtyard.

For those interested in meeting for dinner prior to the meeting, I would suggest Los Rancheros Mexican Restaurant located in the Orchard Park shopping center at the corner of Dunwoody Club Drive and Jett Ferry Road. On Spaulding proceed northeast to the intersection at Jett Ferry, right on Jett Ferry to just before Dunwoody Club Drive. Those that meet for dinner usually meet about 5:30 p.m. The NFARES meeting will begin at 7:00 p.m. and usually lasts until 8:30-9:00pm.

I hope to see you there

Tom Koch - W4UOC
Emergency Coordinator - North Fulton Amateur Radio Emergency Service
_w4uoc@..._ (mailto:w4uoc@...)
404-314-6109

# 1629. Directions Correction for NFARES new meeting site!

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2012-07-26 17:17:58 UTC
From: w4uoc@aol.com
Topic: 1629  Message: 1629
Attachments: 1 described; binary payloads are missing from this source WARC

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Tom Koch - W4UOC
Emergency Coordinator - North Fulton Amateur Radio Emergency Service
_w4uoc@..._ (mailto:w4uoc@...)
404-314-6109

# 1630. North Fulton ARES Net, 7/29/2012, 8:30 pm

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2012-07-28 00:30:53 UTC
From: nfares@yahoogroups.com
Topic: 1630  Message: 1630

Reminder from: nfares Yahoo! Group
http://groups.yahoo.com/group/nfares/cal

North Fulton ARES Net
Sunday July 29, 2012
8:30 pm - 9:30 pm
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# 1631. Praters Mill hamfest

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2012-07-31 16:53:07 UTC
From: w4uoc@aol.com
Topic: 1631  Message: 1631

_http://daltonhamfest.net/praters_mill_free_hamfest.html_
(http://daltonhamfest.net/praters_mill_free_hamfest.html)

# 1632. N4SBD-R DOWN ?

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2012-07-30 00:49:57 UTC
From: Southerland, Steven L
Topic: 1632  Message: 1632

Tom,

Is N4SBD-R down tonight ? I tried to use ECHOLINK and it is not listed as active.

Thanks,

_____
Steve Southerland | Systems Engineer | Ceridian
6600 Peachtree Dunwoody Rd.
300 Embassy Row
Sandy Springs, GA 30328
w: 678.441.2096 | f: 678.441.2637 | c: 404.290.3788
s t e v e (dot) s o u t h e r l a n d (at) c e r i d i a n (dot) c o m

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# 1633. North Fulton ARES Net Report July 29, 2012

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2012-08-01 12:45:12 UTC
From: w4uoc@aol.com
Topic: 1633  Message: 1633

North Fulton ARES Net Report Sunday July 29.2012
147.06 -600 100hz

W4UOC - Tom NCS (the regular NCS did not show up)
AD4MC - Mike
K4SQC - John
W4QO - Jim
AK4TL - Clyde
KK4KNH - Darrel
K4YJI - Bill
AA4FA - Dan
AK4EX - Stuart
KK4EFN - Phil
10 stations reporting, Comments pertained to the new NFARES meeting location at the Brandon Hall School. Next NFARES program will pertain to organizational plans for the Oct 14th SET.

# 1634. Re: [nfares] North Fulton ARES Net Report July 29, 2012

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2012-08-01 13:00:57 UTC
From: Darren Nelsen
Topic: 1633  Message: 1634

Slight correction...

KK4KNH is Darren

:)

Looking forward to the upcoming meeting. See you there!

--
Darren Nelsen
KK4KNH
http://curiomusic.com/hamradio

On Aug 1, 2012, at 8:45 AM, w4uoc@... wrote:

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> North Fulton ARES Net Report Sunday July 29.2012
> 147.06 -600 100hz
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> W4UOC - Tom NCS (the regular NCS did not show up)
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# 1635. 2012 NFARES SET (Simulated Emergency Test), Sunday, October 14, 2012, 3-6P

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2012-08-02 20:38:02 UTC
From: MikeC
Topic: 1635  Message: 1635

NFARES Team,

We are starting to plan for our 2012 NFARES SET (Simulated Emergency Test), which is scheduled for Sunday, October 14, 2012, 3:00-6:00 PM.

We sure would like to have you join us this year. All hams are welcome. You don't need to be an ARES member or be experienced in emergency communications. A special welcome goes out to newly licensed hams !

Our goal is to address the strengths and weaknesses of last year's SET and to significantly improve our performance this year. Yes, we had a great SET last year, but we can certainly improve. 2011 SET Results from the July QST, pp 68-70, listed GA as first in the country and N Fulton Co (W4UOC) at 9th (533 points) out of the 208 entries (Top 4%).

Here is the link to the past locations for us to start our 2012 SET planning:
http://tinyurl.com/NFARES-2012-SET
This link shows the hams who have already signed up (in black print) and will continuously be updated. Note the revision date in cell B1. (Names in gray print volunteered for the 2011 SET)

We'll discuss our plans at our next NFARES meetings, Sunday night NFARES 8:30PM nets, 147.06 (+) PL 100.0Hz, and by e-mail.

Please let us know by replying to this e-mail or directly to Mike - AD4MC (ad4mc.mike@...) if you are interested in being part of our 2012 SET program. All locations are available plus any new incident or shelter sites that you would like to create.

We know that it is too early for many of you to make a firm commitment, but it is not too soon for us to start planning.

Thanks from your 2012 NFARES SET Planning Team,
Tom, W4UOC
Wayne, KG5WU
Jim, N4SEC
Bret, N4BTA
Jim, W4QO
Scott, N4SBD
Wes, W3WL
Mike, AD4MC

# 1636. North Fulton ARES Net, 8/5/2012, 8:30 pm

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2012-08-04 00:30:55 UTC
From: nfares@yahoogroups.com
Topic: 1636  Message: 1636

Reminder from: nfares Yahoo! Group
http://groups.yahoo.com/group/nfares/cal

North Fulton ARES Net
Sunday August 5, 2012
8:30 pm - 9:30 pm
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# 1637. NFARES 2-meter net, Sunday, August 5, 2012

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2012-08-06 01:05:08 UTC
From: MikeC
Topic: 1637  Message: 1637

We had 6 check-ins on the NFARES 2-meter net, Sunday, August 5, 2012
W4UOC ☐ Tom, Sandy Springs, EC NFARES, BP
N4SEC ☐ Jim, Alpharetta, BP
W2FAL ☐ Frank, Sandy Springs
KK4KNH ☐ Darren, Roswell, BP
KK4JYO ☐ Fred, Roswell
AD4MC (NCS) ☐ Mike, Sandy Springs, BP
BP = Battery Power
EL = EchoLink

Comments:
W4UOC ☐ Tom,
Our monthly NFARES meeting is now at the Brandon Hall School in Sandy Springs. Additional info, including a map has been sent out.

The NFARES SET (Simulated Emergency Test) will be on Sunday, October 14, 3-6PM. Join us at our next NFARES meeting for more information.

We welcome all NFARES members to be NCS at least once per year. The Net Script can be found at nfares.org.

The next scheduled net will be Sunday, August 12th. This net closed at 8:40 PM.

73,
Mike - AD4MC
404-981-8624

# 1638. SET Test

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2012-08-06 15:15:36 UTC
From: Southerland, Steven L
Topic: 1638  Message: 1638

Hello to all,

Since I have not been able to get into the net meetings these last two Sundays and I am clueless as to how to use the calendar that has been posted, plus, I will be unable to attend the meeting at the new location tomorrow.

I still would like to help in some way with the test. I can go to any of the locations that need to be manned, I can help with some setup during the weekdays after work at different locations, except Monday and Thursday nights. I work at 6600 Peachtree Dunwoody Road, NE in Sandy Springs.

Just let me know what you want me to do.

Thanks again,

Steven Southerland
Bethlehem, GA

KK4DSW

73

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# 1639. Re: [nfares] SET Test

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2012-08-06 16:23:26 UTC
From: Mike Cohen
Topic: 1638  Message: 1639

Steve,

Sorry that EchoLink has not been working. Scott, N4SBD, should be able to check it out shortly to turn it on again, hopefully by next Sunday's net.

The next NFARES meeting will be on the second Tuesday of the month, August 14th, at the Brandon Hall School in Sandy Springs. (not August 7th)

If you can't make it, let me know and we can go over the details of the available locations, http://tinyurl.com/NFARES-2012-SET . We'd like to have each volunteer be assigned to a specific location, which, in addition to the locations listed, could be a simulated incident or shelter site that you choose.

73,
Mike - AD4MC

Mike Cohen
(404) 981-8624

On Mon, Aug 6, 2012 at 11:15 AM, Southerland, Steven L <
steve.southerland@...> wrote:

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> Hello to all,****
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> Thanks again,****
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> Steven Southerland****
>
> Bethlehem, GA****
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> KK4DSW****
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# 1640. RE: [nfares] NFARES 2-meter net, Sunday, August 5, 2012

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2012-08-06 14:52:56 UTC
From: Southerland, Steven L
Topic: 1637  Message: 1640

I also tried to get in via Echolink but it is still not working.

KK4DSW

Steven Southerland
Bethlehem, GA

From: nfares@yahoogroups.com [mailto:nfares@yahoogroups.com] On Behalf Of MikeC
Sent: Sunday, August 05, 2012 9:05 PM
To: nfares@yahoogroups.com
Subject: [nfares] NFARES 2-meter net, Sunday, August 5, 2012

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# 1641. North Fulton County ARES Meeting, 8/14/2012, 7:00 pm

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2012-08-07 23:03:37 UTC
From: nfares@yahoogroups.com
Topic: 1641  Message: 1641

Reminder from: nfares Yahoo! Group
http://groups.yahoo.com/group/nfares/cal

North Fulton County ARES Meeting
Tuesday August 14, 2012
7:00 pm - 8:30 pm
Location: Sandy Springs City Council Chambers, Morgan Falls Office Park, 7840 Roswell Road Building 500, Sandy Springs, GA 30350

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# 1642. Re: North Fulton County ARES Meeting, 8/14/2012, 7:00 pm

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2012-08-08 14:09:22 UTC
From: Mike
Topic: 1641  Message: 1642

Tom & Mike,

Is this the correct location - Or is it at the Brandon Hall School? If so, I think the automated messages hasn't been updated. Someone with privileges has to make a change. I'd no it but I don't have priveleges!

Mike
KF4UPO

--- In nfares@yahoogroups.com, nfares@yahoogroups.com wrote:
>
> Reminder from: nfares Yahoo! Group
> http://groups.yahoo.com/group/nfares/cal
>
> North Fulton County ARES Meeting
> Tuesday August 14, 2012
> 7:00 pm - 8:30 pm
> Location: Sandy Springs City Council Chambers, Morgan Falls Office Park, 7840 Roswell Road Building 500, Sandy Springs, GA 30350
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# 1643. North Fulton ARES Net, 8/12/2012, 8:30 pm

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2012-08-11 00:30:53 UTC
From: nfares@yahoogroups.com
Topic: 1643  Message: 1643

Reminder from: nfares Yahoo! Group
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# 1644. New call sign K4DMN (formerly KK4KNH)

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2012-08-12 15:31:03 UTC
From: Darren Nelsen
Topic: 1644  Message: 1644

Hello. Just a note to let everyone know that I have a new vanity call sign K4DMN (formerly KK4KNH).

See you all at the next meeting!

Thanks

--
Darren Nelsen, K4DMN
http://curiomusic.com/hamradio

# 1645. Fwd: Directions Correction for NFARES new meeting site!

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2012-08-13 01:04:03 UTC
From: w4uoc@aol.com
Topic: 1645  Message: 1645
Attachments: 1 described; binary payloads are missing from this source WARC

REMINDER ABOUT THE NEW LOCATION FOR THE NORTH FULTON ARES MEETING.
TUESDAY AUGUST 14TH AT 7:00 P.M.

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From: W4UOC@...
To: W4UOC@..., nfarl@yahoogroups.com, nfares@yahoogroups.com
Sent: 7/26/2012 1:17:58 P.M. Eastern Daylight Time
Subj: Directions Correction for NFARES new meeting site!

Due to recent meeting room access restrictions at various Sandy Springs City locations we have decided to find a public location that poses no access restrictions. We have chosen the Brandon Hall School for a trial location. The school has a school club ham station and we will provide talk in directions on the NF4GA 145.47 -600 100hz repeater to aid with directions for this initial meeting.

Our agenda for this meeting will be to prepare for the upcoming Simulated Emergency Test (SET) tentatively scheduled for October 14, 2012.

Direction to Brandon Hall School - 1701 Brandon Hall Drive Sandy Springs, GA 30350

(http://brandonhall.org/photos/school/great_hall2.jpg)

From the South - (Atlanta):
GA-400 North to Northridge Exit #6
At the end of the ramp cross over Northridge drive onto Roberts Road.
Follow Roberts Road to Spaulding. (Second traffic light)
Left on Spaulding approx 2 miles to the first flashing yellow light
Left on Brandon Hall Drive
The entrance to the school is on the right just passed the intersection at Habersham Waters Road and Brandon Hall Drive

From the North - (Roswell):
Exit the ramp at Northridge Exit #6 and turn right onto Northridge and cross over the GA-400 bridge
Turn right onto Roberts Road the first right after the bridge.
Follow Roberts Drive to Spaulding. (Second traffic light)

Left on Spaulding approx 2 miles to the first flashing yellow light
Left on Brandon Hall Drive
The entrance to the school is on the right just passed the intersection of Habersham Waters Road and Brandon Hall Drive.

From the South - (Dunwoody Area):
Follow Mt Vernon - (East) to Jett Ferry (McDonalds)

Left on Jett Ferry, cross Dunwoody Club Drive
Turn left at Spaulding Road then 1/2 mile to Habersham Waters Road
(Rivergate Subdivision)
Turn right on Habersham Waters Road
Follow Habersham Waters Road until it dead ends at Brandon Hall Drive.
Turn right and the entrance to Brandon Hall School is on your right.

Meeting Room Location
After you pass thru the entrance to Brandon Hall School follow the drive and stay left, follow the signs to the school not the Faculty Residences. You can park in front of the Great Hall or off to the left side of the Administration Building. Our meeting will be in the Rollins Conference Center on the lower level of the Middle School building. It is the first classroom building, directly behind the Great Hall, administration building to the right of the inner courtyard.

For those interested in meeting for dinner prior to the meeting, I would suggest Los Rancheros Mexican Restaurant located in the Orchard Park shopping center at the corner of Dunwoody Club Drive and Jett Ferry Road. On Spaulding proceed northeast to the intersection at Jett Ferry, right on Jett Ferry to just before Dunwoody Club Drive. Those that meet for dinner usually meet about 5:30 p.m. The NFARES meeting will begin at 7:00 p.m. and usually lasts until 8:30-9:00pm.

I hope to see you there

Tom Koch - W4UOC
Emergency Coordinator - North Fulton Amateur Radio Emergency Service
_w4uoc@..._ (mailto:w4uoc@...)
404-314-6109

# 1646. North Fulton County ARES Meeting, 8/14/2012, 7:00 pm

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2012-08-13 23:03:53 UTC
From: nfares@yahoogroups.com
Topic: 1641  Message: 1646

Reminder from: nfares Yahoo! Group
http://groups.yahoo.com/group/nfares/cal

North Fulton County ARES Meeting
Tuesday August 14, 2012
7:00 pm - 8:30 pm
Location: Sandy Springs City Council Chambers, Morgan Falls Office Park, 7840 Roswell Road Building 500, Sandy Springs, GA 30350

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# 1647. NFARL/NFARES 2012 SET (Simulated Emergency Test) Sunday, October 14, 2012, 3-6PM

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2012-08-15 19:05:27 UTC
From: Mike Cohen
Topic: 1647  Message: 1647

As of last night's NFARES meeting, we already have 15 volunteers signed up for the 2012 NFARES / NFARL SET.

See: http://tinyurl.com/NFARES-2012-SET

Of the 41 volunteers who participated last year, 25 had been licensed less than five years, which says a lot about the dynamic growth of our hobby. If you are an experienced ham and would like to help mentor a new ham during the SET, just let me know and we will team you up with a ham who is looking to work with you. Tim, WK4U, graciously offered to be a mentor and a recently licensed ham, Darren, K4DMN, (already has his own vanity call. HI HI) asked to be stationed with a mentor, so they will be working together. It sure would be great to have many more examples like Tim and Darren.

Please contact me to add your name to the list of 2012 SET volunteers and also let me know if you would like to be a mentor or be teamed up with a mentor.

73,
Mike - AD4MC

Mike Cohen
(404) 981-8624

---------- Forwarded message ----------
From: MikeC <ad4mc.mike@...>
Date: Sat, Aug 4, 2012 at 8:30 AM
Subject: [nfarl] NFARL/NFARES 2012 SET (Simulated Emergency Test) Sunday, October 14, 2012, 3-6PM
To: nfarl@yahoogroups.com

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Our 2012 SET (Simulated Emergency Test) is scheduled for Sunday, October 14, 2012, 3:00-6:00 PM. The drill will be our response to a simulated (hopefully not real) tornado.

We sure would like to have you join us this year. All hams are welcome. You don't need to be an ARES member or be experienced in emergency communications. A special welcome goes out to newly licensed hams!

Our goal is to address the strengths and weaknesses of last year's SET and to significantly improve our performance this year. Yes, we had a great SET last year, but we can certainly improve. 2011 SET Results from the July QST, pp 68-70, listed GA as first in the country and N Fulton Co (W4UOC) at

9th (533 points) out of the 208 entries (Top 5%).

Here is the link to the past locations and volunteers to use for our 2012 SET:
http://tinyurl.com/NFARES-2012-SET
This link shows the hams who have already signed up (in black print) and it will continuously be updated. Note the revision date in cell B1. (Names in gray print volunteered for the 2011 SET) All locations are available plus any new incident or shelter sites that you would like to create.

We'll discuss our plans at our next NFARES and NFARL meetings, Sunday night NFARES 8:30PM nets, 147.06 (+) PL 100.0Hz, and by e-mail.

Please let us know if you are interested in being part of our 2012 SET program by replying directly to Mike - AD4MC (ad4mc.mike@...).

Even if you cannot make a firm commitment yet, you can still sign up as a volunteer.

Thanks from your 2012 NFARES SET Planning Team,
Tom, W4UOC
Wayne, KG5WU
Jim, N4SEC
Bret, N4BTA
Jim, W4QO
Scott, N4SBD
Wes, W3WL
Mike, AD4MC

# 1648. Re: NFARL/NFARES 2012 SET (Simulated Emergency Test) Sunday, October 14, 2012, 3-6PM

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2012-08-15 20:18:26 UTC
From: Mike Cohen
Topic: 1647  Message: 1648

Another mentor has come forth...

"I'd be happy to mentor someone at Roswell FS#1...including before if
interested.
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Chuck, AE4CW"

This is a great offer, so if anyone (or more than one) wants to team up
with Chuck (a superstar, IMHO) at Roswell FS#1, just let me know.

73,
Mike - AD4MC

Mike Cohen
(404) 981-8624

On Wed, Aug 15, 2012 at 3:05 PM, Mike Cohen <ad4mc.mike@...> wrote:

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> Mike Cohen
> (404) 981-8624
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> ---------- Forwarded message ----------
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> Date: Sat, Aug 4, 2012 at 8:30 AM
> Subject: [nfarl] NFARL/NFARES 2012 SET (Simulated Emergency Test) Sunday,
> October 14, 2012, 3-6PM
> To: nfarl@yahoogroups.com
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> Jim, N4SEC
> Bret, N4BTA
> Jim, W4QO
> Scott, N4SBD
> Wes, W3WL

> Mike, AD4MC
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# 1649. North Fulton ARES Net, 8/19/2012, 8:30 pm followed by digital message handling training

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2012-08-15 21:51:48 UTC
From: Mike Cohen
Topic: 1649  Message: 1649

Immediately following the Sunday Night NFARES Nets (see details below), we will be having digital message handling training. This includes the installation and setup of the (free) software programs Fldigi, Flwrap and Flmsg.

This link, *http://tinyurl.com/Fldigi-Flmsg-Setup * has all the information you will need to download and set up the software. We will review this information in detail during the nets.

Note that you do not need to have an interface to connect your radio and computer. Fldigi works fine with acoustic coupling between the radio and computer.

We will continue to have this training immediately following the Sunday night NFARES Nets at least until the 2012 SET in October.

Join us to learn or brush up on using digital message handling.

73,
Mike - AD4MC

Mike Cohen
(404) 981-8624

Reminder from: *nfares Yahoo!
Group<http://groups.yahoo.com/group/nfares/cal>
* Title: North Fulton ARES Net Date: Sunday August 19, 2012
Time: 8:30
pm - 9:30 pm Location: 147.060 MHz (plus 600kHz) PL 100.0. Backup is
145.470 MHz (minus 600 kHz) PL 100.0 Notes: Please remember that both
repeaters now require a PL tone of 100.0 Hz Get reminders on your mobile,
Yahoo! Messenger, and email.
Edit reminder options <http://groups.yahoo.com/group/nfares/cal?v=75>
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# 1650. NFARES Sunday Night Net - Digital Practice Session

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2012-08-17 13:18:34 UTC
From: w4uoc@aol.com
Topic: 1650  Message: 1650

Immediately following the Sunday Night NFARES Nets (see details below), we will be having digital message handling training. This includes the installation and setup of the (free) software programs Fldigi, Flwrap and Flmsg.

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Join us to learn or brush up on using digital message handling.

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2012 Time: 8:30 pm - 9:30 pm Location: 147.060 MHz (plus 600kHz) PL 100.0. Backup is 145.470 MHz (minus 600 kHz) PL 100.0 Notes: Please remember that both repeaters now require a PL tone of 100.0 Hz Get reminders on your mobile, Yahoo! Messenger, and email.
_Edit reminder options_ (http://groups.yahoo.com/group/nfares/cal?v=75)

# 1651. North Fulton ARES Net, 8/19/2012, 8:30 pm

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2012-08-18 00:30:45 UTC
From: nfares@yahoogroups.com
Topic: 1651  Message: 1651

Reminder from: nfares Yahoo! Group
http://groups.yahoo.com/group/nfares/cal

North Fulton ARES Net
Sunday August 19, 2012
8:30 pm - 9:30 pm
Location: 147.060 MHz (plus 600kHz) PL 100.0. Backup is 145.470 MHz (minus 600 kHz) PL 100.0

Notes:
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# 1652. Re: North Fulton County ARES Meeting, 8/14/2012, 7:00 pm

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2012-08-08 14:22:33 UTC
From: Mike
Topic: 1641  Message: 1652

Tom & Mike,

Is this the correct location - or is it going to be at the Brandon Hall School? If so, looks like the automated message needs to be updated. I'd do it but I don't have access!

Mike
KF4UPO

--- In nfares@yahoogroups.com, nfares@yahoogroups.com wrote:
>
> Reminder from: nfares Yahoo! Group
> http://groups.yahoo.com/group/nfares/cal
>
> North Fulton County ARES Meeting
> Tuesday August 14, 2012
> 7:00 pm - 8:30 pm
> Location: Sandy Springs City Council Chambers, Morgan Falls Office Park, 7840 Roswell Road Building 500, Sandy Springs, GA 30350
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# 1653. QST Page 72

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2012-08-18 21:54:14 UTC
From: w4uoc@aol.com
Topic: 1653  Message: 1653
Attachments: 1 described; binary payloads are missing from this source WARC

Brett N4BTA and Stuart AK4EX

Look at page 72 in the latest QST

# 1654. Sunday Night Net for 8/19/2012

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2012-08-20 11:24:50 UTC
From: Wayne
Topic: 1654  Message: 1654

NFARES Sunday Night Net
(12 participants) 2012-08-19 30 mins

KG5WU (NCS) - Wayne Chapman
AA4FA - Dan McKenzie
AK4EX - Stuart Williams
AK4TL - Clyde McClain
KK4DSW - Steve Southerland
KK4EFN - Phil Wolf
KK4EHF - Andrew Howe
KK4JYO - Fred Ackley
N4SEC - Jim Paine
W3WL - Wes Lamboley
W4QO - Jim Stafford
WK4U - Tim Lemmon

Announcements/comments:
W4QO, Jim - pointed to page 72 of current QST where Bret N4BTA and Stuart AK4EX were in photos showing NFARES participation in the 2011 SET.
N4SEC, Jim - reminded us of the NFARL club meeting this Tuesday night.
W4QO, Jim - inquired about SET sign-ups.
KG5WU, Wayne - announced the Digital Training net would start right after this net.

# 1655. Sign up for Oct. 14 SET tonight at NFARL meeting

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2012-08-21 16:15:38 UTC
From: Jim Stafford
Topic: 1655  Message: 1655

Tom Koch, Dave Brackett, and I will be "recruiting" for
the *Simulated Emergency Test on Oct. 14*, _*tonight at
the meeting. *_ No experience necessary!

NFARL has always been a big supporter
of the ARES and the S.E.T. On a quality scale, North
Fulton was in the top 5% of the country in last year's
SET. This is the kind of thing that NFARL really gets
into! As a tribute to our effort, look at page 72 in
the Sept. QST for a couple pix of our members from
last year.

http://www.nxtbook.com/nxtbooks/arrl/qst_201209/index.php#/84

Help us (again) this year by signing up *tonight*
and at future events up thru Oct. 14. ARES membership is
not required and we really need new hams to help us!

_*Digital*_ will play an ever increasing role. Don't know
how this can work? Sign up and find out
*- improve your digital skills in the process!*

--
Jim Stafford W4QO EM74tb Roswell, GA USA

# 1656. FOR SALE ICOM-718

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2012-08-27 17:20:29 UTC
From: w4uoc@aol.com
Topic: 1656  Message: 1656

FOR SALE ICOM-718 AND MATCHING POWER SUPPLY. $550.00

SPECIFICATIONS
Type: Amateur HF transceiver Frequency range: TX: 10-160 m + WARC
RX: 0.030-30 MHz Mode: AM/SSB/CW RF Power output: AM: 2-40 W
SSB/CW: 5-100 W
Original box and manual. I am selling this from an estate. I have had it
on the air and it works fine.

Tom Koch - W4UOC
8170 Habersham Waters Road
Sandy Springs, GA 30350
404-314-6109

# 1657. ICOM 718 - IS SOLD

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2012-08-27 18:50:53 UTC
From: w4uoc@aol.com
Topic: 1657  Message: 1657

ICOM 718 - IS SOLD

# 1658. North Fulton ARES Net August 26, 2012 - 08:30 EDT

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2012-08-27 20:03:46 UTC
From: w4uoc@aol.com
Topic: 1658  Message: 1658

North Fulton ARES Net
August 26, 2012 - 08:30 PM EDT
147.06

W4UOC - TOM NCS
AA4FA - DAN
AK4EX - STUART
KD9RU - DAVE AIKEN, SC
KK4JYO - FRED
W4QO - JIM
KC4QEJ - JERRY
WK4U - TIM
AK4TU - CLYDE
KE4QLLH - DAVID

Net closed at 08:55 EDT

Digital Training Net followed with the following stations AT 9:00 PM EDT:

W4UOC - TOM
KK4JYO - FRED
WK4U - TIM
W4QO - JIM
KG5WU - WAYNE
AK4EX - STUART

# 1659. North American Mission Board - Disaster Relief - Activation

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2012-08-29 00:14:08 UTC
From: w4uoc@aol.com
Topic: 1659  Message: 1659

I have been asked to set up the amateur radio station Wednesday, at the North American Mission Board, Disaster Relief Operations Center starting about 10:00 a.m. The NAMB is located about 400 yards south of the intersection of Old Milton Hwy and North Point Parkway.

If you are interested in helping with setting up the station equipment call or text me at 404-314-6109 and I will get back to you with the procedure to gain access to the facility. This station will be utilized to contact Disaster Relief volunteers deployed to areas needing support as a result of the recent tropical storms in the Gulf Coast areas.

Tom Koch - W4UOC
EC - North Fulton ARES
_w4uoc@..._ (mailto:w4uoc@...)
404-314-6109

# 1660. North Fulton ARES Net, 9/2/2012, 8:30 pm

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2012-09-01 20:30:41 UTC
From: nfares@yahoogroups.com
Topic: 1660  Message: 1660

Reminder from: nfares Yahoo! Group
http://groups.yahoo.com/group/nfares/cal

North Fulton ARES Net
Sunday September 2, 2012
8:30 pm - 9:00 pm
Location: 147.06 NFARL repeater (PL 100)

Notes:
Everyone is welcome to check into this net whether a NFARES member or not. Learn some techniques for how to handle emergency situations.

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# 1661. Fwd: UHF and VHF Repeater Improvements Sat 9-01

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2012-09-02 13:08:40 UTC
From: w4uoc@aol.com
Topic: 1661  Message: 1661
Attachments: 2 described; binary payloads are missing from this source WARC

I would like to encourage members of our NFARES organization to set up a radio for the WB4NWS repeater and try to check into the First Sunday Metro ARES net at 4:00 pm on 145.43 -600 107.2 tones for tone squelch. We will have the responsibility to be the Net Control Station for the Metro ARES net in November. For your information this repeater has very good coverage and I can access the repeater from our cabin on the Coosawattee River near Ellijay and it is a very low location behind several hills/mountains. I will be interested in how well you can connect with this repeater.

I will not be available to join the NFARES net on 147.06 this evening as that repeater can not be accessed from this location unless I check in via Echolink.

Tom Koch - EC North Fulton ARES

Subject: re: UHF and VHF Repeater Improvements Sat 9-01

Hi everyone. I wanted to share some outstanding repeater improvements that were made today on the WA4EOC repeater, 443.075 + offset, tone 107.2 (encode only), located on Pine Log Mtn in Waleska, and the WB4NWS repeater, 145.430 - minus offset, tone-squelch (encode and decode) of 107.2, located on Mt. Oglethorpe in Jasper, GA.

With this new VHF repeater, new exciting changes have taken place. The first is an excellent quality analog (ham) repeater is in place, and the second is the addition of superb digital quality, using APCO P25 technology for our use also. Tests were conducted on both analog and digital P25 voice modes today with outstanding results. With this repeater upgrade, one can continue to enjoy both normal analog ham repeater use and a few ham’s that have P25 digital capable radios (primarily Motorola) can now utilize possibly the FIRST P25 Digital VHF repeater in Georgia (unless someone knows of another one). Florida has quite a few.

NOTE: All ham radios, mobiles, base, and HT’s (walkie-talkies) must ensure that you program your VHF radio with CTCSS/PL tone of 107.2hz on both encode and decode for the 145.430 repeater, sometimes displayed as TSQL (tone squelch) on your display. This is no change in what our TAC 1 Cherokee ARES Frequency has been published.
The reason you need to ensure this programming is correct, is so you won’t hear the data (P25) transmission (which sounds like a data modem), when another ham is using the P25 mode. The repeater is programmed that should an analog (normal ham transmission) occur during a P25 transmission, the analog signal takes precedence (observed today) and drops the P25 conversation. The P25 user can hear the analog transmission. The Digital clarity of P25 mode is remarkable...

Lastly, we did install a linked radio to allow the WA4EOC UHF repeater on Pine Log to be linked (via remote, turn on/off) to the WB4NWS VHF repeater on Mt. Oglethorpe. We still have to make some small audio adjustments and will advise when we complete the tweaks this coming week. What this allows our groups to do is have an even wider coverage area utilizing both the UHF and VHF repeaters during nets, severe weather, etc.
I have attached a couple of pictures, one is the Motorola cabinet with the new amp installed on top and the other is the Motorola Quantar. Stay tuned and check out the signals on both repeaters.

Jim Millsap
WB4NWS

# 1662. Metro ARES Net - Sunday Sept 2 - 4:00 p.m.

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2012-09-02 13:11:48 UTC
From: w4uoc@aol.com
Topic: 1662  Message: 1662

Don’t forget to check in to our monthly Metro ARES net Sunday at 4pm on 145.430 (-) 107.2, encode/decode (TSQL) or Echolink node WB4NWS-R. Cobb County has the Metro Net for September 2nd.

September - Cobb County

October - Newton County
November - North Fulton County
December - DEC or ADEC-Metro

# 1663. How about checking 145.47 during the net tonight for check ins..

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2012-09-02 17:22:49 UTC
From: Jim Stafford
Topic: 1663  Message: 1663

I'm in Nashville this week.  Tried to connect to 147.06 last night as a test but could not get a connect.  Would it be possible to check 145.47 tonight at the end of check ins or send someone over to .47 to pick me up IF I still can't get into .06 which I'll try first.

W4QO Jim Stafford Past EC Broward County FLA :)

# 1664. NFARES Net Sunday Sept 2nd

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2012-09-02 22:34:37 UTC
From: w4uoc@aol.com
Topic: 1664  Message: 1664

I forgot that the Echolink is down for the NFARES net this evening and I will not be able to check in via N4SBD-R. I also had an email from Jim W4QO and he requested that we also monitor 145.47 so he can check in from TN. via echolink. I think Jim Paine would like that as well, while he is in Florida. Steve Sourtherland might check in on 145.47 NF4GA-R as well.

1. Could someone link 145.47 and 147.06 just for the 8:30 p.m. net?

2. I can't help with the digital FLdigi training via echolink from the cabin and wondered if someone, comfortable with Fldigi would work with the stations needing some training or testing of their systems.

I will try to check in on 145.47 via echolink tonight.

73

Tom Koch - W4UOC

# 1665. NFARES Sunday Night Net for 2012-09-02

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2012-09-03 14:28:12 UTC
From: Wayne
Topic: 1665  Message: 1665

NFARES Sunday Night Net
(14 participants) 2012-09-02 30 mins

KG5WU (NCS) - Wayne Chapman
AD4MC - Mike Cohen
AE4CW - Chuck Catledge
AK4NA - Garry Brass
K4DMN - Darren Nelsen
K4YJI - Bill Reed
KI4DSO - George Lane
KJ4OYR - Will Adams
KJ4YM - Mark Coleman
KK4DSW - Steve Southerland
KK4EFN - Phil Wolf
N4SEC - Jim Paine
W4UOC - Tom Koch
W5JR - Mike Roden

# 1666. North Fulton ARES Net, 9/9/2012, 8:30 pm

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2012-09-08 20:30:37 UTC
From: nfares@yahoogroups.com
Topic: 1666  Message: 1666

Reminder from: nfares Yahoo! Group
http://groups.yahoo.com/group/nfares/cal

North Fulton ARES Net
Sunday September 9, 2012
8:30 pm - 9:00 pm
Location: 147.06 NFARL repeater (PL 100)

Notes:
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# 1667. Re: [nfares] North Fulton ARES Net, 9/9/2012, 8:30 pm

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2012-09-08 20:43:56 UTC
From: Mike Cohen
Topic: 1666  Message: 1667

Immediately following our Sunday night NFARES Net, we will continue with a digital message handling net.

Thanks to the great feedback from Wayne, KG5WU, following up on the previous digital training nets, the Fldigi setup instructions, items 9 & 14, have been updated.

See: http://tinyurl.com/Fldigi-Flmsg-Setup

Please join us.

73,
Mike - AD4MC

Mike Cohen
(404) 981-8624

On Sat, Sep 8, 2012 at 4:30 PM, <nfares@yahoogroups.com> wrote:

>
>
> Reminder from: *nfares Yahoo! Group<http://groups.yahoo.com/group/nfares/cal>
> * Title: North Fulton ARES Net Date: Sunday September 9, 2012
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# 1668. North Fulton ARES Meeting, 9/11/2012, 7:00 pm

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2012-09-09 19:00:58 UTC
From: nfares@yahoogroups.com
Topic: 1668  Message: 1668

Reminder from: nfares Yahoo! Group
http://groups.yahoo.com/group/nfares/cal

North Fulton ARES Meeting
Tuesday September 11, 2012
7:00 pm - 9:00 pm
Location: Brandon Hall School - 1701 Brandon Hall Drive Sandy Springs, GA 30350

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# 1669. Re: [nfares] North Fulton ARES Meeting, 9/11/2012, 7:00 pm

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2012-09-09 19:48:05 UTC
From: Mike Cohen
Topic: 1668  Message: 1669

Please join us for this important NFARES meeting. (Yes, they are *ALL
*important
meetings, but we now are only a little more than a month away from
the October 14th SET.) We will be covering details about the SET including
training on message handling using the ICS-213 format.

73,
Mike - AD4MC

Mike Cohen
(404) 981-8624

On Sun, Sep 9, 2012 at 3:00 PM, <nfares@yahoogroups.com> wrote:

>
>
> Reminder from: *nfares Yahoo! Group<http://groups.yahoo.com/group/nfares/cal>
> * Title: North Fulton ARES Meeting Date: Tuesday September 11,
> 2012 Time: 7:00 pm - 9:00 pm Location: Brandon Hall School - 1701
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# 1670. NFARES 09/09/2012 8:30 pm Net Report

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2012-09-10 10:54:05 UTC
From: Wayne
Topic: 1670  Message: 1670

Posting on behalf of AK4EX Stuart

The following operators checked in to the net:

1. KE4QCM Tom
2. N4SEC - Jim (EchoLink)
3. KK4DSW ☐ Steve (EchoLink)
4. AK4NA - Gary
5. K4SQC ☐ John
6. W2FAL ☐ Frank
7. AE4CW ☐ Chuck
8. KK4JYO ☐ Fred
9. KK4EFN - Phil
10. AK4TL ☐ Clyde
11. AD4MC ☐ Mike
12. KG5WU ☐ Wayne
13. AA4FA ☐ Dan
14. KE3EM ☐ Bob
15. K4WSW ☐ Bill
16. N4CUS ☐ John
17. AK4EX - Stuart (Net Control Station)

Comments, discussion or notes:

1. AD4MC Mike - Discussed the upcoming the September 11, 2012 NFARES meeting to be held at Brandon Hall School located on 1701 Brandon Hall Drive at 7:30 pm. (Approximate GPS coordinate is N33.985400°, W 84.298000°). The program will cover the upcoming SET, Repeater Tones and needed antenna work at various locations.

Legend:

Net closed at 8:50 pm

There were 17 Check-ins, including the NCS, during the NFARES 09/09/2012 net. The next scheduled net will be Sunday, September 16, 2012 at 8:30 p.m. local time.

Thanks to all who checked in this evening.

Stuart, AK4EX

# 1671. North Fulton ARES Meeting, Tuesday September 11, 2012, 7:00 pm - 9:00 pm

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2012-09-10 15:06:46 UTC
From: Mike Cohen
Topic: 1671  Message: 1671

If you are even considering sending or receiving digital messages during
the SET, please join us at our Tuesday NFARES Meeting...and bring the PC
that you would be using. We'll help you set it up and send some messages.
We can do this without using radios.

73,
Mike - AD4MC

Mike Cohen
(404) 981-8624

On Sun, Sep 9, 2012 at 3:00 PM, <nfares@yahoogroups.com> wrote:

>
>
> Reminder from: *nfares Yahoo! Group<http://groups.yahoo.com/group/nfares/cal>
> * Title: North Fulton ARES Meeting Date: Tuesday September 11, 2012
> Time: 7:00 pm - 9:00 pm Location: Brandon Hall School - 1701 Brandon Hall
> Drive Sandy Springs, GA 30350 Get reminders on your mobile, Yahoo!
> Messenger, and email.
> Edit reminder options <http://groups.yahoo.com/group/nfares/cal?v=75>
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# 1672. NFARES 2 meter digital training net, Sunday, September 9, 2012

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2012-09-11 01:45:50 UTC
From: MikeC
Topic: 1672  Message: 1672

We had 18 check-ins on the NFARES 2 meter digital training net, Sunday, September 9, 2012 beginning at 8:50PM following the NFARES Net.

AK4EX - Stuart
KE4QCM - Tom
N4SEC - Jim (EchoLink)
KK4DSW ☐ Steve (EchoLink)
AK4NA - Gary
K4SQC ☐ John
W2FAL ☐ Frank
AE4CW ☐ Chuck
N4CUS ☐ John
KK4JYO ☐ Fred
KK4EFN - Phil
AK4TL ☐ Clyde (Mobile)
KG5WU ☐ Wayne
KE3EM ☐ Bob
K4WSW ☐ Bill
W4UOC ☐ Tom
N4TAW - Tom
AD4MC ☐ Mike, NCS

Verified Fldigi transmit and receive audio levels (except mobile and EchoLink stations. However, Jim, N4SEC, confirmed 100% copy on EchoLink in FL !!)

Bravo to all for having the dedication and determination needed to complete these tasks.

The next scheduled digital training net will be Sunday, September 16th immediately following the NFARES Net. This net closed at 10:02 PM.

73,
Mike - AD4MC
404-981-8624

# 1673. For you homebrewers !

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2012-09-11 13:28:12 UTC
From: w4uoc@aol.com
Topic: 1673  Message: 1673

_http://www.n6cc.com/canteen-radio-receiver_
(http://www.n6cc.com/canteen-radio-receiver)

# 1674. NFARES MEETING - SEPT 11, 2012 7:00-9:00 PM

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2012-09-11 13:45:49 UTC
From: w4uoc@aol.com
Topic: 1674  Message: 1674

NFARES MEETING - SEPT 11, 2012 7:00-9:00 PM
Brandon Hall School - 1701 Brandon Hall Drive Sandy Springs, GA 30350

Some are having dinner at Los Rancheros at the corner of Jeff Ferry and Dunwoody Club Drive at 5:30 p.m.

The meeting starts at 7:00 p.m.
The meeting room is in the Middle School Building just behind the Great Hall on the lower level conference room. The NFARES banner will be located at the north side entrance to the school courtyard.

Welcome and Introductions Tom Koch W4UOC

Simulated Emergency Test (SET) Mike Cohen AD4MC

SET Preparation Projects needing completion: Tom Koch - W4UOC
All Sandy Springs sites have radios and antennas
Sandy Springs FS-3 feed line extension
Johns Creek FS-61 feed line extension
Milton – only one station has a usable antenna

Digital Messaging Training using Fldigi/Flmsg Mike Cohen AD4MC / Wayne Chapman AG5WU
Bring your laptop computer if you have Fldigi/Flmsg software loaded.
No radio needed.

# 1675. NFARES Meeting 9/11/12 Fldigi followup

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2012-09-13 01:55:46 UTC
From: Mike Cohen
Topic: 1675  Message: 1675
Attachments: 1 described; binary payloads are missing from this source WARC

We had a record turnout for last night's NFARES meeting - 26 ! We also had the most computers ever at an NFARES meeting (No computer count taken, though. HI HI) , showing your very high interest in digital messaging.

Just to reiterate...The purpose of our SET is to demonstrate that ham radio operators can provide emergency communications...
"When All Else Fails".

Now, if we can enhance our ability to pass messages using digital techniques as well as voice, all the better. As Wayne, KG5WU, reminded everyone last night, you still must be able and willing to pass messages by voice during the SET even if you are proficient at digital messages, since not all volunteers will have digital capabilities. (Hey, some US sailors today still must learn how to use a sextant even though Navy ships are guided with GPS navigation. http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Sextant)

With all that being said, here is some more info as a followup to the Fldigi part of last night's meeting.

Bill, K4WSW, asked for a sound file of a MT-63-2K message. You can listen to the attached file. (Poor quality, but it works. I am not an audiophile.) Using that sound file, here are the screen shots below that show the received Fldigi data, the received Flmsg ICS-213 form, and the received Flmsg ICS-213 HTML screen.

[image: Inline image 2]

[image: Inline image 4]

[image: Inline image 3]

If you carefully looked at the three screen shots, you may have noticed that I misspelled "deployment". ( Not intentionally )
*REMEMBER THAT MIS-STEAKS SIMPLY DON'T COUNT *.

With the Fldigi system set up on both a home computer and laptop, you can send and receive messages acoustically between the two computers without using a radio, like we did last night.

Here's the link to get the Fldigi setup info:
http://tinyurl.com/Fldigi-Flmsg-Setup

That's plenty of information for tonight.

Please continue to join us on the Sunday Night NFARES Nets to get set up and to pick up the fine points of using the Fldigi system.

73,
Mike - AD4MC

Mike Cohen
(404) 981-8624

# 1676. Preparations for the NFARES SET, Sunday, October 14, 2012, 1500L-1800L

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2012-09-14 19:18:45 UTC
From: Mike Cohen
Topic: 1676  Message: 1676
Attachments: 3 described; binary payloads are missing from this source WARC

The 2012 NFARES SET is now one month away.

You will receive all the information from our last NFARES meeting in .PDF and .DOC format about a week before the SET, but to give you a head start, here are some links and files.

To program the frequencies into your radios, go to this link: http://tinyurl.com/NFARES-2012-SET, and find the four tabs at the bottom,

[image: Inline image 1]
Click on Frequencies or Frequency Control to see the full setup. Each station should load in the nine 2M simplex frequencies plus the 147.06 repeater.

Instructions link: *http://tinyurl.com/Station-Instructions-2012*

For sending and receiving messages by voice, you can use the attached *ics213 Form Master.doc*. For voice messages, you can print copies of the *ics213 Form Master* for received messages and copies of your own version of *ics213 Form Master Customized* for messages to be sent. Messages ready to send can look similar to the* **ics213 Form Sample Message*. Note that we will be entering "THIS IS ONLY A DRILL" at the beginning and end of each message instead of "TEST MESSAGE" to further reduce the chance that someone will panic when they read your creative writing.

Since many of the files keep getting updated, I am hesitant to send out all the files to everyone now. Please note that if they change before the SET, it will be important to use *only *the latest version, which is shown on the first page of the modified document.

You do *not* need to use Fldigi during the SET, but if you do use it, thanks to a great suggestion from Wayne, W4CJV, I have updated the Fldigi setup file, http://tinyurl.com/Fldigi-Flmsg-Setup, to include the use of Templates, starting on page 11. Templates enable you to pre-setup your Flmsg ICS-213 Forms with all the information that will be repeated in each message you create. If your typing skills are anything like mine, that is a BIG advantage.

Questions and suggestions are always welcomed.

73,
Mike - AD4MC

Mike Cohen
(404) 981-8624

# 1677. North Fulton ARES Net, 9/16/2012, 8:30 pm

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2012-09-15 20:30:37 UTC
From: nfares@yahoogroups.com
Topic: 1677  Message: 1677

Reminder from: nfares Yahoo! Group
http://groups.yahoo.com/group/nfares/cal

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Sunday September 16, 2012
8:30 pm - 9:00 pm
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# 1678. Test message

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2012-09-17 02:49:13 UTC
From: Darren Nelsen
Topic: 1678  Message: 1678

Testing to see if I'm hitting the reflector.

--
Darren Nelsen, K4DMN
http://k4dmn.com

# 1679. fldigi/flmsg configuration for Mac users

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2012-09-17 03:08:08 UTC
From: Darren Nelsen
Topic: 1679  Message: 1679

Hi Wayne, Mike, and All:

In the instructions for fldigi setup, step 15, Mac users should set the location of flmsg as:

/Applications/flmsg-<version number>.app/Contents/MacOS/flmsg

This will allow FLMSG (and a web browser) to open automatically when receiving fldigi messages.

It's not enough to say:

/Applications/flmsg-<version number>.app

You must have the full Package Contents location:

/Applications/flmsg-<version number>.app/Contents/MacOS/flmsg

(This is not a location that is normally seen when clicking the 'Local flmsg' button. It has to be typed, or copy/pasted, in.)

Mike, can you please add to the instructions doc.

Thanks.

--
Darren Nelsen, K4DMN
http://k4dmn.com

# 1680. NFARES Sunday Night Net for 2012-09-16

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2012-09-17 10:27:30 UTC
From: kg5wu
Topic: 1680  Message: 1680

Posted on behalf of Tom W4UOC

NFARES Sunday Night Net
(22 participants) 2012-09-16 30 mins

W4UOC (NCS) - Tom Koch
AA4FA - Dan McKenzie
AE4CW - Chuck Catledge
AK4CL - Dave Brackett
AK4EX - Stuart Williams
AK4NA - Garry Brass
AK4TL - Clyde McClain
K4DMN - Darren Nelsen
K4GTM - Guy McDonald
K4SQC - John Kludt
K4WSW - Bill Weathers
KE3EM - Bob Gross
KF4UPO - Michael Lozano
KF4ZNG - Gill Maddox
KG5WU - Wayne Chapman
KJ4YM - Mark Coleman
KK4EFN - Phil Wolf
KK4JYO - Fred Ackley
N4CUS - John Dendy
N4SEC - Jim Paine
W2FAL - Frank Lombardi
W4QO - Jim Stafford

# 1681. NFARES Digital Net for 2012-09-16

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2012-09-17 10:28:08 UTC
From: Wayne
Topic: 1681  Message: 1681

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NFARES Digital Net
(14 participants) 2012-09-16 60 mins

KG5WU (NCS) - Wayne Chapman
AK4EX - Stuart Williams
AK4NA - Garry Brass
K4DMN - Darren Nelsen
K4GTM - Guy McDonald
K4SQC - John Kludt
K4WSW - Bill Weathers
KE3EM - Bob Gross
KF4UPO - Michael Lozano
KK4EFN - Phil Wolf
KK4JYO - Fred Ackley
N4SEC - Jim Paine
W4UOC - Tom Koch
WB4QOJ - Lee McDaniel
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# 1682. Re: fldigi/flmsg configuration for Mac users

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2012-09-18 02:26:19 UTC
From: Mike Cohen
Topic: 1679  Message: 1682

This is for Mac users...

Thanks to Darren - K4DMN for creating and testing a method of setting up Fldigi for a Mac.

Darren's instructions are now included on Page 5, Item 15 of:
http://tinyurl.com/Fldigi-Flmsg-Setup

Since I am not a Mac user, I can't help you if you have Mac related questions, but Darren has graciously offered to help. You can contact him at dmnelsen@...

73,
Mike - AD4MC

Mike Cohen
(404) 981-8624

On Sun, Sep 16, 2012 at 11:08 PM, Darren Nelsen <dmnelsen@...> wrote:

> Hi Wayne, Mike, and All:
>
> In the instructions for fldigi setup, step 15, Mac users should set the
> location of flmsg as:
>
> /Applications/flmsg-<version number>.app/Contents/MacOS/flmsg
>
> This will allow FLMSG (and a web browser) to open automatically when
> receiving fldigi messages.
>
> It's not enough to say:
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> /Applications/flmsg-<version number>.app
>
> You must have the full Package Contents location:
>
> /Applications/flmsg-<version number>.app/Contents/MacOS/flmsg
>
>
> (This is not a location that is normally seen when clicking the 'Local
> flmsg' button. It has to be typed, or copy/pasted, in.)
>
> Mike, can you please add to the instructions doc.
>
> Thanks.
>
> --

> Darren Nelsen, K4DMN
> http://k4dmn.com
>
>

# 1683. Fldigi system setup using Linux

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2012-09-18 19:03:11 UTC
From: Mike Cohen
Topic: 1683  Message: 1683

This is for Linux users...

Thanks to *Garry - AK4NA, **garrettbrass@...* for offering to
help you with setting up Fldigi with Linux.

http://tinyurl.com/Fldigi-Flmsg-Setup

73,
Mike - AD4MC

Mike Cohen
(404) 981-8624

# 1684. Female plug needed

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2012-09-18 21:03:53 UTC
From: w4uoc@aol.com
Topic: 1684  Message: 1684
Attachments: 1 described; binary payloads are missing from this source WARC

I am setting up some older Kenwood radios for use at the fire stations and
I am in need of at least one
female power plug. I have attached a picture of the plug. If you have
any in your parts drawer let me know.

Tom Koch - W4UOC
404-314-6109
_w4uoc@..._ (mailto:w4uoc@...)

# 1685. North Fulton ARES Net, 9/23/2012, 8:30 pm

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2012-09-22 20:30:33 UTC
From: nfares@yahoogroups.com
Topic: 1685  Message: 1685

Reminder from: nfares Yahoo! Group
http://groups.yahoo.com/group/nfares/cal

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# 1686. Re: [nfares] North Fulton ARES Net, 9/23/2012, 8:30 pm

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2012-09-23 02:29:10 UTC
From: Mike Cohen
Topic: 1685  Message: 1686

Immediately following our Sunday night NFARES Net, we will continue with a digital message handling net. There is more training available than only making sure you are installed, configured and have tried one message in and one message out. We want to help you become proficient before you deploy on 10/14 at 1500L.

*NOTE: Please DO NOT install the latest versions of the programs until AFTER the SET.*
*
*
*See Item 4 in*: http://tinyurl.com/Fldigi-Flmsg-Setup

73,
Mike - AD4MC

Mike Cohen
(404) 981-8624

On Sat, Sep 22, 2012 at 4:30 PM, <nfares@yahoogroups.com> wrote:

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>
> Reminder from: *nfares Yahoo! Group<http://groups.yahoo.com/group/nfares/cal>
> * Title: North Fulton ARES Net Date: Sunday September 23, 2012
> Time: 8:30 pm - 9:00 pm Location: 147.06 NFARL repeater (PL 100)
> Notes: Everyone is welcome to check into this net whether a NFARES
> member or not. Learn some techniques for how to handle emergency situations.
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# 1687. NFARES 2-meter net, Sunday, September 24, 2012

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2012-09-24 13:33:52 UTC
From: MikeC
Topic: 1687  Message: 1687

We had 19 check-ins on the NFARES 2-meter net, Sunday, September 24, 2012
AD4MC (NCS) - Mike Cohen, BP
AA4FA - Dan McKenzie, BP
AE4CW - Chuck Catledge
AK4EX - Stuart Williams
AK4TL - Clyde McClain, BP
K4SQC - John Kludt
KC4YBO - Steve Knittel, BP
KD9RU - Dave Hazell - EL
KF4UPO - Michael Lozano, BP
KG5WU - Wayne Chapman, BP
KJ4OYR - Will Adams
KK4EFN - Phil Wolf, BP
KK4JYO - Fred Ackley, BP
KK4LOF - Mike Simeneta
KR4MM - Bryan Gay
N4SEC - Jim Paine, BP
W4QO - Jim Stafford, BP
W4UOC - Tom Koch ☐ EC NFARES, BP
WO4MW - Mark Wolozin, BP
BP = Battery Power
EL = EchoLink

Comments:
W4UOC ☐ Tom,
We need additional volunteers for all six cities, particularly for the Sandy Springs Fire Stations # 1 and #2,

The NFARES SET ( Simulated Emergency Test) will be on Sunday, October 14, 3-6PM. Join us at our next NFARES meeting for more information.

We welcome all NFARES members to be NCS at least once per year. The Net Script can be found at nfares.org.

The next scheduled net will be Sunday, August 12th. This net closed at 8:40 PM.

73,
Mike - AD4MC
404-981-8624

# 1688. Re: [nfares] NFARES 2-meter net, Sunday, September 24, 2012

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2012-09-24 13:36:21 UTC
From: Mike Cohen
Topic: 1687  Message: 1688

Correction: The next scheduled net will be Sunday, September 30th. This net closed at 8:47 PM.

73,
Mike - AD4MC

Mike Cohen
(404) 981-8624

On Mon, Sep 24, 2012 at 9:33 AM, MikeC <ad4mc.mike@...> wrote:

> **
>
>
> We had 19 check-ins on the NFARES 2-meter net, Sunday, September 24, 2012
> AD4MC (NCS) - Mike Cohen, BP
> AA4FA - Dan McKenzie, BP
> AE4CW - Chuck Catledge
> AK4EX - Stuart Williams
> AK4TL - Clyde McClain, BP
> K4SQC - John Kludt
> KC4YBO - Steve Knittel, BP
> KD9RU - Dave Hazell - EL
> KF4UPO - Michael Lozano, BP
> KG5WU - Wayne Chapman, BP
> KJ4OYR - Will Adams
> KK4EFN - Phil Wolf, BP
> KK4JYO - Fred Ackley, BP
> KK4LOF - Mike Simeneta
> KR4MM - Bryan Gay
> N4SEC - Jim Paine, BP
> W4QO - Jim Stafford, BP
> W4UOC - Tom Koch – EC NFARES, BP
> WO4MW - Mark Wolozin, BP
> BP = Battery Power
> EL = EchoLink
>
> Comments:
> W4UOC – Tom,
> We need additional volunteers for all six cities, particularly for the
> Sandy Springs Fire Stations # 1 and #2,
>
> The NFARES SET ( Simulated Emergency Test) will be on Sunday, October 14,
> 3-6PM. Join us at our next NFARES meeting for more information.
>
> We welcome all NFARES members to be NCS at least once per year. The Net

> Script can be found at nfares.org.
>
> The next scheduled net will be Sunday, August 12th. This net closed at
> 8:40 PM.
>
> 73,
> Mike - AD4MC
> 404-981-8624
>
>
>

# 1689. NFARES 2 meter digital training net, Sunday, September 23, 2012

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2012-09-24 13:41:07 UTC
From: MikeC
Topic: 1689  Message: 1689

We had 12 check-ins on the NFARES 2 meter digital training net, Sunday, September 23, 2012 beginning at 8:50PM following the NFARES Net.

AD4MC (NCS) - Mike Cohen
AE4CW - Chuck Catledge
AK4EX - Stuart Williams
AK4TL - Clyde McClain
K4SQC - John Kludt
KC4YBO - Steve Knittel
KG5WU - Wayne Chapman
KK4EFN - Phil Wolf
KK4JYO - Fred Ackley
N4SEC - Jim Paine
W4UOC - Tom Koch
WO4MW - Mark Wolozin

Verified Fldigi transmit and receive audio levels and used Flmsg

The next scheduled digital training net will be Sunday, September 30th immediately following the NFARES Net. This net closed at 10:03 PM.

73,
Mike - AD4MC
404-981-8624

# 1690. North Fulton ARES Net, 9/30/2012, 8:30 pm

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2012-09-29 20:30:25 UTC
From: nfares@yahoogroups.com
Topic: 1690  Message: 1690

Reminder from: nfares Yahoo! Group
http://groups.yahoo.com/group/nfares/cal

North Fulton ARES Net
Sunday September 30, 2012
8:30 pm - 9:00 pm
Location: 147.06 NFARL repeater (PL 100)

Notes:
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# 1691. Re: [nfares] North Fulton ARES Net, 9/30/2012, 8:30 pm

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2012-09-30 02:57:40 UTC
From: Mike Cohen
Topic: 1690  Message: 1691

Immediately following our Sunday night NFARES Net, we will continue with a digital message handling net. There is more training available than only making sure that you have installed, configured and tried one message in and one message out. We want to help you become proficient before you deploy on 10/14 at 1500L.

*NOTE: Please DO NOT install the latest versions of the programs until AFTER the SET.*
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*See Item 4 in*: http://tinyurl.com/Fldigi-Flmsg-Setup

73,
Mike - AD4MC

Mike Cohen
(404) 981-8624

On Sat, Sep 29, 2012 at 4:30 PM, <nfares@yahoogroups.com> wrote:

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> Reminder from: *nfares Yahoo! Group<http://groups.yahoo.com/group/nfares/cal>
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# 1692. New file uploaded to nfares

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2012-09-30 23:31:56 UTC
From: nfares@yahoogroups.com
Topic: 201  Message: 1692

Hello,

This email message is a notification to let you know that
a file has been uploaded to the Files area of the nfares
group.

File : /flmsg-1.1.23_setup.exe
Uploaded by : mike_ad4mc <ad4mc.mike@...>
Description : Flmsg 1.1.23 Setup

You can access this file at the URL:
http://groups.yahoo.com/group/nfares/files/flmsg-1.1.23_setup.exe

To learn more about file sharing for your group, please visit:
http://help.yahoo.com/l/us/yahoo/groups/original/members/web/index.html
Regards,

mike_ad4mc <ad4mc.mike@...>

# 1693. NFARES Digital Net, Sunday night, 2012-09-30

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2012-10-01 11:17:34 UTC
From: Wayne
Topic: 1693  Message: 1693

NFARES Digital Net
(12 participants) 2012-09-30 60 mins

KG5WU (NCS) - Wayne Chapman

AD4MC - Mike Cohen
AE4CW - Chuck Catledge
AK4EX - Stuart Williams
AK4NA - Garry Brass
K4SQC - John Kludt
KK4DSW - Steven Southerland
KK4EFN - Phil Wolf
KK4FOF - Mark Schumann
KK4JYO - Fred Ackley
N4SEC - Jim Paine
W4UOC - Tom Koch

We've had some very good sessions. Lots of participation. Lots of learning. I think we'll be ready!!

Just a reminder: We have one more Sunday net and one more NFARES meeting before the SET. Plenty of time to do more practice.

Thanks all !

73 de Wayne / kg5wu

# 1694. Cherokee ARES Net tonight-8pm 145.430 - 107.2 and SET Discussion

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2012-10-01 21:51:33 UTC
From: w4uoc@aol.com
Topic: 1694  Message: 1694

NFARES MEMBERS

I would encourage an many of you as can to check into the Cherokee County ARES net this evening to learn about the upcoming Georgia ARES Simulated Emergency Test that will be conducted on October 6, 2012 from approximately 9:00 am till noon. More information pertaining to this "Pandemic Exercise" will be discussed. Jim Milsap, WB4NWS will be coordinating this GA ARES SET as it pertains to the metro Atlanta area. I would encourage as many of you as possible to participate in the GA ARES SET on October 6th as possible.

Tom Koch - W4UOC
EC - North Fulton ARES

Please join us for the Cherokee County ARES Net tonight at PM on the WB4NWS repeater, 145.430 minus offset and 107.2hz tone (enc/dec or TSQ on radio).

Tonight’s main discussion will be this Saturday’s, October 6th, Statewide Amateur Radio Simulated Emergency Test (SET). This year’s SET will be centered around a Pandemic and how Amateur Radio Emergency Communication response would assist at Points of Distribution (PODS), Regional Hospitals, Emergency Management Agency (EMA) ham stations at EOC’s, etc.

Specifically, the WB4NWS repeater listed above, will be used as a Command Net for Metro Atlanta District ARES and for hospitals from Grady in Atlanta to all Regional Hospitals in the Northeast and Northwest GA areas to pass traffic and check in to the net. The 145.430 repeater has excellent coverage and we really want to test the hospital capabilities with this repeater.

Cherokee ARES will also have a tactical nets on 443.075, + 5mhz, tone 107.2 encode only and also the KG4VUB repeater on 145.270 minus offset, tone 100.0hz enc/dec.

A comprehensive COMM Plan will be distributed by Tuesday evening with ICS 217 and 205 forms attached.

The GA ARES Digital net will be held at 10am on Saturday on 7.073mhz, USB, centered on 1000 and PSK31 mode.

# 1695. GA ARES Digital Net Changes

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2012-10-02 13:01:38 UTC
From: w4uoc@aol.com
Topic: 1695  Message: 1695

In an effort to save time for the upcoming SET (and going forward for future nets), and to disseminate information quickly (we are communicators!), this information goes to all members and surrounding SE Division Section Managers. After seeing results of prior psk digital nets, the following changes are effective immediately:
Georgia ARES Digital Net Frequencies (revised OCT.2012)

1. Primary GA ARES Digital Net 7.073 USB centered on 1000, PSK31 mode to start, then change to PSK125 to send larger messages (i.e. traffic with ARRL radiogram, ICS 213, using FLMSG)

2. Secondary GA ARES Digital Net 3.583 USB centered on 1000, PSK31 mode and others as instructed
The thought here is to address limitations for placing an 80 meter antenna at approximately 130.5 feet long (3.583), to a 40 meter antenna at 66.1 feet (7.073), total length. More folks would be able to place a smaller antenna up in the air and signal quality has proven to be much better on 40 meters. Recognizing that 40 meter signals can “go long” on rare occasions, we kept 80 meters as a back up. The faster speeds of psk125 and others should provide better signal quality on the 40 meter frequency as well.

Jim Millsap WB4NWS will be Net Control and set up on 7.073 USB, centered on 1000 and start taking checkins in PSK31 mode on Saturday, October 6, 2012, at 10:00am. Please check in and prepare to handle traffic as needed. Jim will also be using FLMSG to send/receive ICS forms and ARRL Radiograms in conjunction with FLDIGI program.
This information from Jim Millsap with support of Charles Pennington K4GK Section Traffic Manager

Jim Millsap-WB4NWS
GA ARES Digital Net Manager
770-355-0480 (cell)

# 1696. NFARES 2-meter net, Sunday, September 30, 2012

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2012-10-05 20:44:44 UTC
From: mike_ad4mc
Topic: 1696  Message: 1696

NFARES Sunday Night Net
(18 participants) 2012-09-30 30 mins

AD4MC (NCS) - Mike Cohen

AE4CW - Chuck Catledge
AK4EX - Stuart Williams
AK4NA - Garry Brass
K4SQC - John Kludt
KG5WU - Wayne Chapman
KJ4OYR - Will Adams
KK4DSW - Steven Southerland
KK4EFN - Phil Wolf
KK4FOF - Mark Schumann
KK4JYO - Fred Ackley
KK4LJG - Mike Birmingham
N4MSS - Mark Stark
N4SEC - Jim Paine
W2FAL - Frank Lombardi
W4QO - Jim Stafford
W4UOC - Tom Koch
WB4SQ - Gary McConville

73,
Mike - AD4MC

Mike Cohen
(404) 981-8624

# 1697. North Fulton ARES Net, 10/7/2012, 8:30 pm

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2012-10-06 20:30:21 UTC
From: nfares@yahoogroups.com
Topic: 1697  Message: 1697

Reminder from: nfares Yahoo! Group
http://groups.yahoo.com/group/nfares/cal

North Fulton ARES Net
Sunday October 7, 2012
8:30 pm - 9:00 pm
Location: 147.06 NFARL repeater (PL 100)

Notes:
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# 1698. Re: [nfares] North Fulton ARES Net, 10/7/2012, 8:30 pm

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2012-10-06 21:16:12 UTC
From: Mike Cohen
Topic: 1697  Message: 1698

Immediately following our Sunday night NFARES Net, we will continue with a digital message handling net. There is more training available than only making sure you are installed, configured and have tried one message in and one message out. We want to help you become proficient before you deploy on 10/14 at 1500L.

*NOTE: Please DO NOT install the latest versions of the programs until AFTER the SET.*
*
*
*See Item 4 in*: http://tinyurl.com/Fldigi-Flmsg-Setup

73,
Mike - AD4MC

Mike Cohen
(404) 981-8624

On Sat, Oct 6, 2012 at 4:30 PM, <nfares@yahoogroups.com> wrote:

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> Reminder from: *nfares Yahoo! Group<http://groups.yahoo.com/group/nfares/cal>
> * Title: North Fulton ARES Net Date: Sunday October 7, 2012 Time:
> 8:30 pm - 9:00 pm Location: 147.06 NFARL repeater (PL 100) Notes: Everyone
> is welcome to check into this net whether a NFARES member or not. Learn
> some techniques for how to handle emergency situations. Get reminders
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Policy<http://privacy.yahoo.com/privacy/us>
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# 1699. North Fulton ARES Meeting, 10/9/2012, 7:00 pm

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2012-10-07 19:01:18 UTC
From: nfares@yahoogroups.com
Topic: 1699  Message: 1699

Reminder from: nfares Yahoo! Group
http://groups.yahoo.com/group/nfares/cal

North Fulton ARES Meeting
Tuesday October 9, 2012
7:00 pm - 9:00 pm
Location: Brandon Hall School - 1701 Brandon Hall Drive Sandy Springs, GA 30350

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# 1700. Preparations for the NFARES SET, Sunday, October 14, 2012, 1500L-1800L

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2012-10-07 19:30:47 UTC
From: Mike Cohen
Topic: 1676  Message: 1700
Attachments: 5 described; binary payloads are missing from this source WARC

2012 NFARES SET Team,

*The 2012 NFARES SET is now one week away.*

Please come to our NFARES meeting, Tuesday, October 9th, at the Brandon Hall School, 1701 Brandon Hall Drive, Sandy Springs, 30350-3799. The meeting starts at 7:00 PM. I'll send you directions if you need them. We'll review the SET information at our meeting and will try to answer any questions that you have.

If you are bringing a PC, you can save the attached files. If you are not bringing a PC, you should print and bring them with you for the SET.

1. 2012 Station Instructions rev 10-1-12
2. 2012 Active Locations & Volunteers rev 10-5-12
3. 2012 SET Frequencies rev 9-30-12 (These are the frequencies to program into your radios)
4. 2012 SET Frequency Control rev 9-30-12
5. 2012 Message Log Form rev 9-15-12 (This is an .xls file that you can print or use with a PC)
6. ics213 Form Master (This is a .doc file that you can print or use with a PC)
7. ics213 Form Master Customized
8. ics213-Form-Sample-Message
9. IC & AIC Simulated Drill Messages

For voice messages, you can print copies of your own version of *ics213 Form Master Customized* for messages to be sent or received. Messages ready to send can look similar to the* **ics213 Form Sample Message*. Note that we will be entering "THIS IS ONLY A DRILL" at the beginning and end of each message to reduce the chance that someone will panic when they read your creative writing.

You do *not* need to use Fldigi during the SET, but if you do use it, check the setup file link: http://tinyurl.com/Fldigi-Flmsg-Setup.

Questions and suggestions are always welcomed...before and after the SET.

Remember that mis-steakes simply don't count, so just do the best you can.

Good luck and have fun. Thank you for helping.

73,
Mike - AD4MC

Mike Cohen
(404) 981-8624__

# 1701. S.E.T., 10/14/2012, 3:00 pm

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2012-10-08 15:00:57 UTC
From: nfares@yahoogroups.com
Topic: 1701  Message: 1701

Reminder from: nfares Yahoo! Group
http://groups.yahoo.com/group/nfares/cal

S.E.T.
Sunday October 14, 2012
3:00 pm - 6:00 pm
Location: 147.06 (PL100) repeater

Notes:
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see ad4mc.mike@... to participate.

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# 1702. NFARES 2-meter net, Sunday, October 7, 2012

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2012-10-08 15:09:17 UTC
From: MikeC
Topic: 1702  Message: 1702

We had 22 check-ins on the NFARES 2-meter net, Sunday, October 7, 2012

AD4MC (NCS) ☐ Mike, Sandy Springs, BP
AA4FA ☐ Dan, Dunwoody, BP
AK4EX ☐ Stuart, Sandy Springs
AK4NA ☐ Garry, Roswell
AK4TL ☐ Clyde, Highlands, NC, EL
K4DMN ☐ Darren, Roswell, BP
K4SQC ☐ John, Johns Creek
K4WSW ☐ Bill, Alpharetta
KE3EM ☐ Bob, Roswell
KF4UPO ☐ Mike, Emory Johns Creek Hospital
KG5WU ☐ Wayne, S. Cobb, BP
KJ4OYR ☐ Will, Roswell
KJ4YM ☐ Mark, E. Cobb
KK4EFN ☐ Phil, Johns Creek
KK4IDA ☐ Chris, Kennesaw
KK4JYO ☐ Fred, Roswell, BP
KK4LJG ☐ Mike, E. Cobb
N3IR ☐ Jacob, Kennesaw
N4SEC ☐ Jim, Alpharetta, BP
W2FAL ☐ Frank, Sandy Springs
W4HAL ☐ Hal, Sandy Springs
WO4MW ☐ Mark, Sandy Springs

BP = Battery Power
EL = EchoLink

Comments:
KG5WU,
We need additional volunteers for the Atlanta Marathon on October 28th and the ½ Marathon on Thanksgiving Day. Contact kg5wu@... for more details.

The NFARES SET (Simulated Emergency Test) will be on Sunday, October 14, 3-6PM. Join us at our next NFARES meeting, Tuesday October 9th for more information.

We welcome all NFARES members to be NCS at least once per year. The Net Script can be found at nfares.org.

The next scheduled net will be Sunday, October 14th. This net closed at 8:56 PM.

73,
Mike - AD4MC
404-981-8624

# 1703. Radio Mobile

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2012-10-08 15:14:34 UTC
From: ak4cl@att.net
Topic: 1703  Message: 1703

I just found an impressive software package for planning local communications via amateur radio. www.g3tvu.co.uk/Radio_Mobile
73-Dave AK4CL

# 1704. W4BTI Module B (70 cm) D-Star Repeater Frequency Change

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2012-10-08 18:40:57 UTC
From: JP OConnor
Topic: 1704  Message: 1704

For immediate release.

W4BTI D-Star 70 cm repeater NEW Frequency: 440.6875+ (Was 440.6850)

Shortly after 11:30 am EDT (1530z) today (Mon 08 Oct 2012) we will un-link the W4BTI D-Star Module B (70 cm) repeater from Reflector 30-C, turn off the repeater, change the repeater's frequency to correct a coordination error, and perform a small amount of additional maintenance. We will also test the 1.2 gHz D-Star data module D (1298.5000 simplex). We anticipate being off the air for about 30 minutes or so. Voice announcements will be made before and after the shutdown and frequency change.

Sorry for the last minute notice. Things moved quickly.

Please pass the word.

John and I will get the repeater listed in the public directories (dstarinfo.com and dstarusers.org) later this week. We held off making the listings until the frequency change.

JP O'Connor
WF4Z

# 1705. Re: [nfares] North Fulton ARES Meeting, 10/9/2012, 7:00 pm

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2012-10-08 19:31:30 UTC
From: Mike Cohen
Topic: 1699  Message: 1705

We'll go over the SET information that you received on Sunday and try to answer any questions that you have.

For those of you who are planning to use FLDIGI, we should have some time to do some practice. Bring the PC that you will be using for the SET (HT optional).

73,
Mike - AD4MC

Mike Cohen
(404) 981-8624

On Sun, Oct 7, 2012 at 3:01 PM, <nfares@yahoogroups.com> wrote:

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# 1706. Atlanta Marathon

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2012-10-10 15:06:01 UTC
From: ak4cl@att.net
Topic: 1706  Message: 1706

I'm still looking for more volunteers for these events (Marathon on Oct 28) as well as the Half Marathon on Thanksgiving Day (Nov 22). If you know someone who might enjoy volunteering, would you please send them my way? They can either sign-up online at these links or email me directly.

Marathon: <http://www.doitsports.com/volunteer2/info.tcl?job_id=54220354>

Half Marathon: <http://www.doitsports.com/volunteer2/info.tcl?job_id=24976808>

Please contact David Ziskind KE4QLH (ke4qlh@...)

# 1707. S.E.T., 10/14/2012, 3:00 pm

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2012-10-12 15:00:56 UTC
From: nfares@yahoogroups.com
Topic: 1701  Message: 1707

Reminder from: nfares Yahoo! Group
http://groups.yahoo.com/group/nfares/cal

S.E.T.
Sunday October 14, 2012
3:00 pm - 6:00 pm
Location: 147.06 (PL100) repeater

Notes:
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# 1708. North Fulton ARES Net, 10/14/2012, 8:30 pm

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2012-10-13 20:30:18 UTC
From: nfares@yahoogroups.com
Topic: 1708  Message: 1708

Reminder from: nfares Yahoo! Group
http://groups.yahoo.com/group/nfares/cal

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Sunday October 14, 2012
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# 1709. Roswell Area Repeater - 147.06

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2012-10-14 14:27:14 UTC
From: w4uoc@aol.com
Topic: 1709  Message: 1709

The tones for the Roswell Area Repeater - 147.06 + have been turned off for the duration of the NFARES Simulated Emergency Test (SET) scheduled for today Oct 14, 2012 from approximately 1500-1800 hrs local time. We will also have brief wrap up review of the SET during the regularly scheduled NFARES net on the same repeater at 8:30 p.m. ARES and non ARES members are encouraged to join the NFARES net this evening to learn the results of this exercise.

Tom Koch - W4UOC
EC - North Fulton ARES

# 1710. Re: [nfares] North Fulton ARES Net, 10/14/2012, 8:30 pm

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2012-10-14 22:17:21 UTC
From: Mike Cohen
Topic: 1708  Message: 1710

We will have a preliminary review of the 2012 SET immediately following the net tonight instead of having digital training. Fantastic job *everyone*!!!

73,
Mike - AD4MC

Mike Cohen
(404) 981-8624

On Sat, Oct 13, 2012 at 4:30 PM, <nfares@yahoogroups.com> wrote:

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> Reminder from: *nfares Yahoo! Group<http://groups.yahoo.com/group/nfares/cal>
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# 1711. Re: [nfares] North Fulton ARES Net, 10/14/2012, 8:30 pm

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2012-10-14 22:26:18 UTC
From: WB4SQ@yahoo.com
Topic: 1708  Message: 1711

Gary McConville = WB4SQ

Sent from my iPad

On Oct 14, 2012, at 6:17 PM, Mike Cohen <ad4mc.mike@...> wrote:

> We will have a preliminary review of the 2012 SET immediately following the net tonight instead of having digital training. Fantastic job everyone !!!
>
> 73,
> Mike - AD4MC
>
> Mike Cohen
> (404) 981-8624
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> On Sat, Oct 13, 2012 at 4:30 PM, <nfares@yahoogroups.com> wrote:
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# 1712. NFARES 2-meter net, Sunday, October 14, 2012

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2012-10-15 21:12:14 UTC
From: MikeC
Topic: 1712  Message: 1712

We had 26 check-ins on the NFARES 2-meter net, Sunday, October 14, 2012

AD4MC (NCS) ☐ Mike, Sandy Springs, BP
AK4EX - Stuart, Sandy Springs
AK4NA ☐ Garry, Roswell
AK4TL ☐ Clyde, Dunwoody, BP
K4DMN ☐ Darren, Roswell, BP
K4SQC ☐ John, Johns Creek
K4WSW ☐ Bill, Alpharetta, BP
KD9RU ☐ Dave, Milton, BP
KE3EM ☐ Bob, Roswell
KG5WU ☐ Wayne, South Cobb, BP
KJ4OYR ☐ Will, Roswell
KK4EFN ☐ Phil, Johns Creek
KK4JYO ☐ Fred, Roswell, BP
KK4LJG ☐ Mike, East Cobb
KK4LOE ☐ Nelson, Cherokee County
KK4LZV ☐ Rob, Relay
KK4LZW ☐ Chris, Relay
N4BTA ☐ Bret, Alpharetta, BP
N4MSS ☐ Mike, Holly Springs
N4SEC ☐ Jim, Alpharetta, BP
W2FAL ☐ Frank, Sandy Springs
W4CJV ☐ Wayne, Alpharetta, BP
W4UOC ☐ Tom, Sandy Springs, BP
W5JR ☐ Mike, Milton Moble
W6GB ☐ Gary, Milton
WO4MW ☐ Mark, Sandy Springs, BP

BP = Battery Power
EL = EchoLink

Comments:
SET discussion followed Net
Join us at our next NFARES meeting, Tuesday November 13th for a detailed SET review.

We welcome all NFARES members to be NCS at least once per year. The Net Script can be found at nfares.org.

The next scheduled net will be Sunday, October 21st. This net closed at 9:45 PM.

73,
Mike - AD4MC
404-981-8624

# 1713. Fldigi updates

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2012-10-16 01:34:21 UTC
From: Mike Cohen
Topic: 1713  Message: 1713

Just updated the fldigi files and instructions to *fldigi-3.21.56
setup<http://www.w1hkj.com/downloads/fldigi/fldigi-3.21.56_setup.exe>,
flmsg-1.1.27 setup<http://www.w1hkj.com/downloads/flmsg/flmsg-1.1.27_setup.exe>
* The biggest improvement I've seen so far is that Templates now work in
flmsg. Haven't sent or received any messages yet. Anyone up for testing
it out?

http://tinyurl.com/Fldigi-Flmsg-Setup

73,
Mike - AD4MC

Mike Cohen
(404) 981-8624

# 1714. 2012 NFARES SET October 14, 3-6 PM PHOTOS

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2012-10-16 17:27:41 UTC
From: Mike Cohen
Topic: 1714  Message: 1714

You can view the 2012 NFARES SET photos at:

http://groups.yahoo.com/group/nfares/photos/album/1445747810/pic/list

Let me know if you have a problem viewing them.

As you send me your photos, I'll upload them to the album. It would be a big help if you would rename the photos to include the locations, names and callsigns of the people in the pictures.

Thanks & Enjoy !!

73,
Mike - AD4MC

Mike Cohen
(404) 981-8624

# 1715. Re: 2012 NFARES SET October 14, 3-6 PM PHOTOS

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2012-10-17 23:25:05 UTC
From: Jim Stafford W4QO
Topic: 1714  Message: 1715

Wow, Great photos. Wish I could have been in on the SET this year.
Really enjoy it! And sounds like another record for NFARES!! jim/w4qo (aka byjimeny)

--- In nfares@yahoogroups.com, Mike Cohen <ad4mc.mike@...> wrote:
>
> You can view the 2012 NFARES SET photos at:
>
> http://groups.yahoo.com/group/nfares/photos/album/1445747810/pic/list
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> Let me know if you have a problem viewing them.
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> As you send me your photos, I'll upload them to the album. It would be a
> big help if you would rename the photos to include the locations, names and
> callsigns of the people in the pictures.
>
> Thanks & Enjoy !!
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> 73,
> Mike - AD4MC
>
> Mike Cohen
> (404) 981-8624
>

# 1716. Emergency need for communications support

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2012-10-19 13:17:31 UTC
From: Jim_Paine
Topic: 1716  Message: 1716

Relay from Tom Koch, W4UOC

THIS IS NOT A DRILL... 9:15 AM Friday 10-19-2012

WE HAVE EXPERIENCED A COMMIUNICATIONS FAILURE FOR THE CITY OF SANDY SPRINGS, JOHNS CREEK AND POSSIBLEY DUNWOODY.

WE NEED TO ACTIVATE THE NORHT FULTON ARES COMMUNICATIONS SYSTEM ON 147.06 TO DIRECT AMATEURS TO GO TO SS FIRE STATIONS 1,2,3,4, SANDY SPRINGS PD HQ.

DIRECTION WILL BE PROVIDED ON 147.06 + REPEATER

THIS IS NOT A DRILL.

# 1717. Communications Assistance Request Now Completed and Canceled

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2012-10-19 15:32:23 UTC
From: Jim_Paine
Topic: 1717  Message: 1717

The Sandy Springs and North Fulton County Public Safety Radio System is now operational and NFARES request for assistance is now canceled. Thank you to all who responded. Within an hour we had half of the requested locations covered which is a credit to the individuals responding and the ARES Group. NFARES requests monitoring the 147.060 Roswell repeater today in case there are reoccurring problems.

Jim N4SEC

# 1718. North Fulton ARES Net, 10/21/2012, 8:30 pm

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2012-10-20 20:30:27 UTC
From: nfares@yahoogroups.com
Topic: 1718  Message: 1718

Reminder from: nfares Yahoo! Group
http://groups.yahoo.com/group/nfares/cal

North Fulton ARES Net
Sunday October 21, 2012
8:30 pm - 9:00 pm
Location: 147.06 NFARL repeater (PL 100)

Notes:
Everyone is welcome to check into this net whether a NFARES member or not. Learn some techniques for how to handle emergency situations.

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# 1719. Amateur radio volunteers needed for Atlanta Marathon on Sunday, October 28, 2012

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2012-10-21 21:04:43 UTC
From: David Ziskind, KE4QLH
Topic: 1719  Message: 1719

CQ CQ CQ...

I am still looking for 9 amateur radio operators to help with communications at the aid stations at the Atlanta Marathon (Sunday, October 28).

Some sample assignment locations are Georgia Tech campus, Turner Field, Atlanta Zoo, Piedmont Park, Peachtree Battle, Lindbergh Drive, and Peachtree and 25th St.

Assignments vary in length but are generally between 3 and 5 hours. Some sample times are 5:30-8:30am, 6:30-9:30am, 7-10am, and 8am-1pm. That second number is the end time, so for example, you could come help out at 6:30am and leave at 9:30am to get back to your family. Or, come spend the morning part of the day with us. Bring your family if you'd like!

Please consider helping out with this. You can sign up online at this link: <http://www.doitsports.com/volunteer2/info.tcl?job_id=54220354>
Or if you have any questions, please email me at ke4qlh@....

73,
David Ziskind KE4QLH

# 1720. NFARES Sunday Night Net for 2012-10-21

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2012-10-22 12:55:22 UTC
From: Wayne
Topic: 1720  Message: 1720

NFARES Sunday Night Net
(12 participants) 2012-10-21 30 mins
KG5WU (NCS) - Wayne Chapman
AA4FA - Dan McKenzie
AD4MC - Mike Cohen
AK4EX - Stuart Williams
AK4NA - Garry Brass
AK4TL - Clyde McClain
K4SQC - John Kludt
K4WSW - Bill Weathers
KJ4OYR - Will Adams
KK4EFN - Phil Wolf
W4HAL - Hal Hubschman
W4UOC - Tom Koch

W4UOC Tom talked about the call-out to support ChattComm that happened this week.
KG5WU Wayne asked for additional volunteers to help support the Atlanta Marathon on Sunday 10/28.

# 1721. 2012 NFARES SET Official Results

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2012-10-24 18:24:32 UTC
From: Mike Cohen
Topic: 1721  Message: 1721
Attachments: 1 described; binary payloads are missing from this source WARC

2012 NFARES SET Team and everyone else who helped during this year's SET,

Thanks to all of you, we have had another successful SET (Simulated Emergency Test).

Although this national event is not a contest, the ARRL does request that we complete a form listing specific accomplishments. The results are now official and have been sent to the ARRL. Last year, we broke all previous records and, this year, we again showed significant improvements. If you check out the attached Form A, you can see what the ARRL considers important and where they even put multipliers on certain items. The "X 3" multiplier is for having newer hams participate (licensed less than five years). Over half (28 out of 51) of our hams were in this category. That's major...for our SET and for our hobby's future.

Last year, we sent 66 messages. This year's number was 114 and 86 of those were digital. They were sent from 27 locations, including police, fire, hospital and EOC (Emergency Operations Center) sites in 6 cities. WOW !!

We have received compliments from the fire and police personnel who were monitoring our SET.

Let's do a review of this SET at the next NFARES meeting on Tuesday, November 13th to discuss not only what we did right, but even more importantly moving forward, what we can do better next year.

Thanks again for all of your support to accomplish this team effort.

73,
Mike - AD4MC

Mike Cohen
(404) 981-8624

# 1722. Fwd: Top Selling Generator On Sale Now + 15 Super Coupons!

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2012-10-25 19:24:49 UTC
From: Chuck Daley
Topic: 1722  Message: 1722

-------- Original Message --------
Subject: Top Selling Generator On Sale Now + 15 Super Coupons!
Date: Thu, 25 Oct 2012 12:00:01 -0700
From: Harbor Freight Tools <mktdelano@...>
Reply-To: mktdelano-reply@...
To: <chuck@...>

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# 1723. North Fulton ARES Net, 10/28/2012, 8:30 pm

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2012-10-27 20:30:43 UTC
From: nfares@yahoogroups.com
Topic: 1723  Message: 1723

Reminder from: nfares Yahoo! Group
http://groups.yahoo.com/group/nfares/cal

North Fulton ARES Net
Sunday October 28, 2012
8:30 pm - 9:00 pm
Location: 147.06 NFARL repeater (PL 100)

Notes:
Everyone is welcome to check into this net whether a NFARES member or not. Learn some techniques for how to handle emergency situations.

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# 1724. Elecraft Enthusiaists Support for the Stone Mountain Hamfest

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2012-10-28 05:10:29 UTC
From: Mike Lozano
Topic: 1724  Message: 1724

Gentlemen,

Sorry for the late notice as I thought that this e-mail went out 2 weeks ago but cannot find it - I must have messed up the e-mail or used the wrong e-mail address. Anyway....

I looking for Owners of Elecraft Equipment to demo their gear at the Stone Mountain Hamfest on 3-4 November, which is now a week away!

Most new owners have KX3s but I'm looking for folks with all types of Elecraft gear - K1, KX1, K2, K3, KX3, K-Line, KPA500 as well as any Mini-Mods [XG2/3, T1, DL1,BL2, CP1, W1, AF1, AT1, N-Gen, 2T-Gen and anything else not specifically listed [did I miss any other product(s)?].

If interested, please contact me at kf4upo@... or (770)596-6055.

Your ticket and lunch will be provided but I have to know as soon as possible to coordinate all the logistics for this event!

Thanks,

Mike
KF4UPO

# 1725. NFARES 10/28/2012 8:30 pm Net Report

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2012-10-29 07:33:25 UTC
From: Wayne
Topic: 1725  Message: 1725

NFARES 10/28/2012 8:30 pm Net Report

The following operators checked in to the net:

1. W4UOC ☐ Tom EC for North Fulton ARES BP
2. KD4KHO ☐ Randy ADEC for Metro-Atlanta Area CP
3. KK4LZW ☐ Chris EL
4. KK4DSW ☐ Steve EL
5. W2FAL ☐ Frank in Sandy Springs CP
6. N4SEC ☐ Jim Mobile BP
7. KK4JYO ☐ Fred in Roswell BP
8. W4QO ☐ Jim in W. Roswell BP
9. AK4TL ☐ Clyde in Dunwoody BP
10. AA4FA ☐ Dan in Dunwoody BP
11. K4GTM ☐ Guy in E. Cobb
12. AD4MC - Mike EL
13. KK4EFN ☐ Phil in Johns Creek BP
14. KF4UPO ☐ Mike Mobile BP
15. AK4EX - Stuart (NCS)

Comments, discussion or notes:

1. W4UOC ☐ Tom, There will be a presentation on Tuesday October 31 at Brandon Hall School for the students on Ham Radio. The students will be making contacts, under the control of a licensed operator, for about 9a.m. to 2pm local on the 145.470 repeater. Available ARES members were invited to make contact with the students during that time
2. W4UOC ☐ Tom , Mentioned the next NFARES meeting will be November 13th at Brandon Hall School located on 1701 Brandon Hall. The program will discuss the results of the October SET
3. W4UOC ☐ Tom, Discussed we need a NCS volunteer for the first Sunday in November for the Atlanta Metro Net. Tom will send out an announcement on the yahoo reflector.

Legend:
BP - Battery Power
CP - Commercial Power
EL ☐ EchoLink
NCS ☐ Net Control Station
Net closed at 8:58 pm

There were 15 Check-ins, including the NCS, during the NFARES 10/28/2012 net. The next scheduled net will be Sunday, November 4, 2012 at 8:30 p.m. local time.

Thanks to all who checked in this evening.

Stuart, AK4EX

# 1726. What's so special about Hurricane Sandy?

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2012-10-29 14:07:28 UTC
From: w4uoc@aol.com
Topic: 1726  Message: 1726

What's so special about Hurricane Sandy?

Forecaster's for years have been fine tuning the information that is provided to the public that help
them determine how dangerous a storm is to the public. This process is still ongoing...

We've seen storms labeled as rain events, wind events and surge events. Typically in the past we've
used the category wind speed to help guide us in predetermining how dangerous a storm will be. It
is the lower category storms 1 and 2 that prove to be the most troublesome in making the public
take heed along with framing the dangers of a storm surge.

Hurricane Sandy is a category 1 storm, which typically would generate minimal amount of damage.
However it is the size that will get your attention. The wind field where tropical force winds (>39mph)
can be felt is 900 x 800 miles oval shaped.

The storm is moving at 14 mph. As it turns inland, the states in its path will experience tropical force
winds for 800miles wide divided by 14mph equals 57 hours or 2 and half days. This long long blow
(and rain) will cause untold power outages. Remember that repair (nor rescue) cant begin until the
winds die down.

Storm surge will cover about 800 miles of coastline with current predicted estimates in some areas as
high 11 feet and 2 feet typical. Tomorrow when the storm turns inland there are two astronomical high
tides (Full moon). New York is closing the subways tonight for fear of flooding. Both New York's
major airports are near water and expect to inundated.

To make matters worse is that an approaching cold weather front from the Arctic will combine forces
and produce a hybrid storm of wind rain and snow and ice. The trees still have their foliage and will
break under the ice and produce more power outages.

The storm will then move back out to sea... another two to three days of high winds, rain, ice snow.

Local electric companies are saying be prepared for upto two weeks outages.

One in three Americans will be directly effected by this storm. This storm has been called a 100 year event.

With power outages comes food shortages. The military is really the only entity that can move material on this scale.

What can you do?

Well there will be long running (MARS) nets in excess of 7days (my guess) that need ears and capabilities that MARS has. Please take some time out of your schedule to help support these nets.
Though we are pretty far south of NVIS coverage to region 1 and 2, normal height antennas may provide some support.
You dont know until you listen.

Lets be prepared to help.

Respectfully,
Robert Rathbone
AAM4EFL / AAR4VU

# 1727. EMP Cruise Missile

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2012-10-29 14:22:16 UTC
From: w4uoc@aol.com
Topic: 1727  Message: 1727

Suggest you get a tube radio that will probably not be effected by the EMP
or put your K3 in the microwave.

Watch .....

_http://johngaltfla.com/wordpress/2012/10/24/big-brothers-new-toy-an-emp-cru
ise-missile/_
(http://johngaltfla.com/wordpress/2012/10/24/big-brothers-new-toy-an-emp-cruise-missile/)

Tom - W4UOC

# 1728. Amateur-Radio Emergency Services and Disasters

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2012-11-01 12:01:39 UTC
From: w4uoc@aol.com
Topic: 1728  Message: 1728

Amateur-Radio Emergency Services and Disasters

Date Posted: October 30, 2012 10:20 PM
Author: _Don Tuite_ (http://electronicdesign.com/author/14948/DonTuite)

The second morning after Hurricane Sandy hit the East Coast seems like a good time for Electronic Design readers to think about ham radio and emergency response issues.

I got involved in these issues myself when my neighbor, Dave, told me about his experiences after the Loma Prieta earthquake in 1989.

Dave's a lawyer, so he was down at the Courthouse when the quake struck. At the time, the courthouse and the police station were co-located. The police station had (still has) a ham radio station (HF, VHF, UHF) on the premises. Those were both good things, because what there was of a public safety communications structure in Northern California came down with the quake, and for all anybody knew, so had the overpasses on 101 and I-280, the main north-south corridors. (They hadn't, but were rumored to.)

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You're probably thinking: That was 1989. All they had was spotty Gen-1 cell coverage. Today, the mayor and the chiefs would be communicating on their iPads before the first aftershocks rippled under their feet. So here's Important Thing #1:

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2. Ham radio has changed; many citizens' desire to serve in emergency communications is a big part of that.

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pass the test the same day.
In my experience, the reason many of them are doing that is to get involved with emergency communications. (Amusingly, some of them also go on to become CW DX-hounds for the sport of it.)
Now here’s the most important thing.
3. One can’t just get a license, wait for a disaster, and show up.
You're a liability if you haven't had training. The guy behind the glass at the police station won’t give you the time of day. This is not a decision you make and sit on until the stuff hits the fan.
You have to work at it. The best place to start is with Community Emergency Response Team (CERT) training. That’s because it’s more important that you and your neighbors work together to secure your home and neighborhood and collect some information about damage and injuries to communicate to the public safety people than that you show up and immediately get cluelessly underfoot.
CERT training will also introduce you to the Incident Command System, giving you some idea of what might need to be communicated, and by whom and to whom.
There’s a choice of potential organizations. The classic is the Amateur Radio Relay League’s (ARRL’s) ARES and RACES organizations. They’re explained _here_ (http://www.arrl.org/ares-races-faq) :
But that’s not the only option, and you may find that, in your area, other groups are better organized, or have better leadership, or for whatever reason are more compatible with you. I’m a member of the local ARES group, which has excellent organization and a wide range of practice activities. (For example, you have no idea how challenging it can be to participate in a networking operation until you have been involved in keeping up with all the groups participating in a city Fourth of July parade. Or with a day-long bicycling event for hundreds of participants over a hundred-mile course with sag-wagons, aid stops, lost bikers, and terrain that challenges the use of repeaters.)
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manager’s office at the local general-aviation airport, have ham antennas, at least for 2-meters and 440-MHz. Where are the antenna drops? The local volunteers know, and without that knowledge, the drops are useless. Then, what’s the drill for getting into the police station? What do you say at the intercom by the door? Once you get in, where’s the ham radio equipment? How does it work? How do you run a net with simplex, if that’s what’s called for? What are the fallback plans when Plan A is a bust? What’s it like to “shadow” a politician or an incident commander during an event? There’s stuff you learn from being taught and stuff you learn from doing.

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# 1729. North Fulton ARES Net, 11/4/2012, 8:30 pm

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2012-11-03 19:30:30 UTC
From: nfares@yahoogroups.com
Topic: 1729  Message: 1729

Reminder from: nfares Yahoo! Group
http://groups.yahoo.com/group/nfares/cal

North Fulton ARES Net
Sunday November 4, 2012
8:30 pm - 9:00 pm
Location: 147.06 NFARL repeater (PL 100)

Notes:
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# 1730. North Fulton ARES

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2012-11-05 02:06:05 UTC
From: w4uoc@aol.com
Topic: 145  Message: 1730

North Fulton ARES net
Sunday November 4, 2012
2030 - 2050 EST
NF4GA 147.06 - 100Hz
9 STATIONS

W4UOC TOM NCS EP
K4SQC JOHN EP
N4SEC JIM MOBILE
AA4FA DAN EP
KK4YJO FRED EP
W4QO JIM EP
AK4EX STUART EP
W4CJV WAYNE BP
W4CNG STEVE BP

EP=EMERGENCY POWER

# 1731. Fwd: CHOA Parade

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2012-11-09 21:30:59 UTC
From: w4uoc@aol.com
Topic: 1731  Message: 1731

Are any of you available to help with the Childrens Healthcare Parade? It so contact Chris Balch KS4MM at _chris@..._ (mailto:chris@...) or Hobie Pileski _hobie@..._ (mailto:hobie@...)

Tom Koch _W4UOC_ (mailto:W4UOC@...)

# 1732. Re: Fwd: CHOA Parade

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2012-11-10 19:10:55 UTC
From: Mike Lozano
Topic: 1731  Message: 1732

Tom/Chris,

When is the parade?

Mike
KF4UPO

# 1733. North Fulton ARES Net, 11/11/2012, 8:30 pm

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2012-11-10 20:30:29 UTC
From: nfares@yahoogroups.com
Topic: 1733  Message: 1733

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# 1734. Children's Hospital of Atlanta Christmas Parade - December 1, 2012 Volunteers?

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2012-11-11 15:44:43 UTC
From: w4uoc@aol.com
Topic: 1734  Message: 1734

Chris Balch KJ4NAX is looking for volunteers to the Children's Hospital of Atlanta Christmas Parade
Dec1, 2012. Report time ~0630L Done: ~1200L Downtown Atlanta near the SunTrust tower on Peachtree St.

If you can help please contact Chris.

Chris Balch
_kj4nax@..._ (mailto:kj4nax@...)
or
_AtlantaSmallBusinessLaw.com_ (http://atlantasmallbusinesslaw.com/)
404.202.5934

# 1735. North Fulton ARES Meeting, 11/13/2012, 7:00 pm

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2012-11-11 19:01:01 UTC
From: nfares@yahoogroups.com
Topic: 1735  Message: 1735

Reminder from: nfares Yahoo! Group
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North Fulton ARES Meeting
Tuesday November 13, 2012
7:00 pm - 9:00 pm
Location: Brandon Hall School - 1701 Brandon Hall Drive Sandy Springs, GA 30350

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# 1736. NFARES 2-meter net, Sunday, November 11, 2012

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2012-11-12 03:16:41 UTC
From: MikeC
Topic: 1736  Message: 1736

We had 15 check-ins on the NFARES 2-meter net, Sunday, November 11, 2012

W4UOC - Tom Koch ☐ EC NFARES, Sandy Springs, BP
KK4DSW ☐ Steve, EL
N4SEC - Jim Paine, Alpharetta, BP
K4YJI ☐ Bill, E. , BP
AK4NA ☐ Gary, Roswell
AA4FA - Dan McKenzie, BP
AK4EX - Stuart Williams, Sandy Springs
W4CJV ☐ Wayne, Alpharetta, BP
KK4IZN ☐ James, Sandy Springs (with Spencer & Zander)
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W4QO - Jim Stafford, W. Roswell, BP
K4WSW ☐ Bill, Alpharetta, BP
AD4MC (NCS) - Mike Cohen, Sandy Springs, BP
BP = Battery Power
EL = EchoLink

Comments:
W4UOC ☐ Tom,
The next NFARES Meeting will be on Tuesday, November 13, at the Brandon Hall School, starting at 7:00PM.
Topics to be covered will be Near Term Support Requests, Insurance Plan for Sandy Springs CERT, an Organization Chart for NFARES, Review of the 2012 SET.

W4QO ☐ Jim,
Because of the "long squelch tail" on the 147.06 repeater tonight, we QSYed over to the 443.15 (+) No PL repeater. 10 of the 15 stations confirmed that they could check in on that repeater.

We welcome all NFARES members to be NCS at least once per year. The Net Script can be found at nfares.org.

The next scheduled net will be Sunday, November 18th. This net closed at 8:48 PM.

73,
Mike - AD4MC
404-981-8624

# 1737. Amateur-Radio Emergency Services, CERT and Disasters

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2012-11-13 13:16:18 UTC
From: w4uoc@aol.com
Topic: 1737  Message: 1737

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# 1738. North Fulton ARES Meeting, 11/13/2012, 7:00 pm

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2012-11-13 15:52:59 UTC
From: Mike Cohen
Topic: 1735  Message: 1738

One of the topics for tonight's meeting will be a review of our 2012 SET. Here's a link to the doc we be using: http://tinyurl.com/2012-NFARES-SET-Review. If you have Wi-Fi capability on a laptop, you can bring it with you to be able to see the whole doc during the meeting.

73,
Mike - AD4MC

Mike Cohen
(404) 981-8624

On Sun, Nov 11, 2012 at 2:01 PM, <nfares@yahoogroups.com> wrote:

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> Reminder from: *nfares Yahoo! Group<http://groups.yahoo.com/group/nfares/cal>
> * Title: North Fulton ARES Meeting Date: Tuesday November 13, 2012
> Time: 7:00 pm - 9:00 pm Location: Brandon Hall School - 1701 Brandon
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# 1739. EmComm Training

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2012-11-14 18:25:07 UTC
From: Mike Cohen
Topic: 1739  Message: 1739

At last night's review of the NFARES SET, one of our newest hams, Rob, KK4LZV, asked what steps he could take to become more proficient in EmComm (Emergency Communications) techniques.

NFARES does not have any required training, but here are the requirements for the Gwinnett ARES group, GARS:http://www.gwinnettares.org/join_us.htm.

Specific online (FREE !!) courses are:
http://emilms.fema.gov/IS100b/index.htm
http://emilms.fema.gov/IS200b/index.htm
http://emilms.fema.gov/IS700aNEW/index.htm
http://emilms.fema.gov/IS800B/index.htm
which I have already enjoyed completing. IMHO it's really good stuff.

GARS has also put together some interesting training information that you can find at:
http://www.gwinnettares.org/

The link to the ARRL course is: Introduction to Emergency Communication (EC-001) <http://www.arrl.org/online-course-catalog#>,

Of course, with any discipline, the more training the better.

73,
Mike - AD4MC

Mike Cohen
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# 1740. North Fulton ARES Net, 11/18/2012, 8:30 pm

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2012-11-17 20:30:23 UTC
From: nfares@yahoogroups.com
Topic: 1740  Message: 1740

Reminder from: nfares Yahoo! Group
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# 1741. Twitter Alerting System

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2012-11-17 20:32:48 UTC
From: Jim Stafford
Topic: 1741  Message: 1741

At the TUE meeting, we discussed setting up an
alerting system for NF ARES using Twitter.
This turned out to be easier than at first anticipated.

This works whether you are member of twitter or not.
It does require you to be TEXT messaging capable and
willing to receive a few test messages right now and maybe
only one or two a month, once things settle down.  Once in
the normal mode, a typical alert message might read

JOHNS CREEK COMM FAILURE - PLEASE GO TO 147.06 PL100 ASAP

To receive alerts, go to your TEXT messaging and send
a simple message to number 40404   .... this would
normally be a telephone number but it turns out
that twitter has this special access number.  The
message is

follow nfares1

Twitter will assign you a twitter account but this is
not a problem.  You may want to use the account
but if not, it'll just be something you use to get the
"alerts" from us.

If you want to discontinue anytune, just send a TEXT to
40404 and in it say    ....   LEAVE nfares1

To reactivate, send a message    ON nfares1

This should work.  If not, contact me w4qo@...

Let me know if you get connected in and would like
a test message.

W4QO Jim Stafford

# 1742. Re: [nfares] Twitter Alerting System

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2012-11-18 03:42:06 UTC
From: Mike Cohen
Topic: 1741  Message: 1742

Jim,

Just signed up and got my first two tweets. Looking forward to seeing how this works going forward. Thanks for setting it up.

73,
Mike - AD4MC

Mike Cohen
(404) 981-8624

On Sat, Nov 17, 2012 at 3:32 PM, Jim Stafford <qrp@...> wrote:

> **
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>
> At the TUE meeting, we discussed setting up an
> alerting system for NF ARES using Twitter.
> This turned out to be easier than at first anticipated.
>
> This works whether you are member of twitter or not.
> It does require you to be TEXT messaging capable and
> willing to receive a few test messages right now and maybe
> only one or two a month, once things settle down. Once in
> the normal mode, a typical alert message might read
>
> JOHNS CREEK COMM FAILURE - PLEASE GO TO 147.06 PL100 ASAP
>
> To receive alerts, go to your TEXT messaging and send
> a simple message to number 40404 .... this would
> normally be a telephone number but it turns out
> that twitter has this special access number. The
> message is
>
> follow nfares1
>
> Twitter will assign you a twitter account but this is
> not a problem. You may want to use the account
> but if not, it'll just be something you use to get the
> "alerts" from us.
>
> If you want to discontinue anytune, just send a TEXT to
> 40404 and in it say .... LEAVE nfares1
>
> To reactivate, send a message ON nfares1
>

> This should work. If not, contact me w4qo@...
>
> Let me know if you get connected in and would like
> a test message.
>
> W4QO Jim Stafford
>
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>

# 1743. NFARES 11/28/2012 8:30 pm Net Report

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2012-11-20 12:15:11 UTC
From: Wayne
Topic: 1743  Message: 1743

NFARES 11/28/2012 8:30 pm Net Report

The following operators checked in to the net:

1. AD4MC ☐ Mike - Sandy Springs - BP
2. K4YJI ☐ Bill - E. Cobb - BP
3. N4SEC ☐ Jim ☐ Alpharetta and mobile - BP
4. AK4NA ☐ Gary ☐ N. Roswell ☐ CP
5. W4UOC ☐ Tom EC for North Fulton ARES BP
6. KK4LJG ☐ Mike ☐ E. Cobb ☐ CP
7. W4QO ☐ Jim in W. Roswell BP
8. KK4EFN ☐ Phil - Johns Creek - BP
9. KE3EM ☐ Bob ☐ Roswell ☐ CP
10. AK4TL ☐ Clyde ☐ mobile ☐ BP
11. AK4EX - Stuart (NCS) ☐ Sandy Springs EOC - CP

Comments, discussion or notes:

1. EchoLink was offline during this weekly net.
2. Mike, AD4MC and Jim, W4QO discussed the SMS/Twitter paging system and how to join the notification list. Information will be on the Reflector and in various emails.
3. The possibility of a December dinner at Brandon Hall was discussed. Please RSVP when invitation received.

Legend:
BP-Battery Power
CP-Commercial Power
EL ☐ EchoLink
NCS ☐ Net Control Station
Net closed at approximately 8:55 pm local time.

There were 11 Check-ins, including the NCS, during the NFARES 11/18/2012 net. The next scheduled net will be Sunday, November 25, 2012 at 8:30 p.m. local time.

Thanks to all who checked in this evening and 73's.

Stuart, AK4EX

# 1744. North Fulton ARES Net, 11/25/2012, 8:30 pm

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2012-11-24 20:30:27 UTC
From: nfares@yahoogroups.com
Topic: 1744  Message: 1744

Reminder from: nfares Yahoo! Group
http://groups.yahoo.com/group/nfares/cal

North Fulton ARES Net
Sunday November 25, 2012
8:30 pm - 9:00 pm
Location: 147.06 NFARL repeater (PL 100)

Notes:
Everyone is welcome to check into this net whether a NFARES member or not. Learn some techniques for how to handle emergency situations.

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# 1745. North Fulton Public Safety Radio System to be replaced

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2012-11-27 01:11:06 UTC
From: w4uoc@aol.com
Topic: 1745  Message: 1745

If you haven't seen the Channel 2 report, it is at this link.
_http://bcove.me/enuae49y_ (http://bcove.me/enuae49y)

# 1746. Storm Spotter Training

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2012-11-27 21:44:28 UTC
From: w4uoc@aol.com
Topic: 1746  Message: 1746

Emory CEPAR will be hosting a National Weather Service Storm Spotter class on Tuesday December 4, 2012 from 10:00 Am to 12:00 PM in Room 5C at the 1599 Building on Clifton Road. We are pleased to have Barry Gooden, Warning Coordination Meteorologist from the National Weather Service office at Peachtree City teaching this class. This class is two hours and covers the basics of severe weather climatology, thunderstorm types, thunderstorm components, what information needs to be reported to the National Weather Service and how to report this information in a timely manner.

Parking is free and is attached to our building. There is a class limit of thirty people,based on space, so if you plan on attending, I will need you to RSVP to Holley Butkovitch at _HBUTKOV@..._ (mailto:HBUTKOV@...) as soon as possible.

We look forward to having you attend.

Class site:

1599 Clifton Rd. NE
Atlanta, GA 30322

Thanks,

Jim Zerylnick
Emory CEPAR

# 1747. Holiday Dinner before the NFARES Meeting Dec 11, 2012

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2012-11-29 22:13:12 UTC
From: w4uoc@aol.com
Topic: 1747 Message: 1747

Brandon Hall School
1701 Brandon Hall Drive
Sandy Springs, GA 30350

Our North Fulton ARES organization has been invited to have dinner at the Brandon Hall School before our December 11th. NFARES meeting. Dinner will be available at 6:15 p.m.and the meeting will begin at 7:00 p.m. as usual.

James Vaught, KK4IZN, the middle school science teacher and sponsor of the BHS Radio Club, has tentatively reserved 20 plates at $8.00 each. Cash would be easiest. A table has been reserved for 20 in the dining hall. Dinner includes beverages full salad bar and dessert.

The menu for Tuesday December 11th includes:

Baked Chicken Breast with Champagne Sauce
Lyonnaise Potatoes
Sauteed Broccoli
Dinner Roll

Please RSVP by December 7th to _w4uoc@..._ (mailto:w4uoc@...) so we can plan on the number that will be joining our NFARES group for this Holiday, pre meeting dinner .

We will have a talk-in on the 147.06 (+600 100Hz) for those that need directions to the school. Brandon Hall Drive is off Spaulding Road, East of GA-400. Get off at Exit 6 and take Roberts Road on the East side of GA-400 to Spaulding and then left on Spaulding to Brandon Hall Drive, turn left at the flashing yellow light.

We hope to see you there!

Tom Koch - W4UOC
James Vaught - KK4IZN

# 1748. North Fulton ARES Net, 12/2/2012, 8:30 pm

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2012-12-01 20:30:34 UTC
From: nfares@yahoogroups.com
Topic: 1748  Message: 1748

Reminder from: nfares Yahoo! Group
http://groups.yahoo.com/group/nfares/cal

North Fulton ARES Net
Sunday December 2, 2012
8:30 pm - 9:00 pm
Location: 147.06 NFARL repeater (PL 100)

Notes:
Everyone is welcome to check into this net whether a NFARES member or not. Learn some techniques for how to handle emergency situations.

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# 1749. NFARES Program December 11, 2012

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2012-12-02 18:29:05 UTC
From: w4uoc@aol.com
Topic: 1749  Message: 1749
Attachments: 1 described; binary payloads are missing from this source WARC

Dave Brackett, AK4CL, will present the program at the NFARES meeting on December 11th. This program will describe a unique way to predict communication effectiveness between two VHF or UHF stations.

Our North Fulton ARES organization has been invited to have dinner at the Brandon Hall School before our December 11th. NFARES meeting. Dinner will be available at 6:15 p.m.and the meeting will begin at 7:00 p.m. as usual.

James Vaught, KK4IZN, the middle school science teacher and sponsor of the BHS Radio Club, has tentatively reserved 20 plates at $8.00 each. Cash would be easiest. A table has been reserved for 20 in the dining hall. Dinner includes beverages full salad bar and dessert.

The menu for Tuesday December 11th includes:

Baked Chicken Breast with Champagne Sauce
Lyonnaise Potatoes
Sauteed Broccoli
Dinner Roll

Please RSVP by December 7th to _w4uoc@..._ (mailto:w4uoc@...) so we can plan on the number that will be joining our NFARES group for this Holiday, pre meeting dinner .

We will have a talk-in on the 147.06 (+600 100Hz) for those that need directions to the school. Brandon Hall Drive is off Spalding Road, East of GA-400. Get off at Exit 6 and take Roberts Road on the East side of GA-400 to Spalding and then left on Spalding to Brandon Hall Drive, turn left at the flashing yellow light.

We hope to see you there!

The following have replied with their intentions to join us for dinner.

NFARES DINNER RESERVATONS

1. Tom Koch - W4UOC
2. Mike Cohen - AD4MC
3. Chuck Catledge = AE4CW
4. Phil Wolf - KK4EFN
5. Wayne Chapman - KG5WU

# 1750. NFARES 2-meter net, Sunday, December 2, 2012

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2012-12-03 02:03:20 UTC
From: MikeC
Topic: 1750  Message: 1750

We had 11 check-ins on the NFARES 2-meter net, Sunday, December 2, 2012

W4UOC - Tom Koch ☐ EC NFARES, Sandy Springs, BP
KG5WU ☐ Wayne, E. Cobb, BP
AK4NA ☐ Gary, Roswell, BP
KK4LJG ☐ Mike, E. Cobb, BP
AK4EX - Stuart, Sandy Springs
KK4EFN - Phil, Johns Creek, BP
AA4FA - Dan, Dunwoody, BP
W2FAL ☐ Frank, Sandy Springs
K4WSW ☐ Bill, Alpharetta, BP
AK4TL - Clyde McClain, EL, DeKalb, BP
AD4MC (NCS) - Mike Cohen, Sandy Springs, BP
BP = Battery Power
EL = EchoLink

Comments:
W4UOC ☐ Tom,
The next NFARES Meeting will be on Tuesday, December 11, at the Brandon Hall School, starting at 7:00PM.
Dave, AK4CL, will be presenting the software program Mobile Radio and how he used it to help select a location for the Roswell EOC during the SET.

Please RSVP for dinner at 6:15PM before the meeting. There will be a nominal cost of $8.00.

Tom checked in to the GA Regional Hospital Net, the Metro Atlanta VHF Net, the GA ARES Digital NET on 7.073 and the SSB net on 3.975.

We welcome all NFARES members to be NCS at least once per year. The Net Script can be found at nfares.org.

The next scheduled net will be Sunday, December 9th. This net closed at 8:42 PM.

73,
Mike - AD4MC
404-981-8624

# 1751. NFARES DINNER RESERVATONS - Brandon Hall School Dec 11, 2012

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2012-12-03 16:34:39 UTC
From: w4uoc@aol.com
Topic: 1751  Message: 1751

Our North Fulton ARES organization has been invited to have dinner at the Brandon Hall School before our December 11th. NFARES meeting. Dinner will be available at 6:15 p.m.and the meeting will begin at 7:00 p.m. as usual.

James Vaught, KK4IZN, the middle school science teacher and sponsor of the BHS Radio Club, has tentatively reserved 20 plates at $8.00 each. Cash would be easiest. A table has been reserved for 20 in the dining hall. Dinner includes beverages full salad bar and dessert.

The menu for Tuesday December 11th includes:

Baked Chicken Breast with Champagne Sauce
Lyonnaise Potatoes
Sauteed Broccoli
Dinner Roll

Please RSVP by December 7th to _w4uoc@..._ (mailto:w4uoc@...) so we can plan on the number that will be joining our NFARES group for this Holiday, pre meeting dinner .

We will have a talk-in on the 147.06 (+600 100Hz) for those that need directions to the school. Brandon Hall Drive is off Spalding Road, East of GA-400. Get off at Exit 6 and take Roberts Road on the East side of GA-400 to Spalding and then left on Spaulding to Brandon Hall Drive, turn left at the flashing yellow light.

We hope to see you there!

Tom Koch - W4UOC
James Vaught - KK4IZN

NFARES DINNER RESERVATONS Received as of Dec 3, 2012

1. Tom Koch - W4UOC
2. Mike Cohen - AD4MC
3. Chuck Catledge = AE4CW
4. Phil Wolf - KK4EFN
5. Wayne Chapman - KG5WU
6. Stuart Williams - AK4EX
7. Rod Alford - KK4LZV
8. James Vaught - KK4IZN

# 1752. Battery Maintenance Video/Audio Training Program

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2012-12-04 13:09:44 UTC
From: w4uoc@aol.com
Topic: 1752  Message: 1752

Check out this site and click on the videos to learn about battery care and maintenance.
I received this on an ARMY MARS training session this morning. We also had a unique example of not sending the training materials over the ssb radio but only sending the link, asked stations to view/listen to the training and then comment on voice with questions and comments. We should try this on our NFARES nets sometime in the future for this and other tropics.

_http://www.trojanbattery.com/Tech-Support/BatteryMaintenance.aspx_ (http://www.trojanbattery.com/Tech-Support/BatteryMaintenance.aspx)

Tom Koch - W4UOC - EC North Fulton ARES

# 1753. Opportunity to Serve - ARES SUPPORT REQUESTED

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2012-12-04 15:35:42 UTC
From: w4uoc@aol.com
Topic: 1753 Message: 1753

Date: Tue, 4 Dec 2012 09:01:15 -0500 (EST) From: ARRL Members Only Web site _<memberlist@...>_ (mailto:memberlist@...) To: NFARES (mailto:bill-weathers@...)

Just got this from R. Riley Land, Deputy Director Emergency Management Division, Columbus Fire and Emergency Medical Services in Columbus, Georgia. As you can see, we have the opportunity to make contacts around the state and to prove their ability to contact anyone who might work with their local EOC's, the state EOC or any of the other GSAR (Georgia Search and Rescue) units. The communication is as follows:

"The communications unit of the GSAR Task Force 4A has been afforded a unique opportunity to participate in a multi agency drill this Wednesday, December 5, 2012. This is on very short notice but we did not want to pass up the chance to test our unit's communications capabilities at a remote location. Since the possibility of a GSAR deployment into areas devastated by either natural or manmade disasters will most likely result in the loss of cellular telephone service, landline telephone disruption and loss of other local communications assets we will test our onboard satellite communications and HF HAM radio communications. This is to inform our other GSAR teams in the state and other entities of our exercise activities so that they may be informed of the activities in the event they receive an email from us or if they would like to participate. Again, I realize that this is extremely short notice and if you are not able to benefit from this exercise we can structure another at a later date based on the findings of this one.

Exercise Location: Eufaula, Alabama

Time: 10:00 am EST to 4:00pm EST

Objectives: Test satellite communications uplink in

digital internet mode (internet and email) and satellite voice

communications mode. (telephone)

Test HF HAM radio on 80 meters and 40 meters in

NVIS (Near Vertical Incident Skywave) mode.

At some point during the morning we will send and email to all

recipients named above giving our operational condition and location

(geographic and Lat./Lon.) This message will include the statement

that this is an exercise only. We will attach photos of the exercise

site to insure sufficient satellite bandwidth is available. Recipients

may respond to this email if they wish to be included in the after

action report of contacts made in this mode.

At some point shortly after, our unit will place a satellite telephone

call to the Columbus EOC to confirm satellite voice communications. Our

unit will then place a satcom telephone call to the Georgia Emergency

Management/Homeland Security to confirm voice contact with Atlanta.

No action is required by recipients.

TESTING HAM RADIO HF communications in the NVIS or Near Vertical

Incident Skywave mode:

At 1000 hrs (10:00am EST) until 1030 hrs. (10:30am EST) the TF 4A
communications unit will make calls on 40 meter HAM radio at a
frequency of 7.275 LSB. We will ask for any station monitoring to make
contact with us giving their call sign, name, and a signal report. If
GSAR teams around GA have relationships with their local ARES HAM
operators they may wish to let them know of the exercise.

At 1031 hrs. (10:31 am EST) until 1100 hrs. (11:00am EST) the TF 4A
communications unit will make calls on 80 meter HAM radio at a
frequency of 3.975 LSB.
We will ask for any station monitoring to make contact with us giving
their call sign, name, and a signal report. If GSAR teams around GA

have relationships with their local ARES HAM operators they may wish to

let them know of the exercise.

During these times we may switch from NVIS to true vertical antenna

orientation to compare signal strength variations between the two modes.

An after action report of the findings of these tests will be prepared and distributed to all GSAR teams at a later date.

Again, I apologize for the short notice of these activities but we were just now able to confirm our participation.

R. Riley Land, Deputy Director

Emergency Management Division

Columbus Fire and Emergency Medical Services

Columbus, Georgia"

Lets do it!

73,

Gene, W4AYK

# 1754. Re: [nfares] Opportunity to Serve - ARES SUPPORT REQUESTED

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2012-12-05 16:17:10 UTC
From: Mike Cohen
Topic: 1753  Message: 1754

Was not at home during the 40M portion, but did check in during the 80M net.

73,
Mike - AD4MC

Mike Cohen
(404) 981-8624

On Tue, Dec 4, 2012 at 10:35 AM, <w4uoc@...> wrote:

> **
>
>
> **
> Date: Tue, 4 Dec 2012 09:01:15 -0500 (EST) From: ARRL Members Only Web
> site <memberlist@....org> <memberlist@...> To: NFARES<bill-weathers@...>
>
> Just got this from R. Riley Land, Deputy Director Emergency Management
> Division, Columbus Fire and Emergency Medical Services in Columbus,
> Georgia. As you can see, we have the opportunity to make contacts
> around the state and to prove their ability to contact anyone who might
> work with their local EOC's, the state EOC or any of the other GSAR
> (Georgia Search and Rescue) units. The communication is as follows:
> "The communications unit of the GSAR Task Force 4A has been afforded a
> unique opportunity to participate in a multi agency drill this
> Wednesday, December 5, 2012. This is on very short notice but we did
> not want to pass up the chance to test our unit's communications
> capabilities at a remote location. Since the possibility of a GSAR
> deployment into areas devastated by either natural or manmade disasters
> will most likely result in the loss of cellular telephone service,
> landline telephone disruption and loss of other local communications
> assets we will test our onboard satellite communications and HF HAM
> radio communications. This is to inform our other GSAR teams in the
> state and other entities of our exercise activities so that they may be
> informed of the activities in the event they receive an email from us or
> if they would like to participate. Again, I realize that this is
> extremely short notice and if you are not able to benefit from this
> exercise we can structure another at a later date based on the findings
> of this one.
>
> Exercise Location: Eufaula, Alabama
> Time: 10:00 am EST to 4:00pm EST
> Objectives: Test satellite communications uplink in
> digital internet mode (internet and email) and satellite voice
> communications mode. (telephone)
> Test HF HAM radio on 80 meters and 40 meters in

> NVIS (Near Vertical Incident Skywave) mode.
>
> At some point during the morning we will send and email to all
> recipients named above giving our operational condition and location
> (geographic and Lat./Lon.) This message will include the statement
> that this is an exercise only. We will attach photos of the exercise
> site to insure sufficient satellite bandwidth is available. Recipients
> may respond to this email if they wish to be included in the after
> action report of contacts made in this mode.
>
> At some point shortly after, our unit will place a satellite telephone
> call to the Columbus EOC to confirm satellite voice communications. Our
> unit will then place a satcom telephone call to the Georgia Emergency
> Management/Homeland Security to confirm voice contact with Atlanta.
> No action is required by recipients.
>
> TESTING HAM RADIO HF communications in the NVIS or Near Vertical
> Incident Skywave mode:
> At 1000 hrs (10:00am EST) until 1030 hrs. (10:30am EST) the TF 4A
> communications unit will make calls on 40 meter HAM radio at a
> frequency of 7.275 LSB. We will ask for any station monitoring to make
> contact with us giving their call sign, name, and a signal report. If
> GSAR teams around GA have relationships with their local ARES HAM
> operators they may wish to let them know of the exercise.
> At 1031 hrs. (10:31 am EST) until 1100 hrs. (11:00am EST) the TF 4A
> communications unit will make calls on 80 meter HAM radio at a
> frequency of 3.975 LSB.
> We will ask for any station monitoring to make contact with us giving
> their call sign, name, and a signal report. If GSAR teams around GA
> have relationships with their local ARES HAM operators they may wish to
> let them know of the exercise.
>
> During these times we may switch from NVIS to true vertical antenna
> orientation to compare signal strength variations between the two
> modes.
>
> An after action report of the findings of these tests will be prepared
> and distributed to all GSAR teams at a later date.
>
> Again, I apologize for the short notice of these activities but we were
> just now able to confirm our participation.
> R. Riley Land, Deputy Director
> Emergency Management Division
> Columbus Fire and Emergency Medical Services
> Columbus, Georgia"
>
> Lets do it!
> 73,
> Gene, W4AYK
>

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# 1755. North Fulton ARES Net, 12/9/2012, 8:30 pm

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2012-12-08 20:30:46 UTC
From: nfares@yahoogroups.com
Topic: 1755  Message: 1755

Reminder from: nfares Yahoo! Group
http://groups.yahoo.com/group/nfares/cal

North Fulton ARES Net
Sunday December 9, 2012
8:30 pm - 9:00 pm
Location: 147.06 NFARL repeater (PL 100)

Notes:
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# 1756. North Fulton ARES Meeting - Dec 11, 2012 - Reminder

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2012-12-09 15:39:02 UTC
From: w4uoc@aol.com
Topic: 1756  Message: 1756

Our North Fulton ARES organization has been invited to have dinner at the
Brandon Hall School before our December 11th. NFARES meeting. Dinner will
be available at 6:15 p.m.and the meeting will begin at 7:00 p.m. as usual.

James Vaught, KK4IZN, the middle school science teacher and sponsor of the
BHS Radio Club, has tentatively reserved 20 plates at $8.00 each. Cash
would be easiest. A table has been reserved for 20 in the dining hall. Dinner
includes beverages full salad bar and dessert.

The menu for Tuesday December 11th includes:

Baked Chicken Breast with Champagne Sauce
Lyonnaise Potatoes
Sauteed Broccoli
Dinner Roll

Please RSVP by December 10th to _w4uoc@..._
(http://us.mc1806.mail.yahoo.com/mc/compose?to=w4uoc@...) so we can plan on the number
that will
be joining our NFARES group for this Holiday, pre meeting dinner .

We will have a talk-in on the 147.06 (+600 100Hz) for those that need
directions to the school. Brandon Hall Drive is off Spalding Road, East of
GA-400. Get off at Exit 6 and take Roberts Road on the East side of GA-400 to
Spalding and then left on Spaulding to Brandon Hall Drive, turn left at
the flashing yellow light.

We hope to see you there!

Tom Koch - W4UOC
James Vaught - KK4IZN

NFARES DINNER RESERVATONS Received as of Dec 9, 2012

1. Tom Koch - W4UOC
2. Mike Cohen - AD4MC
3. Chuck Catledge = AE4CW
4. Phil Wolf - KK4EFN
5. Wayne Chapman - KG5WU
6. Stuart Williams - AK4EX
7. Rod Alford - KK4LZV
8. James Vaught - KK4IZN

# 1757. North Fulton ARES Meeting, 12/11/2012, 7:00 pm

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2012-12-09 19:01:03 UTC
From: nfares@yahoogroups.com
Topic: 1757  Message: 1757

Reminder from: nfares Yahoo! Group
http://groups.yahoo.com/group/nfares/cal

North Fulton ARES Meeting
Tuesday December 11, 2012
7:00 pm - 9:00 pm
Location: Brandon Hall School - 1701 Brandon Hall Drive Sandy Springs, GA 30350

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# 1758. NFARES 12/9/2012 8:30 pm Net Report

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2012-12-10 10:49:20 UTC
From: Wayne
Topic: 1758  Message: 1758

NFARES 12/9/2012 8:30 pm Net Report

The following operators checked in to the net:

1. KF4UPO ☐ Mike ☐ Norcross BP
2. AD4MC ☐ Mike - Sandy Springs - BP
3. KK4LJG ☐ Mike ☐ E. Cobb ☐ BP
4. N4SEC ☐ Jim ☐ Alpharetta - CP
5. AK4NA ☐ Gary ☐ N. Roswell ☐ BP
6. AA4FA ☐ Dan ☐ Dunwoody - BP
7. W4QO ☐ Jim - W. Roswell - BP
8. KK4EHF ☐ Andrew ☐ Roswell - BP
9. AF3E ☐ Mike - Mobile - BP
10. KG5WU ☐ Wayne ☐ Marietta- BP
11. W4UOC ☐ Tom ☐ EC for N. Fulton ARES - CP
12. KJ4OYR ☐ Will ☐ Roswell ☐ CP
13. KK4DSW ☐ Steve ☐ Bethlehem ☐ EL
14. AK4TL ☐ Clyde ☐ Dunwoody ☐ CP
15. W4CJV ☐ Wayne ☐ Alpharetta ☐ BP
16. W5JR ☐ Mike ☐ EL
17. W6IZT ☐ Gregg ☐ Roswell ☐ BP
18. AK4EX - Stuart (NCS) ☐ Sandy Springs- CP

Comments, discussion or notes:

1. Mike, AD4MC mentioned the following:
a. N.Fulton would welcome additional volunteers to be the Net Control Operator for the weekly Sunday night net.
b. Happy Birthday to Tom, W4UOC
2. Tom, W4UOC discussed the following:
a. A pre-meeting dinner at Brandon Hall has been planned at 6:15 pm prior to the regularly scheduled ARES meeting on December 11, 2012. Please RSVP to Tom. Cost is $8.
b. David Bracket will be the guest speaker at the December 11, 2012 meeting. (Net Control assumed Tom was referring t o Dave Brackett, AK4CL)
c. A discussion of weekly net protocol has been recommended for the December 11, 2012 meeting to encourage greater weekly participation.

Legend:
BP-Battery Power
CP-Commercial Power
EL ☐ EchoLink
NCS ☐ Net Control Station
Net closed at approximately 8:55 pm local time.

There were 18 Check-ins, including the NCS, during the NFARES 12/09/2012 net. The next scheduled net will be Sunday, December 16, 2012 at 8:30 p.m. local time.

Thanks to all who checked in this evening and 73's.

Stuart

# 1759. New file uploaded to nfares

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2012-12-12 20:30:21 UTC
From: nfares@yahoogroups.com
Topic: 201  Message: 1759

Hello,

This email message is a notification to let you know that
a file has been uploaded to the Files area of the nfares
group.

File : /Radio Mobile (S).pdf
Uploaded by : mike_ad4mc <ad4mc.mike@...>
Description : Radio Mobile Presentation by Dave, AK4CL

You can access this file at the URL:
http://groups.yahoo.com/group/nfares/files/Radio%20Mobile%20%28S%29.pdf

To learn more about file sharing for your group, please visit:
http://help.yahoo.com/l/us/yahoo/groups/original/members/web/index.html
Regards,

mike_ad4mc <ad4mc.mike@...>

# 1760. Radio Mobile Presentation by Dave, AK4CL

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2012-12-12 20:58:11 UTC
From: Mike Cohen
Topic: 1760  Message: 1760

At last night's NFARES meeting, Dave, AK4CL, gave a presentation on the software program *Radio Mobile* and how he used it to select a location for the Roswell EOC for our 2012 SET. Below is a link to his presentation, which is now uploaded to our nfares@yahoogroups.com file section.

http://groups.yahoo.com/group/nfares/files/Radio%20Mobile%20%28S%29.pdf

This is a sohisticated and high powered program that is not for the faint of heart, but can be extremely useful for the selection of ARES radio locations. IMHO, at future NFARES meetings, we would all benefit from having Dave continue discussing how to use this program.

73,
Mike - AD4MC

Mike Cohen
(404) 981-8624

# 1761. Vote for ARES member of the year

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2012-12-14 19:22:22 UTC
From: w4uoc@aol.com
Topic: 1761  Message: 1761

My vote for GARES Ham of the of the year would be John Davis WB4QDX.
John was my "ARES ELMER" when I took over as the EC for the North Fulton ARES and was very helpful to me and our group. I have enjoyed working with him on the expansion of the GA D/Star system at THE Ft. Mtn and Ellijay repeater sites.

Tom Koch - W4UOC
EC North Fulton ARES

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GAARES Ham of the Year Finalists
Hi All,
Thanks to everyone who took the time to nominate a person you felt was a good candidate for the Georgia ARES Ham of the Year. Those nominees are:
1) Guy McDonald, K4GTM. Guy was the Regional DEC for the Southeast District until a change in jobs moved him to Cobb County. Once settled, he was appointed ADEC-Metro. He’s a good people person, who works on getting anyone working with him up to speed on what they need to know to be a more effective ARES member. As retired military, he’s also been instrumental in our work with Military organizations like the Georgia National Guard, and the Ga. State Defense Force.
2) Lee Becham, KD4NTS. Currently, Lee is an AEC in Troup County. He is a very valuable ELMER to a good many HAMS. He is an ARRL Volunteer Examiner and Instructor. He is very smart technically and does well in passing on his knowledge to new hams.
3) John Davis, WB4QDX. John is currently EC for Gwinnett County and also serves as DEC for Georgia Public Broadcasting, where he was instrumental in getting both equipment and tower locations for the statewide D-Star repeater system. He’s also involved with the GAARES Education Committee, which is working on internet training for various aspects of ham radio.
4) Hal Collier, W4IGE. Hal is a member of Gwinnett County ARES and has done a great job in planning our training events for their group this year. He did an outstanding job in getting the group ready for the 2012 Simulated Emergency Test in October.
5) Tony Gaito, KC0CSG. Tony is a member of Cobb County ARES. He led the way for building out our emergency communications trailer. He has hosted all the work days to do all the things necessary to build and equip our trailer and worked with his employer to get us a place to store the trailer while it was being worked on. Tony is also AEC - Skywarn and is always willing to be there when net activations are required, also supporting our weekly ARES net as needed. In terms of general amateur

radio activity, Anthony is no narrow single mode person.

So there you have it…your 5 nominees for Georgia ARES Ham of the Year for 2012. Voting starts now and will continue through Friday, January 4th, 2013.
Votes should be emailed to me at _ke4fgf@..._ (mailto:ke4fgf@...) . If you wish to add comments to your vote, you are encouraged to do so.
The award will be presented at the state ARES Meeting in Forsyth on January 19th.
Season’s Greetings and 73!!
Mike, KE4FGF, GA-SEC

# 1762. North Fulton ARES Net, 12/16/2012, 8:30 pm

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2012-12-15 20:30:47 UTC
From: nfares@yahoogroups.com
Topic: 1762  Message: 1762

Reminder from: nfares Yahoo! Group
http://groups.yahoo.com/group/nfares/cal

North Fulton ARES Net
Sunday December 16, 2012
8:30 pm - 9:00 pm
Location: 147.06 NFARL repeater (PL 100)

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# 1763. North Fulton ARES Net, 12/23/2012, 8:30 pm

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2012-12-22 20:30:31 UTC
From: nfares@yahoogroups.com
Topic: 1763  Message: 1763

Reminder from: nfares Yahoo! Group
http://groups.yahoo.com/group/nfares/cal

North Fulton ARES Net
Sunday December 23, 2012
8:30 pm - 9:00 pm
Location: 147.06 NFARL repeater (PL 100)

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# 1764. NFARES 2-meter net, Sunday, December 23, 2012

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2012-12-24 02:16:14 UTC
From: MikeC
Topic: 1764  Message: 1764

We had 9 check-ins on the NFARES 2-meter net, Sunday, December 23, 2012

W4UOC - Tom, EC NFARES, Sandy Springs, BP
N4SEC ☐ Jim, Alpharetta, BP
W2FAL ☐ Frank, Sandy Springs
KK4LJG ☐ Mike, E. Cobb, BP
KG5WU ☐ Wayne, S. Cobb, BP
W4QO ☐ Jim, W. Roswell, EL
KC8YRK ☐ Steve, N. Forsythe
KD9RU ☐ Dave, Aiken, SC EL
AD4MC (NCS) - Mike, Sandy Springs, BP
BP = Battery Power
EL = EchoLink

Comments:
W4UOC ☐ Tom,
We will be adding some formality to the nets:
1. Notify NCS if you are leaving the net
2. Be prepared to provide information that may be of interest to the net (a few seconds or longer as needed)
3. Be prepared to back up the NCS as ANCS (Alternate Net Control Station)
4. Be prepared to go to the site you went to for the SET on a quarterly basis
We will be discussing how to smoothly and non-traumatically implement these additional procedures.

We welcome all NFARES members to be NCS at least once per year. The Net Script can be found at nfares.org.

The next scheduled net will be Sunday, December 30th. This net closed at 8:58 PM.

73,
Mike - AD4MC
404-981-8624

# 1765. North Fulton ARES Net, 12/30/2012, 8:30 pm

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2012-12-29 20:30:40 UTC
From: nfares@yahoogroups.com
Topic: 1765  Message: 1765

Reminder from: nfares Yahoo! Group
http://groups.yahoo.com/group/nfares/cal

North Fulton ARES Net
Sunday December 30, 2012
8:30 pm - 9:00 pm
Location: 147.06 NFARL repeater (PL 100)

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# 1766. NFARES Sunday Night Net for 2012-12-30

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2012-12-31 01:54:53 UTC
From: Wayne
Topic: 1766  Message: 1766

NFARES Sunday Night Net
(8 participants) 2012-12-30 30 mins

KG5WU (NCS) - Wayne Chapman
AK4EX - Stuart Williams
AK4NA - Garry Brass
KK4CKH - Lance Henderson
KK4IZN - James Vaught
KK4LJG - Mike Birmingham
W2FAL - Frank Lombardi
W4QO - Jim Stafford

Announcements:

W4UOC via email - Brandon Hall School is going to start having security officers located in the Guard House at the entrance to the School. It will require that we sign in before entering the school property. This will begin on January 7th.

W4UOC via email - We are invited to join the students at 6:15 for dinner but it would be helpful if we had an anticipated count of those that plan to have dinner at least on the Monday before the meeting. The charge will be $8.00 per person and we would prefer that you have the correct change for your meal.

W4QO - GARS Techfest on Saturday Jan 12th. Emphasis on youth and ARES. NFARL will sponsor kit building.

# 1767. North Fulton ARES Meeting Jan 8, 2012 - Brandon Hall School

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2013-01-02 15:43:17 UTC
From: w4uoc@aol.com
Topic: 1767  Message: 1767

This is a reminder of the North Fulton Amateur Radio Emergency Service meeting that will be held on Tuesday evening, January 8th at the Brandon Hall School. The school is located at 1700 Brandon Hall Drive off Spalding Road in Sandy Springs, GA.

New enhanced security procedures will be in place at the Brandon Hall drive entrance to the school. You will be required to sign in with the security officer at gate house before proceeding onto the campus.

The final meeting agenda will be sent at a later date. One portion of the program will be a video tour of the ARRL Headquarters in Newington, CT.

For those interested in meeting at the school for dinner at 6:15, prior to the meeting the menu will include BBQ Ribs, Mashed Sweet Potatoes with Applesauce. I will let you know if there is a menu change.
We are requesting that you reply (RSVP) to me _w4uoc@..._ (mailto:w4uoc@...) , no later than January 7th, if you intend to join the group for dinner and be prepared to pay $8.00 with the correct change if possible at the dinner.

Tom Koch - W4UOC
EC - North Fulton ARES

# 1768. NFARES insurance forms for Sandy Springs Emergency Activation/Call Out

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2013-01-03 17:47:22 UTC
From: w4uoc@aol.com
Topic: 1768  Message: 1768
Attachments: 2 described; binary payloads are missing from this source WARC

NFARES PARTICIPANTS,

I have attached two files pertaining to the VHIS insurance program offered to those NFARES members that might be requested to volunteer in support of any disaster/emergency communications deployment in or for the City of Sandy Springs Fire/Rescue Organization. This insurance is free and would be valid if you were officially requested to deploy in support of any declared Sandy Springs emergency. Details of the coverage are summarized in the attachments.

If you want to be registered/signed up for the VHIS benefits, print out the beneficiary form and either bring it to the next meeting or print it, sign it, scan it with your signature and send it back to me via email and I will forward it to Chiefs Scarborough and Laudermilk.

We will discuss this again at the January 8th NFARES meeting that is scheduled to be held at the Brandon Hall School starting at 7:00 p.m.

The program for this meeting will be by John Davis, WB4QDX, and the subject will be an introduction to D/Star radio and D/rats digital messaging and file transfer functions.

A reminder if you intend to join our group for dinner at with the staff and students at Brandon Hall School at 6:15 p.m. please RSVP to me so we can get a rough count of those that intend to dine with us.

Tom Koch - W4UOC
Emergency Coordinator, North Fulton Amateur Radio Emergency Service
_w4uoc@..._ (mailto:w4uoc@...)
404-314-6109

# 1769. NFARES Meeting Agena - Brandon Hall School Jan 8, 2013

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2013-01-05 19:37:00 UTC
From: w4uoc@aol.com
Topic: 1769  Message: 1769

The agenda for the January 8th NFARES meeting at Brandon Hall School is as follows:

6:15 p.m. PRE MEETING DINNER with Brandon Hall School Students and Staff
(RSVP) to _w4uoc@..._ (mailto:w4uoc@...)
The dinner cost is $8.00 cash only! (Correct cash is
requested).

7:00 p.m. WELCOME AND INTRODUCTIONS

7:15 p.m. BUSINESS AGENDA
Sandy Springs Volunteer Insurance Program - Sign up /
Beneficiary Designation Form

7:30 p.m. PROGRAM
D/Star and D/Rats digital voice and data system training
for Sandy Springs EOC and Command Vehicles
Presented by John Davis WB4QDX

Dinner Confirmations to date:
Tom Koch - W4UOC
James Vaught - KK4IZN
Gary - AK4NA

# 1770. North Fulton ARES Net, 1/6/2013, 8:30 pm

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2013-01-05 20:30:50 UTC
From: nfares@yahoogroups.com
Topic: 1770  Message: 1770

Reminder from: nfares Yahoo! Group
http://groups.yahoo.com/group/nfares/cal

North Fulton ARES Net
Sunday January 6, 2013
8:30 pm - 9:00 pm
Location: 147.06 NFARL repeater (PL 100)

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# 1771. NFARES Jan 8th Dinner Confirmations to date:

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2013-01-06 14:41:38 UTC
From: w4uoc@aol.com
Topic: 1771  Message: 1771

Dinner Confirmations to date:
Tom Koch - W4UOC
James Vaught - KK4IZN
Gary - AK4NA
Wayne Chapman KG5WU
Mike Lozano KF4UPO

# 1772. North Fulton ARES Meeting, 1/8/2013, 7:00 pm

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2013-01-06 19:01:14 UTC
From: nfares@yahoogroups.com
Topic: 1772  Message: 1772

Reminder from: nfares Yahoo! Group
http://groups.yahoo.com/group/nfares/cal

North Fulton ARES Meeting
Tuesday January 8, 2013
7:00 pm - 9:00 pm
Location: Brandon Hall School - 1701 Brandon Hall Drive Sandy Springs, GA 30350

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# 1773. NFARES Sunday Night Net for 2013-01-06

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2013-01-07 02:07:30 UTC
From: Wayne
Topic: 1773  Message: 1773

NFARES Sunday Night Net
(15 participants) 2013-01-06 30 mins

KG5WU (NCS) - Wayne Chapman
AA4FA - Dan McKenzie
AK4EX - Stuart Williams
AK4TL - Clyde McClain
AK4ZQ - Charles Cole
KI4DSO - George Lane
KJ4OYR - Will Adams
KK4EFN - Phil Wolf
KK4IZN - James Vaught
KK4JYO - Fred Ackley
KK4LJG - Mike Birmingham
KK4LOE - Nelson Trujillo
N4SEC - Jim Paine
W4UOC - Tom Koch
W5JR - Mike Roden

Announcements:
Tom W4UOC - NFARES meeting on Tuesday 1/8 - John WB4QDX will discuss DSTAR (more specifically D-Rats)
James KK4IZN - New security plan at Brandon Hall School - Middle school students to attend Techfest on Saturday

# 1774. Fwd: NFARES Jan 8th Dinner Confirmations to date:

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2013-01-07 16:19:48 UTC
From: Mike Lozano
Topic: 1774  Message: 1774

> Subject: Re: NFARES Jan 8th Dinner Confirmations to date:
>
> For those who haven't signed up....restaurants in the area are few, except if you want to try to make your way over to Roswell Rd/Route 9 during rush hour - madness!
>
> Besides, the food service is contracted out and the food at the last meeting was remarkable....especially for $8!
>
> I think if you decide to try it, you won't be dissappointed!
>
> Besides, where else can have dinner with Tom/W4UOC and Mike/AD4MC on some type of random basis/schedule!
>
>
> Mike
> KF4UPO

# 1775. North Fulton ARES Net, 1/13/2013, 8:30 pm

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2013-01-12 20:30:43 UTC
From: nfares@yahoogroups.com
Topic: 1775  Message: 1775

Reminder from: nfares Yahoo! Group
http://groups.yahoo.com/group/nfares/cal

North Fulton ARES Net
Sunday January 13, 2013
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# 1776. D/Star digital communications using D/Rats Training for NFARES

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2013-01-15 16:03:02 UTC
From: w4uoc@...
Topic: 1776  Message: 1776
Attachments: 1 described; binary payloads are missing from this source WARC

(http://www.d-rats.com/)

A Communications Tool For D-STAR
At our last NFARES meeting at the Brandon Hall School, John Davis, WB4QDX presented a program on D/Star and D/Rats as a support tool for our emergency preparedness communications support. It was well received by the group that was in attendance.

During the next few weeks the North Fulton Amateur Radio Emergency Service net on 147.06 repeater we will begin training on D/Rats. You do not have to have a D/Star radio as we can do the training using just the repeater to supplement the training and the D/Rats program running on your home computer.

To be prepared for the first training session download the most current version of the D/Rats program at the D/rats web site _http://www.d-rats.com/_ (http://www.d-rats.com/)

The first training session will help you set up the program on your computer and show you how to connect to the group using a Ratflecter Internet portal connection. If you download the program you will, with guidance you will enable a port to access John Davis's Ratflector port and gain access to the Gwinett ARES D/star/D/rats digital text and file exchange server. We will talk you thru this setup during the first training sessions. Or if you get the program installed I may have time to work with you individually to help with the initial setup.

Tom Koch - W4UOC
EC - North Fulton ARES
_w4uoc@..._ (mailto:w4uoc@...)
404-314-6109

# 1777. North Fulton ARES Net, 1/20/2013, 8:30 pm

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2013-01-19 20:30:58 UTC
From: nfares@yahoogroups.com
Topic: 1777  Message: 1777

Reminder from: nfares Yahoo! Group
http://groups.yahoo.com/group/nfares/cal

North Fulton ARES Net
Sunday January 20, 2013
8:30 pm - 9:00 pm
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# 1778. Sunday Jan 20, 2013 NFARES Net - Post Net Training Topic

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2013-01-21 00:51:55 UTC
From: w4uoc@...
Topic: 1778  Message: 1778
Attachments: 1 described; binary payloads are missing from this source WARC

(http://www.d-rats.com/)

A Communications Tool For D-STAR
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The first training session will help you set up the program on your computer and show you how to connect to the group using a Ratflecter Internet portal connection. If you download the program you will, with guidance you will enable a port to access John Davis's Ratflector port and gain access to the Gwinett ARES D/star/D/rats digital text and file exchange server. We will talk you thru this setup during the first training sessions. Or if you get the program installed I may have time to work with you individually to help with the initial setup.

Tom Koch - W4UOC
EC - North Fulton ARES
_w4uoc@..._ (mailto:w4uoc@...)
404-314-6109

# 1779. NFARES Sunday Night Net for 2013-01-20

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2013-01-21 03:09:55 UTC
From: Wayne
Topic: 1779  Message: 1779

NFARES Sunday Night Net
(16 participants) 2013-01-20 30 mins

AD4MC (NCS) - Mike Cohen
KG5WU (NCS) - Wayne Chapman

AK4EX - Stuart Williams
AK4NA - Garry Brass
K4DMN - Darren Nelsen
K4WSW - Bill Weathers
KF4UPO - Michael Lozano
KK4EFN - Phil Wolf
KK4JYO - Fred Ackley
KK4LJG - Mike Birmingham
KK4NJW - Brendan Preece
N4SEC - Jim Paine
W4CJV - Wayne Rand
W4QO - Jim Stafford
W4UOC - Tom Koch
W5JR - Mike Roden

Announcements:

W4QO - Monday night TechNet on NFARL repeater
W4UOC - D-Rats digital mode training to follow this net tonight.

# 1780. NFARES Sunday Night Digital Net for 2013-01-20

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2013-01-21 03:10:46 UTC
From: Wayne
Topic: 1780  Message: 1780

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NFARES Digital Net
(10 participants) 2013-01-20 30 mins

KG5WU (NCS) - Wayne Chapman

AD4MC - Mike Cohen
AK4EX - Stuart Williams
K4DMN - Darren Nelsen
K4WSW - Bill Weathers
KF4UPO - Michael Lozano
KK4JYO - Fred Ackley
KK4LJG - Mike Birmingham
N4SEC - Jim Paine
W4UOC - Tom Koch
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☐ We held a D-Rats training net where everyone successfully connected to the D-Rats reflector and most connected to the one John WB4QDX showed us at the last meeting.

# 1781. North Fulton ARES Net, 1/27/2013, 8:30 pm

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2013-01-26 20:30:46 UTC
From: nfares@yahoogroups.com
Topic: 1781  Message: 1781

Reminder from: nfares Yahoo! Group
http://groups.yahoo.com/group/nfares/cal

North Fulton ARES Net
Sunday January 27, 2013
8:30 pm - 9:00 pm
(GMT+00:00)
Location: 147.06 NFARL repeater (PL 100)

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# 1782. NFARES 2-meter net, Sunday, January 27, 2012

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2013-01-28 22:26:54 UTC
From: MikeC
Topic: 1782  Message: 1782

We had 12 check-ins on the NFARES 2-meter net, Sunday, January 27, 2012

W4UOC - Tom , EC NFARES, Sandy Springs, BP
KG5WU (ANCS) ☐ Wayne, S. Cobb, BP
KD4MN ☐ Darren, Roswell, BP
N4SEC ☐ Jim, Alpharetta, BP
AK4NA ☐ Gary, Roswell, BP
W4QO ☐ Jim, W. Roswell, EL
KK4JYO ☐ Fred, Roswell, BP
AK4EX ☐ Stuart, Sandy Springs
AA4FA ☐ Dan, Dunwoody, BP
KK4AHX ☐ Darren, Ackworth
W5JR ☐ Mike, Milton, EL
AD4MC (NCS) - Mike, Sandy Springs, BP
BP = Battery Power
EL = EchoLink

Comments:
W4QO:
443.15 Repeater now repaired by Mack ☐ W4AX and Mike ☐ W5JR. THANKS !!

Tech Net is not being moderated by Jim ☐ W4QO (interim NCS) since Joe ☐ N7QPP is now NFARL VP. Last week had over 60 checkins with over 20 on the nfarl.dodropin.org link. Check in on Mondays at 8:30 on 145.47 (100Hz).

We welcome all NFARES members to be NCS at least once per year. The Net Script can be found at nfares.org.

The next scheduled net will be Sunday, February 3rd. This net closed at 8:58 PM.

73,
Mike - AD4MC
404-981-8624

# 1783. New Tailgating Hamfest - Ellijay, Ga

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2013-01-30 12:03:32 UTC
From: w4uoc@...
Topic: 1783  Message: 1783

Ellijay Hamfest 2013
Ellijay Amateur Radio Society, Inc.
Ellijay, Georgia

New Tailgating Hamfest
DATE: Saturday March 16, 2013
Time: 7:00 AM until 2:00PM
Place: Ellijay Lions Club
1561 South Main Street
Ellijay, Georgia 30540

Talk In: 145.170 MHz (-600KHz) PL100Hz
W4HHH Repeater
443.9875 MHz (+5.0 MHz)
D-Star/EchoLink

ADMISSION: $5.00 per person
FREE TAILGATING AND FREE PARKING FOR EVERYONE
BRING YOUR OWN TABLES AND CHAIRS
BRING ALL YOUR ITEMS TO SELL

HAVE A FUN DAY

FOOD: Morning Coffee and Doughnuts will be available

For additional information Contact
Judy G. Wehunt – KJ4UDY
Richard Wehunt - W4LKD
or go to
http://www.w4hhh.oRG

# 1784. Weather Alert fof Metro Atlanta - NFARES alert

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2013-01-30 13:39:01 UTC
From: w4uoc@...
Topic: 1784  Message: 1784

North Fulton Amateur Radio Emergency Service - Alert

I am requesting that you monitor the NFARES 147.06 -500 100Hz tone today
just in case we are requested to support the EOCs for Sandy Springs Chatcom
911, Roswell and Alpharetta due to the severe weather warnings received
this morning and expected this morning and afternoon.

If activation of our NFARES organization, activation/deployment details
will be coordinated from this repeater.
If the repeater fails we will provide information on 146.49 simplex from
the Sandy Springs EOC which has adequate coverage over the North Fulton
cities and Dunwoody.

An alternate frequency you might also monitor is the 146.82 ARC repeater
that will probably also be connected to the Ga Weather Net from the Peachtree
City National Weather Service.

Tom Koch - W4UOC
EC - North Fulton ARES

# 1785. Weather Alert today - Monitor Freqs

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2013-01-30 14:44:04 UTC
From: w4uoc@...
Topic: 1785  Message: 1785

Those of you with D/Star, the National Weather Service and GA Emergency Management will be utilizing the GA D/star repeaters using Reflector 30C which most if not all are linked to that reflector.

We will also keep 147.06 the NFARES repeater as a rally point of we are needed.

Tom Koch - W4UOC

# 1786. Statewide Tornado Drill. Georgia ARES

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2013-02-02 12:41:30 UTC
From: w4uoc@...
Topic: 1786  Message: 1786

Section Traffic Manager Charles K4GK reports the "Severe Weather Awareness Month" in Georgia. for February. This is to prepare for the tornado season in the state. In response to the awareness month, Georgia ARES Statewide Net will be controlled by the National Weather Service. In addition, many local SKYWARN nets will operate in a weather awareness mode.

On February 6th, The State of Georgia will observe a Statewide Tornado Drill. Georgia ARES will spring into action with the Georgia ARES Statewide HF Net on 3975 kHz called into session at 8:00 A.M. The ARES Net will continue in operation until all business is complete and the Drill is over.

# 1787. North Fulton ARES Net, 2/3/2013, 8:30 pm

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2013-02-02 20:30:55 UTC
From: nfares@yahoogroups.com
Topic: 1787  Message: 1787

Reminder from: nfares Yahoo! Group
http://groups.yahoo.com/group/nfares/cal

North Fulton ARES Net
Sunday February 3, 2013
8:30 pm - 9:00 pm
(GMT+00:00)
Location: 147.06 NFARL repeater (PL 100)

Notes:
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# 1788. APRSdroid

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2013-02-03 00:07:35 UTC
From: Mike
Topic: 1788  Message: 1788

For those of you that may be interested, I plan on testing out a program that I found and downloaded today. It is called APRSdroid. You can find info about this program at http://aprsdroid.org/.

I plan on having it up and running all day tomorrow. I tested it on the way home tonight and it seems to work very well. You can monitor my location tomorrow at http://aprs.fi Just search for my call, N4MSS.

My day starts at about 0420 and ends about 1800 or so. I plan on testing all day.

My intent is to monitor the 147.06 Roswell machine during this time (when possible).

This has increased my desire to either buy a APRS enabled radio or set one up on my own.

Sundays are generally slow for us, so I plan on being on GA 400 doing traffic enforcement most of the day, however, if today was any indication of how tomorrow is going to go, it will be busy.

Feel free to call on 147.06 machine. If I can I will answer.

Mike Stark
N4MSS
N4MSS@...

# 1789. National Weather Service - State Wide Tornado Drill - Wednesday Feb 6, 2013

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2013-02-03 13:41:33 UTC
From: w4uoc@...
Topic: 1789  Message: 1789

The National Weather Service (NWS) will conduct its annual Tornado Drill on this coming Wednesday morning, February 6th, beginning about 0900.

The Georgia D-STAR net will convene at about that time on Reflector 30C. All of the Georgia D-STAR operated repeaters will be linked to 30C. Other D-STAR repeaters in the state are requested to also be linked to 30C for this net.

The drill will also be conducted on VHF utilizing the 146.805 - 100hz tone which will be linked to the Georgia Weather net and the National Weather Service (NWS) office in Peachtree City, GA.

The HF net will be conducted on 3.975 SSB.

We would like to see how many check ins we can have in Georgia to demonstrate the reach and numbers for D-STAR. Please check into the net if you can.

The Georgia D-STAR net will convene at about that time on Reflector 30C. All of the Georgia D-STAR operated repeaters will be linked to 30C. Other D-STAR repeaters in the state are requested to also be linked to 30C for this net.

Tom Koch - W4UOC
Emergency Coordinator - North Fulton ARES

# 1790. Sunday-Feb 3rd Metro ARES Net Schedule

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2013-02-03 15:15:40 UTC
From: w4uoc@...
Topic: 1790  Message: 1790
Attachments: 1 described; binary payloads are missing from this source WARC

The monthly Metro ARES net is Sunday, February 3rd at 4pm. Gwinnett County is to call the net and forward the number of checkins back to WB4NWS Jim Milsap _wb4nws@..._ (mailto:wb4nws@...) via email when the net is over.

Frequency: 145.4300-minus Tone In/Out:
107.2 / 107.2

The NET schedule for 2013 is as follows and the pre-amble is attached. The pre-amble has been revised to include the NCS Schedule and other minor changes. Please save to your PC’s desktop

2013 Metro Atlanta District ARES NCS schedule.

January - South Fulton County (Jim WB4NWS called the net in Chris’ absence)
February - Gwinnett County
March - Rockdale County
April - Clayton/Henry County
May - Douglas/Paulding County
June - DeKalb County
July - Cherokee County
August - Coweta/Fayette County
September - Cobb County
October - Newton County
November - North Fulton County
December - DEC or ADEC-Metro

# 1791. NFARES 2-meter net, Sunday, February 3, 2012

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2013-02-04 02:03:18 UTC
From: MikeC
Topic: 1791  Message: 1791

We had 9 check-ins on the NFARES 2-meter net, Sunday, February 3, 2012

W4UOC - Tom , EC NFARES, Sandy Springs, BP
KG5WU (ANCS) ☐ Wayne, Sandy Springs, BP
N4SEC ☐ Jim, Alpharetta, BP
AK4NA ☐ Gary, Roswell, BP
W2FAL ☐ Frank, Sandy Springs
AK4EX ☐ Stuart, Sandy Springs
AK4TL ☐ Clyde, Mobile, Dunwoody, BP
KK4EFN ☐ Phil, Johns Creek, BP
AD4MC (NCS) - Mike, Sandy Springs, BP
BP = Battery Power
EL = EchoLink

Comments:
W4UOC,
GA ARES NET will be held on February 6th. See e-mail from Tom for details.

Next NFARES meeting on Tuesday, February 12 will cover the planned operation of the newly purchased Sandy Springs Fire Department mobile ham radios.

We welcome all NFARES members to be NCS at least once per year. The Net Script can be found at nfares.org.

The next scheduled net will be Sunday, February 10th. This net closed at 8:47 PM.

73,
Mike - AD4MC
404-981-8624

# 1792. Call for ham radio volunteers for Publix GA Marathon-Sun 3/17/13

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2013-02-05 01:27:16 UTC
From: ke4qcm
Topic: 1792  Message: 1792

Hello All, on behalf of KJ4GUY, Michael Gaertner,I am contacting N. Fulton ARES to invite ham radio operators to assist as volunteer communicators for the Publix Ga Marathon on Sun 3/17/13, mostly to be stationed at Aid Stations...if you are interested you can sign up at the following URL:

http://tinyurl.com/gamarathonsignup

* if you have any questions please contact Michael directly at:

michael.l.gaertner@...

thanks and 73,

KE4QCM
TOM
AEC NET OPS-DEKALB CO. ARES
ASEC REPORTING-GA ARES

# 1793. NFARES MEETING FEB 12, 2013 Brandon Hall School

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2013-02-07 19:29:42 UTC
From: w4uoc@...
Topic: 1793  Message: 1793

Join us at our next NFARES meeting at 7:00 PM on Tuesday, February 12, at the Brandon Hall School, Sandy Springs, to see a detailed demonstration of how we will be using ham radio with the police and fire departments. For those interested in having dinner at 6:00 p.m. with the Brandon Hall School students and other NFARES members please RSVP to me _w4uoc@..._ (mailto:w4uoc@...) before the meeting so we can get a head count for the kitchen. The cost for the meal is $8.00 .

The Sandy Springs Fire Department is building an even stronger relationship with NFARES.
Thanks to Deputy Chief Jeff Scarbrough, KK4ATX, working with Tom Koch, W4UOC, the SSFD has purchased two Icom 2820-H and 2 two 92AD radios to install in Chief Scarbrough's and Chief Mark Duke's fire department vehicles. .
These radios have both FM analog and D-STAR and cross band capabilities. As we demonstrated during the past three Simulated Emergency Tests and other drills, NFARES is working closely with North Fulton fire and police departments to enhance our emergency communications capabilities.

We will demonstrate the capabilities of these radios and provide some initial training on there use of these radios at this meeting.

# 1794. DINNER MENU FOR TUESDAY,FEBRUARY 12th

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2013-02-08 13:05:26 UTC
From: w4uoc@...
Topic: 1794  Message: 1794
Attachments: 1 described; binary payloads are missing from this source WARC

* DINNER MENU FOR NFARES ,FEBRUARY 12th
* HAM Guests are encouraged to arrive at 5:55 pm

* Beef Burgundy
* Lyonnaise Potatoes
* Fried Green Tomatoes
* Whole Wheat Roll

Yellow Cake with Icing

James Vaught, M.Ed. KK4IZN
Middle School Science
Brandon Hall School
1701 Brandon Hall Drive
Atlanta, GA 30350
Cell: 404-408-9239

# 1795. NFARES AGENDA - FEB 12, 2013

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2013-02-09 12:49:33 UTC
From: w4uoc@...
Topic: 1795  Message: 1795

The agenda for the FEB 12, 2013 NFARES meeting at Brandon Hall School is as follows:

5:55_ p.m._ (x-apple-data-detectors://101/) PRE MEETING DINNER with Brandon Hall School Students and Staff (RSVP) to _w4uoc@..._ (javascript:_e({}, 'cvml', 'w4uoc@...');)
The dinner cost is $8.00 cash only! (Correct cash is requested).

_7:00 p.m._ (x-apple-data-detectors://104/) WELCOME AND INTRODUCTIONS

_7:15 p.m._ (x-apple-data-detectors://105/) BUSINESS AGENDA
Sandy Springs Volunteer Insurance Program - Sign up / Beneficiary Designation Form

_7:30 p.m._ (x-apple-data-detectors://106/) PROGRAM
GAARES Reports - Wayne Chapman - KG5WU
Community Support Activities - Wayne Chapman - KG5WU
New Sandy Springs Fire/Rescue Amateur Radio Installations - Mike Cohen - AD4MC

Dinner Confirmations to date:
Tom Koch - W4UOC
Wayne Chapman - KG5WU
Mike Cohen - AD4MC
James Vaught - KK4IZN

# 1796. North Fulton ARES Net, 2/10/2013, 8:30 pm

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2013-02-09 20:30:45 UTC
From: nfares@yahoogroups.com
Topic: 1796  Message: 1796

Reminder from: nfares Yahoo! Group
http://groups.yahoo.com/group/nfares/cal

North Fulton ARES Net
Sunday February 10, 2013
8:30 pm - 9:00 pm
(GMT+00:00)
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# 1797. North Fulton ARES Meeting, 2/12/2013, 7:00 pm

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2013-02-10 19:00:57 UTC
From: nfares@yahoogroups.com
Topic: 1797  Message: 1797

Reminder from: nfares Yahoo! Group
http://groups.yahoo.com/group/nfares/cal

North Fulton ARES Meeting
Tuesday February 12, 2013
7:00 pm - 9:00 pm
(GMT+00:00)
Location: Brandon Hall School - 1701 Brandon Hall Drive Sandy Springs, GA 30350

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# 1798. Embrace Life - Always Wear Your Seat Belt

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2013-02-12 19:02:38 UTC
From: w4uoc@...
Topic: 1798  Message: 1798
Attachments: 1 described; binary payloads are missing from this source WARC

Embrace Life - Always Wear Your Seat Belt

_http://www.youtube.com/embed/h-8PBx7isoM_
(http://www.youtube.com/embed/h-8PBx7isoM)

Thomas E. Koch (Tom)
Rivergate Neighborhood Watch - Coordinator
rhanhw@...
404-314-6109

# 1799. North Fulton ARES Net, 2/17/2013, 8:30 pm

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2013-02-16 20:30:42 UTC
From: nfares@yahoogroups.com
Topic: 1799  Message: 1799

Reminder from: nfares Yahoo! Group
http://groups.yahoo.com/group/nfares/cal

North Fulton ARES Net
Sunday February 17, 2013
8:30 pm - 9:00 pm
(GMT+00:00)
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# 1800. North Fulton ARES Net, 2/24/2013, 8:30 pm

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2013-02-23 20:30:38 UTC
From: nfares@yahoogroups.com
Topic: 1800  Message: 1800

Reminder from: nfares Yahoo! Group
http://groups.yahoo.com/group/nfares/cal

North Fulton ARES Net
Sunday February 24, 2013
8:30 pm - 9:00 pm
(GMT+00:00)
Location: 147.06 NFARL repeater (PL 100)

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# 1801. NFARES 2-meter net, Sunday, February 24, 2012

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2013-02-25 03:25:16 UTC
From: MikeC
Topic: 1801  Message: 1801

We had 13 check-ins on the NFARES 2-meter net, Sunday, February 24, 2012

N4SEC ☐ Jim, Alpharetta, BP, ANCS
W4UOC - Tom , EC NFARES, Sandy Springs, BP
KK4IZN ☐ James, Sandy Springs, BP
KK4JYO ☐ Fred, Roswell, BP
KK4LJG ☐ Mike, E. Cobb
W4QO ☐ Jim, W. Roswell, BP
W4CJV ☐ Wayne, Alpharetta
AK4TL ☐ Clyde, Mobile, Dunwoody, BP
KK4EFN ☐ Phil, Johns Creek, BP
N4TOL ☐ John, Roswell
KG5WU ☐ Wayne, Sandy Springs, BP
AK4EX ☐ Stuart, Sandy Springs
AD4MC (NCS) - Mike, Sandy Springs, BP
BP = Battery Power
EL = EchoLink

Comments:
W4QO:
TechNet is tomorrow (Monday) night and the main topic will be EchoLink.

We welcome all NFARES members to be NCS at least once per year. The Net Script can be found at nfares.org.

The next scheduled net will be Sunday, March 3rd. This net closed at 8:54 PM.

73,
Mike - AD4MC
404-981-8624

# 1802. Fwd: Sandy Springs Challenge?

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2013-02-25 16:05:19 UTC
From: w4uoc@...
Topic: 1802  Message: 1802

Diane Fries SS City Council
Chief Jeff Scarbrough Fire/Rescue
Chief Mark Duke Fire/Rescue
Chief James Laudermilk Fire/Rescue/CERT
Capt Rob Stevens SSPD
Officer Mike Stark SSPD

Do you want any communications set up with the Amateur Radio Emergency Service to help with the upcoming Sandy Springs Challenge on May 5, 2013. We have been involved in the past with this event as well the race on GA-400 and North Fulton last year. We can combine this with CERT and their low power radios on the track around Sandy Springs Circle and the amateur radio on the longer ride. We have the ability to have amateur radios on motorcycles to be with the long range riders. We also have new radios in Chief Scarbrough's and Chief Duke's new emergency vehicles and Officer Mike Stark's police vehicle

However we need to know if we are needed in plenty of advance time. We can have GPS/APRS tracking for the longer rides and operate that from the EOC or from the Race Command Center.

Tom Koch - W4UOC
_w4uoc@..._ (mailto:w4uoc@...)
404-314-6109

_____
From: wcchapman@...
To: w4uoc@...
Sent: 2/25/2013 7:57:40 A.M. Eastern Standard Time
Subj: Sandy Springs Challenge?

Hi Tom,

Have you heard anything yet about the Sandy Springs Challenge for this year? It's scheduled for Sunday May 5.

_http://sandyspringschallenge.org/?page_id=3_
(http://sandyspringschallenge.org/?page_id=3)

Wayne

# 1803. CHIRP Files and software

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2013-02-26 01:35:15 UTC
From: MikeC
Topic: 1803  Message: 1803

NFARES Team,

If you check out http://groups.yahoo.com/group/nfares/files/CHIRP/ you will see the CHIRP .img files that I have started to upload. They have both the NFARES frequencies plus other gems that have been stored by some of the local hams.

You can download the CHIRP software at http://chirp.danplanet.com/projects/chirp/wiki/Home. This page shows the radios that are currently supported.

You can send me your CHIRP .img files and I'll add them to the folder. Please note the naming format: "CHIRP" "Radio model" "your callsign or functional name" "date"(yyyy-mm-dd).

We can discuss how to share and improve this info during our Sunday nets and NFARES meetings.

All comments are welcome. To be continued...

73,

Mike - AD4MC

# 1804. North Fulton ARES Net, 3/3/2013, 8:30 pm

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2013-03-02 20:30:41 UTC
From: nfares@yahoogroups.com
Topic: 1804  Message: 1804

Reminder from: nfares Yahoo! Group
http://groups.yahoo.com/group/nfares/cal

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Sunday March 3, 2013
8:30 pm - 9:00 pm
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# 1805. Fwd: Sunday-Mar 3rd Metro ARES Net Schedule and monthly reports

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2013-03-03 02:47:32 UTC
From: W4UOC
Topic: 1805  Message: 1805
Attachments: 2 described; binary payloads are missing from this source WARC

Sent from my iPhone

Begin forwarded message:

> From: "Jim Millsap-WB4NWS" <wb4nws@...>
> Date: March 2, 2013, 8:48:32 PM EST
> To: "Tom Koch \(North Fulton County\)" <w4uoc@...>, "Tim Rosing \(Rockdale County\)" <kc4elv@...>, "Roy Baker \(Clayton/Henry County\)" <rbaker4@bellsouth.net>, "Juan Quiroga \(Cherokee County\)" <juanpabloquiroga@...>, "John Davis \(Gwinnett County\)" <wb4qdx@...>, "George Olive, AI4UR EC-Dekalb Cnty" <ai4ur@...>, "Ed Humphries \(Cobb County\)" <ed@humphries.com>, "Dave Fuller \(Douglas/Paulding County\)" <davenesf@...>, "David Benoist \(Coweta/Fayette County\)" <ag4zr@...>, "Chris Balch \(South Fulton County\)" <kj4nax@...>, "Charles Davis \(Newton County\)" <wa4ujc@...>, "Guy McDonald-K4GTM ADEC Metro ARES" <guy_mcd@...>, "Randy Kerr ADEC- KD4KHO Metro ATL ARES" <rwkerr@...>
> Subject: Re: Sunday-Mar 3rd Metro ARES Net Schedule and monthly reports
>
> The monthly Metro ARES net is Sunday, March 3rd at 4pm on 145.430mhz, – minus offset, 107.2hz enc/dec. . I need someone to step up and call the net as Tim Rosing, EC-Rockdale cannot call it. I am home from the hospital after surgery and will not be able to call either. Please forward the number of checkins back to me via email when the net is over.
>
> Please remember to send in your monthly reports by the 5th.
>
> Please forward this email to your AEC’s so they will have a copy of the NET schedule and attached pre-amble. The pre-amble has been revised to include the NCS Schedule and other minor changes. Please save to your PC’s desktop
>
> Thank you for your faithfulness to send in your monthly reports. It is great to see your news and statistics each month. Listed below is the 2013 Metro Atlanta District ARES NCS schedule.
> January - South Fulton County (Jim WB4NWS called the net in Chris’ absence)
>
> February - Gwinnett County
>
> March - Rockdale County
>
> April - Clayton/Henry County
>
> May - Douglas/Paulding County
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> June - DeKalb County
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> July - Cherokee County

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> August - Coweta/Fayette County
>
> September - Cobb County
>
> October - Newton County
>
> November - North Fulton County
>
> December - DEC or ADEC-Metro
>
>
> Thanks,
>
> Jim Millsap-WB4NWS
> DEC-Metro Atlanta District ARES
> 770-355-0480 (c)

# 1806. NFARES 2-meter net, Sunday, March 3, 2012

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2013-03-04 02:43:51 UTC
From: MikeC
Topic: 1806  Message: 1806

We had 12 check-ins on the NFARES 2-meter net, Sunday, March 3, 2012

AK4TL (ANCS) ☐ Clyde, Dunwoody, BP
KK4LJG ☐ Mike, Stuart, FL EL
KD9RU ☐ Dave, Aiken, SC EL
N4SEC ☐ Jim, Alpharetta, BP
KK4EFN ☐ Phil, Johns Creek, BP
KG5WU ☐ Wayne, Sandy Springs, BP
KK4JYO ☐ Fred, Roswell, BP
AK4EX ☐ Stuart, Sandy Springs
AK4ZQ ☐ Charles, Cherokee County ARES
W2FAL ☐ Frank, Sandy Springs
W4QO ☐ Jim, W. Roswell, BP
AD4MC (NCS) - Mike, Sandy Springs, BP
BP = Battery Power
EL = EchoLink

Comments:
W4QO & W4UOC:
Checked in to the Atlanta ARES net (145.43) today

We welcome all NFARES members to be NCS at least once per year. The Net Script can be found at nfares.org.

The next scheduled net will be Sunday, March 10th. This net closed at 8:51 PM.

73,
Mike - AD4MC
404-981-8624

# 1807. Cost effective solution for mobile radio

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2013-02-22 23:10:11 UTC
From: Mike
Topic: 1807  Message: 1807

Some of you that may have people you know that may be interested in becoming a HAM but the equipment cost during this economic time may be a factor in their decision to play on the radio.

Cost has always been a consideration for me. I recently wanted to put a radio to my wife's car, my company car, and possibly my brother's car. My brother is considering taking his technician test.

With the new Chinese radios that have come on the market in the past few years, I decided to try a H/T solution with one of my Wouxun dual band H/T. This involved a battery eliminator, a reverse SMA to a SO-239 connector, a mag mount dual band antenna, and for good measure a remote speaker mic for ease of use. Working all around the north Atlanta area as well as Cherokee County, I have had no transmisson or receive problems. This seems to have worked out very well for me.
I have recently bought a BAOFENG UV-5R and am going to simulate the results that I have obtained with the Wouxun. Below is a breakdown of the cost of this:

BaoFeng UV-5R 136-174/400-480 MHz Dual-Band DTMF CTCSS DCS FM Ham Two Way Radio $45.00 (Amazon)Original Handheld BAOFENG UV-5R Speaker-mic for dual band radio $16.99 (Amazon)
MFJ MFJ-1724B 2M/440 DUO-BAND MOBILE ANTENNA $24.95 (HRO)

Female SMA to SO-239-$5-$10 (Amazon, Ebay)

Programming cable (a must have) $10 (Amazon, Ebay) The Wouxun cable works fine.

Chirp or VIP software (Chirp is much better) FREE

Total cost to get a rig up and running mobile is under $100. A battery eliminator (completely optional) will run about $10-15.

I was concerned with the quality of this new radio, but have found that it performs very well. When Wouxun first came out, there was a lot folks that wanted to speak ill of those little radios as well, but they have held their own. Check out the eham.com reviews of this radio.

http://www.eham.net/reviews/detail/10349 <http://www.eham.net/reviews/detail/10349> They are not all "PERFECT" but for the money, you really can't go wrong with this radio.

I've only had mine for a couple of days, but have received excellent signal report from the rubber duckie antenna supplied with the radio.

This has been from Holly Springs, standing outside.

The whole point of this is to let folks know that it IS possible to get a rig up an running for around $100.00. That may be the selling point for some potential new HAMS.

This also seems like a spectacular setup for using APRS with a Byonics TinyTrak unit
http://www.byonics.com/tinytrak/ <http://www.byonics.com/tinytrak/>

Let me know if I am way off base here.

73
Mike
N4MSS

# 1808. Kenwood 520S and SP-620 Speaker

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2013-03-09 15:26:49 UTC
From: w4uoc@...
Topic: 1808  Message: 1808

I am helping to dispose of a estate and have found a very clean and in good operating condition Kenwood 520S HF transceiver with matching external speaker. This would make a good first station for anyone looking for a good, clean, operational station. I have it at my home and can demonstrate is's operation.
Asking $250.00. No shipping and prefer you check it out at my home. I do not have the digital display accessory.

Tom Koch - W4UOC
8170 Habersham Waters Road
Sandy Springs, GA 30350
404-314-6109

SPECIFICATIONS
Type: Amateur HF transceiver Frequency range: 10-160 m Mode: SSB/CW RF Power output: Max 100 W Receiver system: N/A Sensitivity: 0.25 uV S+N/N 10 dB or more Selectivity: SSB: 2.4 KHz (-6 dB), 4.4 KHz (-60 dB) CW: 0.5 KHz (-6 dB), 1.5 KHz (-60 dB) with optional CW filter Image rejection: Better than 50 dB Voltage: 13.8 VDC or mains Current drain: RX: 5 A (heaters on), 0.6 A (heaters off)
TX: Max 15 A Impedance: 50-75 ohms, SO-239 Dimensions (W*H*D): 333*153*335 mm Weight: 16 Kg Manufactured: 19xx-19xx (Discontinued) Other: 3 tubes Related documents: _User manual_ (http://www.rigpix.com/kenwood/ts520s_manual.pdf) (3.8 MB) Modifications:

# 1809. Kenwood 820S SOLD

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2013-03-09 20:52:00 UTC
From: w4uoc@...
Topic: 1809  Message: 1809

The Kenwood 820S previously advertised has been sold to a NFARL member.

Tom Koch

# 1810. North Fulton ARES Net, 3/10/2013, 8:30 pm

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2013-03-09 21:30:35 UTC
From: nfares@yahoogroups.com
Topic: 1810  Message: 1810

Reminder from: nfares Yahoo! Group
http://groups.yahoo.com/group/nfares/cal

North Fulton ARES Net
Sunday March 10, 2013
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# 1811. A Dangerous Bargain

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2013-03-09 23:44:17 UTC
From: w4uoc@...
Topic: 1811  Message: 1811

A Dangerous Bargain
Gary Geissler, a Colorado-based IT specialist and high-tech advisor to Army MARS, sends this caution about a dangerous bargain in the ham radio marketplace.

The best buy these days in handheld transceivers are the ones from Hong Kong. The HTs are being purchased by amateurs, public service providers, and others in government organizations. Some versions have FCC and other type acceptance.
The transceivers sell for a fraction of the price of comparable units from the big three yet can work all the amateur and public service frequencies from the civil aircraft band to the top of the public service UHF band. They have many memories and features and can be programmed from a PC. Powered by big lithium ion batteries (included) they are a steal for $55.00.

Or so it would seem.
I work for Digital Globe Incorporated. As our corporation is an important government contractor we are working with the USG to resolve issued as they appear with regard to computer and Internet security. The software tools we use are among the strongest available anywhere (and as a result, the most intrusive and painful!)
So when I put the tiny driver CD that came with my [Chinese] handheld transceiver's programming cable into a machine to scan it I had no idea that the disk would pull an immediate alert. The alert was so strong that I could not go any further and determine contents, files, names of virus, and so forth.
The CD was given to our computer security department. They will process it and forward the results to their USG contact. This is only the second time I have seen an alert this strong. The other time (last week actually) was while downloading a .pdf research paper from a university researcher's site.
Lest anyone think otherwise, we are under attack. One might suspect that the "real" object of the exercise with regard to the very low cost of the Hong Kong HTs is the unseen present on the CDs. I'm not a conspiracy theory sort of guy; we can talk more about this at some point.
I might suggest a neutrally worded warning to destroy any driver CDs that come with Hong Kong HTs; the Prolific USB/RS-232 drivers are available at no charge from US sites and the public domain open source CHIRP software is more than adequate for programming the radios in any event.
Gary AAR8GI
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# 1812. Heathkit Amateur Radio Equipment For Sale - Buckhead Estate

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2013-03-10 18:06:29 UTC
From: w4uoc@...
Topic: 1812  Message: 1812

I am helping the widow of a radio amateur dispose of the following Heathkit equipment.

Comanche MR1 receiver works fine - good cosmetic condition $75.00 + shipping
Cheyenne MT1 transmitter works fine - good cosmetic condition $75.00 + shipping
HP-20 power supply works fine - good cosmetic condition $55.00 + shipping

HP-20 power supply works fine - good cosmetic condition $55.00 + shipping
HS-24 mobile speaker - good cosmetic condition $25.00 + shipping

HS-24 mobile speaker - good cosmetic condition $25.00 + shipping

HR-1680 receiver, works but needs switches and pots cleaned $60.00 + shipping

SB-303 receiver - good cosmetic condition works but needs switches/pots cleaned $125.00 + shipping
SB-610 monitor scope works good cosmetic condition $85.00 + shipping
SB-630 station console works fine, good cosmetic condition $70.00 + shipping
SB-600 speaker works fine, average cosmetic condition $43.00 + shipping

SB-102 transceiver works fine, average cosmetic condition $150.00 + shipping
PS-23 power supply works fine, good cosmetic condition $70.00 + shipping
SB-600 speaker average cosmetic condition $40.00 + shipping

HP-10 monitor scope works fine good cosmetic condition $75.00 + shipping

HP-10 monitor scope works fine good cosmetic condition $75.00 + shipping

SB-104 transceiver lights up no extender boards so I can not repair it. $100.00 + shipping
SB-604 power supply speaker works good $100.00 + shipping
SB-634 station monitor good cosmetic condition but not working, lights up $75.00 + shipping
SB-614 monitor scope good cosmetic condition but not working, lights up $75.00 + shipping

Pictures available on request. Prefer local pickup! Will consider a bulk purchase offer.

Thomas Koch - W4UOC
8170 Habersham Waters Road
Sandy Springs, GA 30350 (Metro Atlanta)
404-314-6109

# 1813. North Fulton ARES Meeting, 3/12/2013, 7:00 pm

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2013-03-10 19:01:05 UTC
From: nfares@yahoogroups.com
Topic: 1813  Message: 1813

Reminder from: nfares Yahoo! Group
http://groups.yahoo.com/group/nfares/cal

North Fulton ARES Meeting
Tuesday March 12, 2013
7:00 pm - 9:00 pm
(GMT+00:00)
Location: Brandon Hall School - 1701 Brandon Hall Drive Sandy Springs, GA 30350

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# 1814. Re: [nfares] North Fulton ARES Meeting, 3/12/2013, 7:00 pm

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2013-03-10 20:24:09 UTC
From: Mike Cohen
Topic: 1813  Message: 1814

This month's meeting will cover the Radio Programming Software, CHIRP, written by Dan Smith, KK7DS. If you want a head start, download the software before the meeting, http://chirp.danplanet.com, and bring your laptop, radio(s) and programming cable(s). We'll help you do some hands-on programming of the NFARES frequencies even if your radio is not one of the ones that is directly supported by CHIRP.

73,
Mike, AD4MC & Wayne, KG5WU

On Sun, Mar 10, 2013 at 3:01 PM, <nfares@yahoogroups.com> wrote:

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>
> Reminder from: *nfares Yahoo! Group<http://groups.yahoo.com/group/nfares/cal>
> * Title: North Fulton ARES Meeting Date: Tuesday March 12, 2013
> Time: 7:00 pm - 9:00 pm (GMT+00:00) Location: Brandon Hall School -
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# 1815. NFARES MEETING MARCH 12, 2013, 7:00 PM BRANDON HALL SCHOOL

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2013-03-11 12:51:56 UTC
From: w4uoc@...
Topic: 1815  Message: 1815

NFARES MEETING MARCH 12, 2013, 7:00 PM BRANDON HALL SCHOOL

For those planning on joining the group for dinner at the Brandon Hall School
dining room at the 5:55 you will find the menu below.
Please RSVP to James Vaught KK4IZN _jvaught@..._
(mailto:jvaught@...) by Monday
evening March 11th if possible so we can determine the headcount for dinner.

•Baked Herb Chicken
•Lyonnaise Potatoes
•Fried Green Tomatoes
•Whole Wheat Roll

The program for Tuesday's meeting will be "Programing Radios using CHIRP software"

Tom Koch - W4UOC
EC North Fulton ARES

# 1816. North Fulton ARES Net, 3/17/2013, 8:30 pm

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2013-03-16 20:30:31 UTC
From: nfares@yahoogroups.com
Topic: 1816  Message: 1816

Reminder from: nfares Yahoo! Group
http://groups.yahoo.com/group/nfares/cal

North Fulton ARES Net
Sunday March 17, 2013
8:30 pm - 9:00 pm
(GMT+00:00)
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# 1817. NFARES Sunday Night Net 2013-03-17

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2013-03-18 11:12:06 UTC
From: Wayne
Topic: 1817  Message: 1817

NFARES Sunday Night Net
(13 participants) 2013-03-17 30 mins

AD4MC (NCS) - Mike Cohen
KG5WU (NCS) - Wayne Chapman
AK4EX - Stuart Williams
AK4ZQ - Charles Cole
K4GTM - Guy McDonald
KK4JYO - Fred Ackley
KK4LJG - Mike Birmingham
KK4PCR - Grant Register
N4SEC - Jim Paine
W4CJV - Wayne Rand
W4QO - Jim Stafford
W4UOC - Tom Koch
W5JR - Mike Roden

Announcements / comments:

w4qo - Technet 830p Monday
w4qo - NFARL club meeting 730p Tuesday - topic is Digital Mobile Radio
kk4jyo - Question about node number for N4SBD-R Echolink (522043)
w4uoc - Talked about Ellijay Hamfest

# 1818. Fldigi and MT-63 transmission and receive problems

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2013-03-20 17:32:22 UTC
From: Mike Cohen
Topic: 1818  Message: 1818

If you have been having garbled messages when transmitting or receiving with Fldigi and MT-63, the information in this YouTube video may give you a solution:

http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=-1wZ7uIA-Qs

You can download CheckSR.exe from:

http://www.pa-sitrep.com/NBEMS/fldigi_calibration.htm

Good luck and let me know if you have any questions.

73,
Mike - AD4MC

Mike Cohen
(404) 981-8624

# 1819. North Fulton ARES Net, 3/24/2013, 8:30 pm

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2013-03-23 20:30:32 UTC
From: nfares@yahoogroups.com
Topic: 1819  Message: 1819

Reminder from: nfares Yahoo! Group
http://groups.yahoo.com/group/nfares/cal

North Fulton ARES Net
Sunday March 24, 2013
8:30 pm - 9:00 pm
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# 1820. Sandy Springs Fire Stations - Equipment Review

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2013-03-24 19:31:34 UTC
From: w4uoc@...
Topic: 1820  Message: 1820

Let's discuss these items during the NFARES net this evening.

Need some ideas or suggestions for the upcoming NFARES programs.

Last week while doing my COP patrols I went to all the Sandy Springs Fire Stations to check out the radios.

1 - Icom two meter radio and P/S ok
2 Kenwood 700 radio with internal P/S ok
3 Kenwood 700 radio with internal P/S ok ( needs coax extended in the ceiling about 20 ft.)
4 Kenwood 700 radio with internal P/S ok

I have radios for all three the Johns Creek stations but need power supplies.

I have a SignaLink USB for the EOC but may need to put jumpers in it to match the Yaesu 144/440 radio.
There is a computer at that site and it works.

I need a volunteers:
1. Install the coax extension at SS 3
2. Connect the SignaLink at the EOC.

The Icom 2820 radios are at the SS FD HQ and waiting to get them installed in the two command vehicles.

Wayne Rand and/or Phil Wolf
Would you be interested in taking over AEC responsibilities for the Johns Creek fire stations and interface with the fire department management?
Primarily Chief Chad McGibboney. Fire Stations 61, 62, 63. All have external installed antennas and coax

# 1821. NFARES Sunday Night Net 2013-03-24

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2013-03-25 10:27:16 UTC
From: Wayne
Topic: 1821  Message: 1821

NFARES Sunday Night Net
(13 participants) 2013-03-24 30 mins

AK4TL (NCS) - Clyde McClain
KG5WU (NCS) - Wayne Chapman

AD4MC - Mike Cohen
AK4EX - Stuart Williams
K4WSW - Bill Weathers
KJ4OYR - Will Adams
KK4IZN - James Vaught
KK4LJG - Mike Birmingham
KK4PCR - Grant Register
N4SEC - Jim Paine
W4CJV - Wayne Rand
W4QO - Jim Stafford
W4UOC - Tom Koch

Comments/Announcements:
w4uoc - see earlier email about Sandy Springs Fire Dept radios
w4uoc - wants suggestions for upcoming NFARES meetings
w4qo - technet monday at 830p - topic is club websites
w4cjv - suggestion to cover FEMA courses at NFARES meetings
k4wsw - NFARL hamcram April 20, Saturday 8a-5p
w4qo - reminder about one inch binder to hold ARES related docs

# 1822. North Fulton ARES Net, 3/31/2013, 8:30 pm

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2013-03-30 20:30:35 UTC
From: nfares@yahoogroups.com
Topic: 1822  Message: 1822

Reminder from: nfares Yahoo! Group
http://groups.yahoo.com/group/nfares/cal

North Fulton ARES Net
Sunday March 31, 2013
8:30 pm - 9:00 pm
(GMT+00:00)
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# 1823. North Fulton ARES 3/31/2013 Net Report

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2013-04-01 15:26:53 UTC
From: w4uoc@...
Topic: 1823  Message: 1823

North Fulton ARES net March 31, 2013
20:30 hrs EDT 147.06 close 20:59 hrs EDT
11 checkins
BP = Battery or Backup power

W4UOC - TOM NCS BP
K4DMM - DARREN BP
KK4IZN - JAMES BP
N4SEC - JIM BP
K4SQC - JOHN
W4QO - JIM BP
AD4MC - MIKE BP
AK4EX - STUART
N4SBD - SCOTT BP
KK4YJO - FRED BP
W5JR - MIKE

Announcementws:
W4QO - Tech Net Reminder Monday April 1, 2013 20:30 hrs
AD4MC - ARES notebook

# 1824. North Fulton ARES Net, 4/7/2013, 8:30 pm

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2013-04-06 20:30:27 UTC
From: nfares@yahoogroups.com
Topic: 1824  Message: 1824

Reminder from: nfares Yahoo! Group
http://groups.yahoo.com/group/nfares/cal

North Fulton ARES Net
Sunday April 7, 2013
8:30 pm - 9:00 pm
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# 1825. North Fulton ARES Meeting, 4/9/2013, 7:00 pm

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2013-04-07 19:01:07 UTC
From: nfares@yahoogroups.com
Topic: 1825  Message: 1825

Reminder from: nfares Yahoo! Group
http://groups.yahoo.com/group/nfares/cal

North Fulton ARES Meeting
Tuesday April 9, 2013
7:00 pm - 9:00 pm
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# 1826. NFARES 2-meter net, Sunday, April 7, 2012

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2013-04-08 20:55:14 UTC
From: MikeC
Topic: 1826  Message: 1826

We had 13 check-ins on the NFARES 2-meter net, Sunday, April 7, 2012

W4UOC ☐ Tom, EC N. Fulton, Sandy Springs BP
N4SEC ☐ Jim, FL, EL, BP
N4SBD ☐ Scott, Alpharetta, BP
KK4LJG ☐ Mike, E. Cobb
KK4JYO ☐ Fred, Roswell, BP
KG5WU ☐ Wayne, Sandy Springs, BP
AK4EX ☐ Stuart, Sandy Springs
KK4PCR ☐ Grant, Sandy Springs, BP
KK4IZN ☐ James, Sandy Springs, BP
AK4VV ☐ Christian, Roswell, BP
KJ4OYR ☐ Will, Roswell
W4QO ☐ Jim, W. Roswell, BP
AD4MC (NCS) - Mike, Sandy Springs, BP
BP = Battery Power
EL = EchoLink

Comments:
W4UOC:
Our next NFARES meeting will be on Tuesday, April 9 at the Brandon Hall School. Please let Tom, W4UOC, know if you plan to join us for dinner at the school before the meeting.

The meeting program will include information on FEMA courses by Tom, W4UOC; APRS & local events by Wayne, KG5WU; and HF digital modes for ARES by Mike, AD4MC.

W4QO:
Join us for Tech Net on Monday evening on 145.47 (-) PL 100Hz at 8:30 PM.

We welcome all NFARES members to be NCS at least once per year. The Net Script can be found at nfares.org.

The next scheduled net will be Sunday, April 13h. This net closed at 8:46 PM.

73,
Mike - AD4MC
404-981-8624

# 1827. NFARES Meeting Tuesday April 9th Brandon Hall School

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2013-04-09 17:23:18 UTC
From: w4uoc@...
Topic: 1827  Message: 1827

Just a reminder about the NFARES meeting tonight April 9th starting a 7:00 p.m.

For those interested in joining us for dinner be there ready to eat a 5:45 p.m.

It would be helpful to know how many plan to attend dinner. RSVP to Tom W4UOC _w4uoc@..._ (mailto:w4uoc@...) and James KK4IZN _jvaught@..._ (mailto:jvaught@...) if you are planning on joining us for dinner.

We will have three programs/demonstrations:

ICS (FEMA) certification process. (Tom Koch W4UOC)

APRS utilization during cycle events and marathons. (Wayne Chapman KG5WU)

FLdigi/Flmsg procedures using HF radios. (Mike Cohen AD4MC)

Hope to see you tonight.

Tom - W4UOC

# 1828. How to Use Google Chrome to Remotely Access Your Computer

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2013-04-10 02:51:55 UTC
From: MikeC
Topic: 1828  Message: 1828

From tonight's NFARES meeting...

How to Use Google Chrome to Remotely Access Your Computer

http://www.howtogeek.com/142146/how-to-use-google-chrome-to-remotely-access-your-computer/?utm_source=newsletter&utm_medium=email&utm_campaign=010413

73,

Mike - AD4MC

# 1829. North Fulton ARES Net, 4/14/2013, 8:30 pm

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2013-04-13 20:30:31 UTC
From: nfares@yahoogroups.com
Topic: 1829  Message: 1829

Reminder from: nfares Yahoo! Group
http://groups.yahoo.com/group/nfares/cal

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# 1830. Fwd: [northgadigitalnet] North Georgia Digital Net, 4/15/2013, 8:30 pm

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2013-04-16 01:40:08 UTC
From: Mike Cohen
Topic: 1830  Message: 1830

This evening, I checked in to the North Georgia Digital NET, that is headed up by Charles, W4CLE. Charles and I worked together when he first set up this net. I mentioned to Charles that some of the NFARES team would like to get some more digital practice and he graciously welcomed all to join in. So with that invitation, I highly recommend that you do check in as often as you can. To get all the net announcements, it would be helpful if you would also join the group at the link below.

Happy digital practice !!

73,
Mike - AD4MC

Mike Cohen
(404) 981-8624

---------- Forwarded message ----------
From: <northgadigitalnet@yahoogroups.com>
Date: Mon, Apr 15, 2013 at 5:30 PM
Subject: [northgadigitalnet] North Georgia Digital Net, 4/15/2013, 8:30 pm
To: northgadigitalnet@yahoogroups.com

Reminder from: *northgadigitalnet Yahoo! Group<http://groups.yahoo.com/group/northgadigitalnet/cal>
* Title: North Georgia Digital Net Date: Monday April 15, 2013 Time: 8:30 pm - 10:00 pm (GMT-05.00) Eastern Time (US & Canada) Location: W4TL Repeater 145.31 (-600hz) PL 123 Notes: The North Georgia Digital net is held each Monday evening at 8:30 PM on the W4TL Repeater (145.31 -600 hz, PL 123) located on Wauka Mountain north of Gainesville, GA. Please make plans to join us Get reminders on your mobile, Yahoo! Messenger, and email.
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# 1831. North Fulton ARES Net, 4/21/2013, 8:30 pm

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2013-04-20 20:30:36 UTC
From: nfares@yahoogroups.com
Topic: 1831  Message: 1831

Reminder from: nfares Yahoo! Group
http://groups.yahoo.com/group/nfares/cal

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# 1832. NFARES Sunday Night Net 2013-04-21

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2013-04-22 02:18:56 UTC
From: Wayne
Topic: 1832  Message: 1832

NFARES Sunday Night Net
(15 participants) 2013-04-21 30 mins

AD4MC (NCS) - Mike Cohen
KG5WU (NCS) - Wayne Chapman
AK4EX - Stuart Williams
AK4NA - Garry Brass
AK4TL - Clyde McClain
KD9RU - Dave Hazell
KF4UPO - Michael Lozano
KI4DSO - George Lane
KJ4CFT - John O'Brien
KJ4OYR - Will Adams
KK4IZN - James Vaught
KK4JYO - Fred Ackley
KK4LJG - Mike Birmingham
N4SEC - Jim Paine
W4UOC - Tom Koch

Announcements:

AD4MC - North Georgia Digital Traffic Net - every Monday night - 830-10p local - 145.31-T123
AD4MC - HamCram last Saturday - 7 attended, 6 passed

# 1833. Fwd: [northgadigitalnet] Tonights net

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2013-04-22 13:59:54 UTC
From: Mike Cohen
Topic: 1833  Message: 1833

FYI

73,
Mike - AD4MC

Mike Cohen
(404) 981-8624

---------- Forwarded message ----------
From: Charles Locke <lockec@...>
Date: Mon, Apr 22, 2013 at 9:23 AM
Subject: [northgadigitalnet] Tonights net
To: northgadigitalnet@yahoogroups.com

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Reminder the net will resume next Monday night 4-29. Tonight we could not locate a net control.

See you the 29th and 73,

Charles W4CLE

# 1834. North Fulton ARES Net, 4/28/2013, 8:30 pm

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2013-04-27 20:30:34 UTC
From: nfares@yahoogroups.com
Topic: 1834  Message: 1834

Reminder from: nfares Yahoo! Group
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# 1835. Fwd: [northgadigitalnet] North Georgia Digital Net, 4/29/2013, 8:30 pm

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2013-04-29 00:54:34 UTC
From: Mike Cohen
Topic: 1835  Message: 1835

FYI See below...

73,
Mike - AD4MC

Mike Cohen
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Date: Sun, Apr 28, 2013 at 8:31 PM
Subject: [northgadigitalnet] North Georgia Digital Net, 4/29/2013, 8:30 pm
To: northgadigitalnet@yahoogroups.com

Reminder from: *northgadigitalnet Yahoo!
Group<http://groups.yahoo.com/group/northgadigitalnet/cal>
* Title: North Georgia Digital Net Date: Monday April 29, 2013 Time:
8:30 pm - 10:00 pm (GMT-05.00) Eastern Time (US & Canada) Location: W4TL
Repeater 145.31 (-600hz) PL 123 Notes: The North Georgia Digital net is
held each Monday evening at 8:30 PM on the W4TL Repeater (145.31 -600 hz,
PL 123) located on Wauka Mountain north of Gainesville, GA. Please make
plans to join us Get reminders on your mobile, Yahoo! Messenger, and
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# 1836. NFARES Net Report 4/28/2013

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2013-04-29 17:43:50 UTC
From: w4uoc@...
Topic: 1836  Message: 1836

North Fulton Amateur Radio Emergency Service ( NFARES ) VHF Net Report
Sunday April 28, 2013 20:30 EDT 147.06 FM
14 Check ins

W4UOC TOM NCS BP GAARES digital net and ssb net (2 hrs)
AD4MC MIKE ANCS BP
N4SEC JIM BP
KK4JYO FRED BP
K4SQC JOHN
AK4NA ARY BP
K4YJI Bill BP
KK4LJG MIKE
KK4IZN JAMES BP
W4QO JIM BP
AK4EX TUART
KK4PCR GRANT
KJ4CQJ ELLIOTT
KG5WU WAYNE BP

Announcements/Discussions
GA-400 cycle ride June 30, 2012
FEMA course certification processes
Digital net activity and training
NFARES Meeting scheduled for May 14, 2012 7:00, Brandon Hall School, Dinner at 5:45 p.m.
Agenda: GA 400 Cycle Event, FEMA training courses, APRS review and applications.

# 1837. New Sandy Springs Incident Comman Vehicles.

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2013-05-01 17:04:33 UTC
From: w4uoc@...
Topic: 1837  Message: 1837
Attachments: 5 described; binary payloads are missing from this source WARC

Chief Scarbrough met me yesterday to show off the incident commander's communications console recently installed in his and Chief Duke's new command vehicles.

Each vehicle has the following capabilities:
1 Sandy Springs, Fulton County and ChatCom network radios.
2 Computers and monitors
3 GPS APRS
4 Wireless access
5 Icom 2820 D/star and analog VHF/UHF radio and 92AD handheld radio for cross band operation.

A incident commanders desk, computer and radios pull out of the cabinet at a normal desk level and can be covered with a tent canopy over the rear of the vehicle.

Hopefully we will display this vehicle at one of our next NFARES meetings.

# 1838. NFARES Meeting and Dinner Schedules for May and June 2013

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2013-05-03 13:33:27 UTC
From: w4uoc@...
Topic: 1838  Message: 1838

TUESDAY 14 MAY is the last week of School. Dinner on Tuesday night will be served at 5:00PM TO THE BOARDING STUDENTS. The food service can accommodate the NFARES group at 5:30 and still get things cleaned up for the evening. Dinner that night will be Chicken and some sort of Potatoes. Just wanted to give you a heads up so members can be aware of this schedule change.

TUESDAY 11 JUNE we will be in Summer School and I believe the dinner is served at 5pm during Summer School so we would be at a 5:30 time for NFARES. As soon as the schedule comes out I will let you know for sure about June, July and August.

Please know that there will be no affect on using the Conference room as you have been,just a change in meals. The NFARES meeting will start at 7:00 p.m.

Please try to RSVP to _jvaught@..._ (mailto:jvaught@...) if you plan to join the group for dinner a couple of days before the meetings.

James Vaught, KK4IZN
Middle School Science
Brandon Hall School
1701 Brandon Hall Drive
Atlanta, GA 30350
Cell: 404-408-9239

# 1839. North Fulton ARES Net, 5/5/2013, 8:30 pm

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2013-05-04 20:30:39 UTC
From: nfares@yahoogroups.com
Topic: 1839  Message: 1839

Reminder from: nfares Yahoo! Group
http://groups.yahoo.com/group/nfares/cal

North Fulton ARES Net
Sunday May 5, 2013
8:30 pm - 9:00 pm
(GMT+00:00)
Location: 147.06 NFARL repeater (PL 100)

Notes:
Everyone is welcome to check into this net whether a NFARES member or not. Learn some techniques for how to handle emergency situations.

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# 1840. Fwd: [northgadigitalnet] North Georgia Digital Net, 5/6/2013, 8:30 pm

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2013-05-06 01:28:05 UTC
From: Mike Cohen
Topic: 1840  Message: 1840

FYI

73,
Mike - AD4MC

Mike Cohen
(404) 981-8624

---------- Forwarded message ----------
From: <northgadigitalnet@yahoogroups.com>
Date: Sun, May 5, 2013 at 8:30 PM
Subject: [northgadigitalnet] North Georgia Digital Net, 5/6/2013, 8:30 pm
To: northgadigitalnet@yahoogroups.com

Reminder from: *northgadigitalnet Yahoo!
Group<http://groups.yahoo.com/group/northgadigitalnet/cal>
* Title: North Georgia Digital Net Date: Monday May 6, 2013
Time: 8:30
pm - 10:00 pm (GMT-05.00) Eastern Time (US & Canada) Location: W4TL
Repeater 145.31 (-600hz) PL 123 Notes: The North Georgia Digital net is
held each Monday evening at 8:30 PM on the W4TL Repeater (145.31 -600 hz,
PL 123) located on Wauka Mountain north of Gainesville, GA. Please make
plans to join us Get reminders on your mobile, Yahoo! Messenger, and
email.
Edit reminder options<http://groups.yahoo.com/group/northgadigitalnet/caloptions>
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# 1841. NFARES 2-meter net, Sunday, May 5, 2013

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2013-05-06 15:10:25 UTC
From: MikeC
Topic: 1841  Message: 1841

We had 14 check-ins on the NFARES 2-meter net, Sunday, May 5, 2013

W4UOC ☐ Tom, EC N. Fulton, Sandy Springs BP
KG5WU (ANCS) ☐ Wayne, Sandy Springs, BP
AK4NA ☐ Gary, Roswell, BP
KK4JYO ☐ Fred, Roswell, BP
W4QO ☐ Jim, W. Roswell, BP
KE3EM ☐ Bob, Roswell
KK4LJG ☐ Mike, E. Cobb
N4SEC ☐ Jim, Alpharetta, BP
AK4EX ☐ Stuart, Sandy Springs
KJ4CQJ ☐ Elliott, Doraville, DeKalb ARES, BP
KK4PCR ☐ Grant, Sandy Springs, BP
K4WSW ☐ Bill, Alpharetta, BP
KK4QQB ☐ Bill, Alpharetta, BP
AD4MC (NCS) - Mike, Sandy Springs, BP
BP = Battery Power
EL = EchoLink

Comments:
Our next NFARES meeting will be on Tuesday, May 14th at the Brandon Hall School. Please let Tom, W4UOC, know if you plan to join us for dinner at the school before the meeting.

The meeting program will include: Information on FEMA courses by Tom, W4UOC, and the GA 400 Cycle Event, APRS review and applications by Wayne, KG5WU.

W4QO:
Join us for Tech Net on Monday evening on 145.47 (-) PL 100Hz at 8:30 PM.

We welcome all NFARES members to be NCS at least once per year. The Net Script can be found at nfares.org.

The next scheduled net will be Sunday, My 12th. This net closed at 9:12 PM.

73,
Mike - AD4MC
404-981-8624

# 1842. FT- 450 & FT 2800M FOR SALE

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2013-05-08 16:03:24 UTC
From: w4uoc@...
Topic: 1842  Message: 1842

I am helping to dispose of some estate equipment that is in excellent cosmetic and electrical condition with the original boxes and manuals. This equipment is currently at my home. If you are interested in purchasing it you are welcome to visit my shack and operate the equipment. I will not ship it. You will need a 20Amp or greater 12vdc power supply for the FT-450.

Tom Koch - W4UOC
8170 Habersham Waters Road
Sandy Springs, GA 30350
404-314-6109

The FT-450 is a 160-10 meter ssb, cw, am radio with a build in antenna tuner and the price is $600.00

SPECIFICATIONS
Type: Amateur HF/VHF transceiver Frequency range: TX: 10-160 m + WARC / 6 m RX: 0.03-56 MHz Mode: AM/FM/NFM/SSB/CW RF Power output: 100 / 100 W

The FT -2800M is a two meter 50 watt radio and the price is $100.00

FT- 2800M Heavy-Duty 144 Mhz FM Transceiver
High power output, a huge, easy-to-read display, and one-touch WIRES™ Internet Linking Access capability are yours with the rugged new FT-2800M!

# 1843. Re: [nfarl] FT- 450 & FT 2800M FOR SALE

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2013-05-08 21:55:06 UTC
From: w4uoc@...
Topic: 1843  Message: 1843

The FT-2800M has been sold.
Tom Koch
404-314-6109

In a message dated 5/8/2013 12:03:45 P.M. Eastern Daylight Time,
w4uoc@... writes:

I am helping to dispose of some estate equipment that is in excellent
cosmetic and electrical condition with the original boxes and manuals.
This equipment is currently at my home. If you are interested in
purchasing it you are welcome to visit my shack and operate the equipment.
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# 1844. 99 Life Hacks to make your life easier!

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2013-05-09 14:49:17 UTC
From: Mike Cohen
Topic: 1844  Message: 1844

Some are off topic, but others are really useful for hams...

99 Life Hacks to make your life easier!
http://siriuslymeg.tumblr.com/post/33738057928/99-life-hacks-to-make-your-life-easier

# 1845. Re: [nfarl] FT- 450 & FT 2800M FOR SALE

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2013-05-08 22:20:25 UTC
From: Bill Weathers
Topic: 1843  Message: 1845

The FT-450 is a very nice rig; would be a great
starter for any new General Class operator or
aspiring Technicians planning ahead.
This is the rig, actually a FT-450D, used at the
NFARL GOTA station at field day - compact, nice
filter features with DSP and internal tuner.

If anyone has questions about the features if the
FT-450; contact me to discuss - I made many a DX
contact in my short time in the hobby.....QRP to
100 Watts.

Bill K4WSW
678.296.6919

On 5/8/2013 5:55 PM, w4uoc@... wrote:
>
> The FT-2800M has been sold.
> Tom Koch
> 404-314-6109
> In a message dated 5/8/2013 12:03:45 P.M.
> Eastern Daylight Time, w4uoc@... writes:
>
> I am helping to dispose of some estate
> equipment that is in excellent cosmetic and
> electrical condition with the original boxes
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> This equipment is currently at my home. If
> you are interested in purchasing it you are
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> equipment.
> I will not ship it. You will need a 20Amp
> or greater 12vdc power supply for the FT-450.
> Tom Koch - W4UOC
> 8170 Habersham Waters Road
> Sandy Springs, GA 30350
> 404-314-6109
> *_The FT-450 is a 160-10 meter ssb, cw, am
> radio with a build in antenna tuner and the
> price is $600.00_*
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> *Type:* Amateur HF/VHF transceiver
> *Frequency range:* TX: 10-160 m + WARC / 6 m

> RX: 0.03-56 MHz
> *Mode:* AM/FM/NFM/SSB/CW
> *RF Power output:* 100 / 100 W
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> **
>
> *FT- 2800M Heavy-Duty 144 Mhz FM Transceiver *
>
> *High power output, a huge, easy-to-read
> display, and one-touch WIRES™ Internet
> Linking Access capability are yours with the
> rugged new FT-2800M!*
>
>

# 1846. North Fulton ARES Net, 5/12/2013, 8:30 pm

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2013-05-11 20:30:38 UTC
From: nfares@yahoogroups.com
Topic: 1846  Message: 1846

Reminder from: nfares Yahoo! Group
http://groups.yahoo.com/group/nfares/cal

North Fulton ARES Net
Sunday May 12, 2013
8:30 pm - 9:00 pm
(GMT+00:00)
Location: 147.06 NFARL repeater (PL 100)

Notes:
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# 1847. NFARES Meeting May 14, 2013

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2013-05-12 17:30:06 UTC
From: w4uoc@...
Topic: 1847  Message: 1847

North Fulton Amateur Radio Emergency Service (NFARES) meeting will be held at the Brandon Hall School Tuesday evening 7:00 p.m. May 14, 2013.

Those interested in joining the pre-meeting group for dinner with the students at 5:30 should RSVP their intentions to, James Vaught KK4IZN _jvaught@..._ (mailto:jvaught@...) , so we can have a fairly accurate head count. The cost for dinner is $8.00.

The agenda for this months NFARES meeting will include:

1. To open the meeting, Chief Jeff Scarbrough, Chief Mark Duke and Mike Cohen will display and demonstrate the capabilities of two new Fire/Rescue Command Vehicles and the newly installed NFARES communications equipment. The demonstration will be in the Brandon Hall School parking lot at 7:00 p.m.

2. Review of the FEMA certification efforts by our NFARES members.

3. Wayne Chapman KG5WU will lead a discussion about the communications preparations for the upcoming GA-400 Cycle event, Wayne will review the APRS and voice communication modes that will be utilized during the event. You will have an opportunity to sign up for a volunteer position for the Cycle event.

I look forward to seeing you at the meeting.

Tom Koch - W4UOC
EC - North Fulton ARES

# 1848. North Fulton ARES Meeting, 5/14/2013, 7:00 pm

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2013-05-12 19:01:03 UTC
From: nfares@yahoogroups.com
Topic: 1848  Message: 1848

Reminder from: nfares Yahoo! Group
http://groups.yahoo.com/group/nfares/cal

North Fulton ARES Meeting
Tuesday May 14, 2013
7:00 pm - 9:00 pm
(GMT+00:00)
Location: Brandon Hall School - 1701 Brandon Hall Drive Sandy Springs, GA 30350

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# 1849. Fwd: [northgadigitalnet] North Georgia Digital Net, 5/13/2013, 8:30 pm

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2013-05-13 01:17:44 UTC
From: Mike Cohen
Topic: 1849  Message: 1849

FYI

73,
Mike - AD4MC

Mike Cohen
(404) 981-8624

---------- Forwarded message ----------
From: <northgadigitalnet@yahoogroups.com>
Date: Sun, May 12, 2013 at 8:31 PM
Subject: [northgadigitalnet] North Georgia Digital Net, 5/13/2013, 8:30 pm
To: northgadigitalnet@yahoogroups.com

Reminder from: *northgadigitalnet Yahoo!
Group<http://groups.yahoo.com/group/northgadigitalnet/cal>
* Title: North Georgia Digital Net Date: Monday May 13, 2013
Time: 8:30
pm - 10:00 pm (GMT-05.00) Eastern Time (US & Canada) Location: W4TL
Repeater 145.31 (-600hz) PL 123 Notes: The North Georgia Digital net is
held each Monday evening at 8:30 PM on the W4TL Repeater (145.31 -600 hz,
PL 123) located on Wauka Mountain north of Gainesville, GA. Please make
plans to join us Get reminders on your mobile, Yahoo! Messenger, and
email.
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# 1850. NFARES 2-meter net, Sunday, May 12, 2013

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2013-05-13 02:30:41 UTC
From: MikeC
Topic: 1850  Message: 1850

We had 14 check-ins on the NFARES 2-meter net, Sunday, May 12, 2013

AK4EX (NCS) ☐ Stuart, Sandy Springs
AD4MC (ANCS) - Mike, Sandy Springs, BP
KD9RU ☐ Dave, Aiken, SC, BP, EL
KK4LJG ☐ Mike, E. Cobb, EL, BP
KC2ESU ☐ Joey, White Plains, NY, EL
N4SEC ☐ Jim, Alpharetta, BP
KK4IZN ☐ James, Sandy Springs, BP
W4QO ☐ Jim, W. Roswell, BP
KG5WU ☐ Wayne, Sandy Springs, BP
KJ4CQJ ☐ Elliott, Doraville, DeKalb ARES, EL, BP
W4CJV - Wayne, Alpharetta, BP
AK4TL ☐ Clyde, Dunwoody, EL, BP
KK4QQB ☐ Bill, Alpharetta, BP
N4MSS ☐ Mike, Holly Springs
BP = Battery Power
EL = EchoLink

Comments:
Our next NFARES meeting will be on Tuesday, May 14th at the Brandon Hall School. Please let James, KK4IZN, jvaught@..., know if you plan to join us for dinner (5:30 PM this month) at the school before the meeting.

The meeting program will include: A demonstration of the capabilities of the two new Sandy Springs Fire/Rescue Command Vehicles and the newly installed NFARES communications equipment. (This will "officially" start at 7:00 PM, but we will "unofficially" start when we finish dinner around 6:00 PM. Set your radio to 146.49 Simplex to runs some tests with us.); Information on FEMA courses by Tom, W4UOC, and the GA 400 Cycle Event, APRS review and applications by Wayne, KG5WU.

W4QO:
Join us for Tech Net on Monday evening on 145.47 (-) PL 100Hz at 8:30 PM.

We welcome all NFARES members to be NCS at least once per year. The Net Script can be found at nfares.org.

The next scheduled net will be Sunday, May 19th. This net closed at 9:03 PM.

73,
Mike - AD4MC
404-981-8624

# 1851. Fwd: [northgadigitalnet] Digital Net tonight

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2013-05-13 23:52:52 UTC
From: Mike Cohen
Topic: 1851  Message: 1851

FYI

73,
Mike - AD4MC

Mike Cohen
(404) 981-8624

---------- Forwarded message ----------
From: Charles Locke <lockec@...>
Date: Mon, May 13, 2013 at 7:51 PM
Subject: [northgadigitalnet] Digital Net tonight
To: northgadigitalnet@yahoogroups.com

**

Hi everyone, I am still having shack issues with interference on the 145.310 repeater pair we use for the net. Tom N4TAW is away on vacation and won't be able to back me up tonight so we will need to postpone this weeks net until next week. Hopefully by then I will have my fox hunt complete and issue resolved. Please by all means, feel free to meet up anyway and practice among yourselves.

73,

Charles W4CLE

# 1852. North Fulton ARES Net, 5/19/2013, 8:30 pm

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2013-05-18 20:31:36 UTC
From: nfares@yahoogroups.com
Topic: 1852  Message: 1852

Reminder from: nfares Yahoo! Group
http://groups.yahoo.com/group/nfares/cal

North Fulton ARES Net
Sunday May 19, 2013
8:30 pm - 9:00 pm
(GMT+00:00)
Location: 147.06 NFARL repeater (PL 100)

Notes:
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# 1853. Fwd: [northgadigitalnet] Monday night nets

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2013-05-19 00:51:11 UTC
From: Mike Cohen
Topic: 1853  Message: 1853

FYI

73,
Mike - AD4MC

Mike Cohen
(404) 981-8624

---------- Forwarded message ----------
From: Charles Locke <lockec@...>
Date: Sat, May 18, 2013 at 4:22 PM
Subject: [northgadigitalnet] Monday night nets
To: northgadigitalnet@yahoogroups.com

**

I met with Tom N4TAW yesterday evening over dinner and discussed the digital net over the summer months. Participation has decreased as the weather has become better as folks choose to be outside more in the evenings, me included. We came to a conclusion that maybe shutting the net down over the summer months and picking back up in the fall might be a good idea. It allows us all to take a breather and maybe come up with some new idea's for the fall nets. If anyone would like to pick up net control through the summer, please do so and let me know so I can make you a group owner. I've really enjoyed working with everyone and look forward to picking it back up when the weather gets a little cooler. If we don't have any volunteers, please keep your membership open with this Yahoo Group and look for things to crank back up in a few months.

73,

Charles W4CLE
Tom N4TAW

# 1854. 2013 Atlanta Hamfest Forum Schedule Announced

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2013-05-23 20:41:11 UTC
From: JP OConnor
Topic: 1854  Message: 1854

The Kennehoochee ARC and Atlanta ARC have joined forces to present the 2013 Atlanta Hamfest on Sat 01 Jun 2013 at Jim Miller Park located at 2245 Callaway Rd., Marietta (Cobb County), GA.

Full details may be found here: http://www.w4bti.org/hamfest.html

The forum schedule is confirmed:

08:00 am - Linux in the Shack - Jorge DeLatorre, NN4QQ (NOTE: Laptop raffle to all forum attendees)

09:00 am - Summits On The Air - Christian Kuhtz AK4VV - Georgia SOTA Area Manager

10:00 am - D-Star - John Davis WB4QDX - "Mr. D-Star"

11:00 am - ARRL GA Section and Southeastern Division - Greg Sarratt W4OZK, ARRL Southeastern Division Director & Gene Clark W4AYK, ARRL Georgia Section Manager

12:00 pm - Ham Radio Deluxe - Neil Foster N4FN & Ian Kahn KM4IK - "HRD Super Users"

01:00 pm - ARES - Ed Humphries N5RCK - Emergency Coordinator, Cobb County (GA) ARES

02:00 pm - QRP - Ken Evans W4DU - President QRP Amatuer Radio Club International (QRP ARCI)

See you there!

JP - WF4Z

# 1855. Amateurs in Oklahoma Respond

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2013-05-24 01:28:26 UTC
From: w4uoc@...
Topic: 1855  Message: 1855

Amateurs in Oklahoma Respond to Storm Aftermath
swept through Oklahoma on May 20, radio amateurs in that state assisted the American Red Cross with its communications efforts. “Amateur Radio operators were asked to support voice communications from the American Red Cross Oklahoma City Chapter Headquarters to their feeding station at the Incident Command Post located in Moore,” explained ARRL Oklahoma Section Emergency Coordinator Mark Conklin, N7XYO. Moore, located about halfway between Norman and Oklahoma City, suffered the brunt of the tornado damage. As of 8:30 CDT on May 22, all Amateur Radio operations in support of the American Red Cross ceased.

At least 24 people, including nine children, were killed when the 1.3-mile wide tornado moved through Moore, Oklahoma’s seventh largest city. The National Weather Service stated that _the tornado traveled an estimated 17-mile-long path for 50 minutes, with an estimated peak wind that ranged from 200-210 miles per hour_ (http://www.srh.noaa.gov/oun/?n=events-20130520-pns) , making it an EF5 storm, the most powerful category of tornados possible.
In addition to the American Red Cross, members of the Salvation Army Team Emergency Radio Network (_SATERN_ (http://www.satern.org/) ) were also in Moore, ready to support and assist with the Amateur Radio response. According to ARRL Oklahoma Section Manager Kevin O’Dell, N0IRW, the tornados disrupted cellular service in the affected areas.
“I have been in regular contact with Oklahoma Section officials since yesterday morning,” said ARRL Emergency Preparedness Manager Mike Corey, KI1U. “ Through the _ARRL EmComm Twitter feed_ (https://twitter.com/ARRL_EMCOMM) and regular communication with our national partners, the ARRL has been sharing information on the Amateur Radio response to the Moore tornado. Our folks in Oklahoma who have been assisting the American Red Cross and the Salvation Army have been doing a great job and they have my heartfelt thanks for the work they are doing for their community.”
Corey also stressed that those who wish to assist with response efforts in Oklahoma should not self-deploy. “The ARES leadership in the Oklahoma Section has everything under control and there is no need for volunteers from outside the Section,” he said. “If you would like to assist in the overall recovery effort, please check out the _website_ (http://www.nvoad.org/current-disasters/tornadoes) of National Voluntary Organizations Active in
Disasters (VOAD).”

# 1856. North American Mission Board - Disaster Relief amatuer station relocation

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2013-05-24 17:20:18 UTC
From: w4uoc@...
Topic: 1856  Message: 1856

NFARES Members

We have been asked to help move the radio equipment at the North American Mission Board - Disaster Relief organization to a new permanent location on the 3rd floor. I have committed to do the move on Wednesday morning June 5th starting at 9:00 a.m. If you want to join me and have a badge for the Disaster Relief group please wear it.

If you don't have a badge you will sign up as a guest.

Let me know if you think you can help by return email. This might be a good chance to see the NAMB radio equipment and its new location.

The NAMB is located on the east side of North Point Parkway about three blocks south of Old Milton Hwy.

Tom Koch - W4UOC
EC - NFARES

Great to talk with you this morning, Tom. We appreciate your willingness to help us with the radios.
I think you have a DR badge, if you do you can just sign in at the front desk and come around to the DOC. We are in a temporary space across from the previous DOC location. It is the room you walk straight into when you walk past the current radio setup.
Fritz Wilson, our SBDR Executive Director will be here to meet with you. His cell phone number is 678.879.3640 should your plans change please let him know. You can also call him when you arrive if you do not have a DR badge.

Cathy Miller, D. Min.
Disaster Relief
North American Mission Board
770.410.6443 (Office)
864.617.0646 (Mobile)
678 624 3676 (FAX)

# 1857. North Fulton ARES Net, 5/26/2013, 8:30 pm

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2013-05-25 20:30:33 UTC
From: nfares@yahoogroups.com
Topic: 1857  Message: 1857

Reminder from: nfares Yahoo! Group
http://groups.yahoo.com/group/nfares/cal

North Fulton ARES Net
Sunday May 26, 2013
8:30 pm - 9:00 pm
(GMT+00:00)
Location: 147.06 NFARL repeater (PL 100)

Notes:
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# 1858. Re: North American Mission Board - Disaster Relief amatuer station relocation

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2013-05-29 02:45:11 UTC
From: w4uoc@...
Topic: 1856  Message: 1858

I have made a error... the move at the NAMB is tomorrow Wednesday May 29th
if you can still come.

Tom Koch - W4UOC
404-314-6109

In a message dated 5/24/2013 1:20:18 P.M. Eastern Daylight Time,
W4UOC@... writes:

NFARES Members

We have been asked to help move the radio equipment at the North American
Mission Board - Disaster Relief organization to a new permanent location
on the 3rd floor. I have committed to do the move on Wednesday morning
XXXJune 5th XXXstarting at 9:00 a.m. If you want to join me and have a badge
for the Disaster Relief group please wear it.

If you don't have a badge you will sign up as a guest.

Let me know if you think you can help by return email. This might be a
good chance to see the NAMB radio equipment and its new location.

The NAMB is located on the east side of North Point Parkway about three
blocks south of Old Milton Hwy.

Tom Koch - W4UOC
EC - NFARES

Great to talk with you this morning, Tom. We appreciate your willingness
to help us with the radios.
I think you have a DR badge, if you do you can just sign in at the front
desk and come around to the DOC. We are in a temporary space across from the
previous DOC location. It is the room you walk straight into when you walk
past the current radio setup.
Fritz Wilson, our SBDR Executive Director will be here to meet with you.
His cell phone number is 678.879.3640 should your plans change please let
him know. You can also call him when you arrive if you do not have a DR
badge.

Cathy Miller, D. Min.
Disaster Relief
North American Mission Board
770.410.6443 (Office)
864.617.0646 (Mobile)
678 624 3676 (FAX)

# 1859. Fwd: [Gwinnett ARES] Thursday night 8PM

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2013-05-30 13:55:43 UTC
From: Mike Cohen
Topic: 1859  Message: 1859

The Gwinnett ARES team is having digital training this evening and have welcomed NFARES to join them. Here are the details:

ARES Digital Training (not practice) Net [Thursday] at 8PM on 147.075 (+) PL 82.5Hz & 53.110.
Come learn how to run NBEMS (FLDigi + FLMsg). All questions, newbie through expert, are welcome. On this net you can do acoustic coupling (placing your radio next to your computer) if you do not have a rig interface.

If you have used NBEMS before but not since the SET, this is a great opportunity to re-familiarize yourself with the software and say, "how do I ____ again?" without any pressure.

73,
Kyle
W4KDA
.....
If you are going to attend the digital net tonight, please install version 3.21.72 fldigi.
have flmsg 1.1.32 and flwrap 1.3.4 installed.
We will go through the menus and what you want to use during an ARES deployment.
We will talk about interfacing with your radio and type interface to use.
This will get you familiar the program and how to navigate through the menus to receive a message.
We will use the ic-213 form from FLMsg tonight.
The mode for tonight will be mt63-2KL(mt63-2K)
If we have time we will cover other modes.
See you tonight.

David
KA4KKF
.....

Thanks to the Gwinnett ARES team for inviting us to join them.

73,
Mike - AD4MC

Mike Cohen
(404) 981-8624

Reply via web post<http://groups.yahoo.com/group/gwinnettares/post;_ylc=X3oDMTJwbGExaHA5BF9TAzk3MzU5NzE0BGdycElkAzQxMTc2MDMEZ3Jwc3BJZAMxNzA1MDYzMTA4BG1zZ0lkAzMzMjEEc2VjA2Z0cgRzbGsDcnBseQRzdGltZQMxMzY5ODI5ODU4?act=reply&messageNum=3321>

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to sender <kyle@...?subject=Re%3A%20Thursday%20night%208PM> Reply
to group
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Recent Activity:

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Visit the Gwinnett ARES website at http://www.gwinnettares.org
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# 1860. NFARES Initial Deployment Frequencies

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2013-05-30 23:50:05 UTC
From: Mike Cohen
Topic: 1860  Message: 1860
Attachments: 1 described; binary payloads are missing from this source WARC

NFARES Team,

There have recently (and admittedly in the past) been requests to publish methods to deploy or "muster" for NFARES radio communications during an emergency.

Thanks to a collaborative effort from Tom - W4UOC, Wayne - KG5WU, Jim - N4SEC and Jim - W4QO, we have put together a list of frequencies and the tactical calls that we will use for those frequencies. Jim, W4QO, also set up a Twitter account that can send us a cell phone text message, assuming that Twitter is available during the emergency.

Please open the attached file and print it. You can place a copy in your NFARES ring binder and anywhere else where you you would like to have a quick reference sheet.

I have also uploaded the attached PDF file and four CHIRP files with the updated information for the Boefeng UV-3R &, UV-5R, Wouxun KG-UV series and the Yaesu FT60 to http://groups.yahoo.com/group/nfares/files/CHIRP/.

You can download the latest version of CHIRP at
http://chirp.danplanet.com/projects/chirp/wiki/Download

We'll go over this information in detail at our next NFARES meeting on Tuesday, June 11th. Let me know if you have any suggestions to improve this process.

73,
Mike - AD4MC

Mike Cohen
(404) 981-8624

# 1861. New Product Announcements at Dayton

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2013-05-31 15:14:10 UTC
From: chuck_ae4cw
Topic: 1861  Message: 1861

For those who did not make make the trek to Dayton (and even if you did,
who could see it all!) here is a great list of new product announcements
provided courtesy of CQ Newsroom: Dayton - New Product Announcements
<http://www.cq-amateur-radio.com/cq_highlights/2013_cq/2013_06_cq/2013_d\
ayton_new_products/2013_dayton_new_products.html>
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Chuck, AE4CW

# 1862. North Fulton ARES Net, 6/2/2013, 8:30 pm

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2013-06-01 20:30:45 UTC
From: nfares@yahoogroups.com
Topic: 1862  Message: 1862

Reminder from: nfares Yahoo! Group
http://groups.yahoo.com/group/nfares/cal

North Fulton ARES Net
Sunday June 2, 2013
8:30 pm - 9:00 pm
(GMT+00:00)
Location: 147.06 NFARL repeater (PL 100)

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# 1863. NFARES Field Day Involvement June 22-23

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2013-06-03 12:10:46 UTC
From: w4uoc@...
Topic: 1863  Message: 1863
Attachments: 1 described; binary payloads are missing from this source WARC

I have some thoughts pertaining to NFARES involvement at the NFARL Field Day and would be interested in your thoughts, additional ideas and/or comments. It is my understanding the Field Day organizers want our participation to be primarily a ARES demonstration area. We will finalize our field day involvement planning at the June 11th NFARES meeting at Brandon Hall School.

I am requesting your thoughts and input for the Field Day Event participation...

Should we ???

1. Set up the inflatable Sandy Springs FD inflatable building along with the HVAC and Generator which is for the most part an enclosed structure with limited visual access!

2. Set up the CERT tent which has good visibility but no weather protection other than shade .

3. Set up both the hut and the building

4. Have an operational VHF, UHF, Analog and/or D/Star radio with FLdigi and or D/Rats with the ability to transmit text messages for the Field Day needs and to send messages for visitors via Winlink/Winmor, etc. This station should not interfere with the HF contesting events.

5. We can display the NFARES, CERT and MARS banners.

6. With a larger monitor in the hut we could show a loop video of past ARES/CERT videos.

7. We need NFARES personal to schedule some time to act as hosts for our demonstration area primarily on Saturday AM for set up and/or noon to dark.

Tom Koch - W4UOC
_w4uoc@..._ (mailto:w4uoc@...)

# 1864. NFARES 2-meter net, Sunday, June 2, 2013

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2013-06-04 01:53:26 UTC
From: MikeC
Topic: 1864  Message: 1864

We had 9 check-ins on the NFARES 2-meter net, Sunday, June 2, 2013

W4UOC ☐ Tom, EC NFARES, Sandy Springs, BP
KD9RU ☐ Dave, Aiken, SC, BP, EL
KK4JYO ☐ Fred, Roswell, BP
KK4LJG ☐ Mike, E. Cobb, EL, BP
KK4PCR/AG ☐ Grant, Sandy Springs, BP
N4SEC ☐ Jim, Alpharetta, Mobile, BP
KG5WU ☐ Wayne, Sandy Springs, BP
KE3EM ☐ Bob, Roswell
AD4MC (NCS) - Mike, Sandy Springs, BP
BP = Battery Power
EL = EchoLink

Comments:

Congratulations to Grant, KK4PCR, for successfully upgrading to General Class.

Our next NFARES meeting will be on Tuesday, June 11th at the Brandon Hall School. Please let James, KK4IZN, jvaught@..., know if you plan to join us for dinner (5:30 PM this month) at the school before the meeting.

The meeting program will include:
1) A discussion of the NFARES participation at this year's NFARL Field Day event. Tom, W4UOC
2) Information on FEMA courses. Tom, W4UOC
3) Discussion of methods of "mustering" NFARES volunteers during a real emergency. Mike, AD4MC
4) GA 400 Cycle Event update Wayne, KG5WU.

W4UOC:
Checked in to the digital ARES net.

We welcome all NFARES members to be NCS at least once per year. The Net Script can be found at nfares.org.

The next scheduled net will be Sunday, June 9th. This net closed at 8:52 PM.

73,
Mike - AD4MC
404-981-8624

# 1865. Fwd: NFARES Setup and Display for Field Day

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2013-06-06 11:42:09 UTC
From: w4uoc@...
Topic: 1865  Message: 1865
Attachments: 1 described; binary payloads are missing from this source WARC

North Fulton ARES involvement at Field Day.

I suggest that the only operational radio that we have set up would be my ID-800 with D/Star, D/Rats, and analog FLdigi, Flmsg to send messages thru the Internet for visitors to family members and to send A field day message for points to the national traffic system. Being on VHF and UHF we will not cause any QRM or interference for the Field Day HF stations. We will also display the NFARES Banner, a MARS banner and possible show a loop video in the enclosure of past CERT and NFARES activities that we have participated in.

Were going to need NFARES members to host our display on Saturday and possible Sunday morning.

Tom Koch - W4UOC
EC - North Fulton ARES

You may have the best set up of anyone there! I'm excited to see the inflatable building.

Scott

On Thu, Jun 6, 2013 at 7:20 AM, <_W4UOC@..._ (mailto:W4UOC@...) > wrote:

Scott - KB4KBS

Here is a picture of what we will be setting up for Field Day. I believe the foot print of the hut is about 20x20
has it's own HVAC, power, lights, etc. the trailer has chairs, tables and misc stuff. We will set up Saturday morning at about 9:00 a.m. primarily for a Saturday afternoon and evening display and I not sure if we will keep it up Sunday. That depends on if I can get NFARES members to man it ! I don't want to do it alone,
We will finalize these details at the NFARES meeting at Brandon Hall School on Tuesday evening, June 11th.

Tom Koch - W4UOC

# 1866. North Fulton ARES Net, 6/9/2013, 8:30 pm

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2013-06-08 20:30:32 UTC
From: nfares@yahoogroups.com
Topic: 1866  Message: 1866

Reminder from: nfares Yahoo! Group
http://groups.yahoo.com/group/nfares/cal

North Fulton ARES Net
Sunday June 9, 2013
8:30 pm - 9:00 pm
(GMT+00:00)
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# 1867. North Fulton ARES Meeting, 6/11/2013, 7:00 pm

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2013-06-09 19:01:02 UTC
From: nfares@yahoogroups.com
Topic: 1867  Message: 1867

Reminder from: nfares Yahoo! Group
http://groups.yahoo.com/group/nfares/cal

North Fulton ARES Meeting
Tuesday June 11, 2013
7:00 pm - 9:00 pm
(GMT+00:00)
Location: Brandon Hall School - 1701 Brandon Hall Drive Sandy Springs, GA 30350

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# 1868. North Fulton ARES Meeting June 11, 2013

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2013-06-09 21:57:11 UTC
From: w4uoc@...
Topic: 1868  Message: 1868

The North Fulton ARES meeting, scheduled for Tuesday June 11, 2013 will be held at the Brandon Hall School at 1701 Brandon Hall Drive, starting at 7:00 p.m.

Those interested in joining us for dinner at the Brandon Hall School dining hall should be there by 5:15 p.m.
If you plan to join the group for dinner, please RSVP to James Vaught KK4IZN via email to _jvaught@..._ (mailto:jvaught@...)

Agenda for this meeting will consist of the following subjects and/or programs.

1. Final preparations and duty assignments for the GA-400 Hospitality Bike Ride scheduled for June 30th.

2. Final preparations for the Sandy Springs Fireworks display on Saturday, July 6th, utilizing the SSFD ARES simplex communications network equipment in conjunction with the Sandy Springs CERT organization.

3. Emergency call out procedures for the North Fulton ARES support.

4. Update on our support of the North American Mission Board - Disaster Relief and the relocation of their amateur radio station.

# 1869. July 6th Sandy Springs Stars and Stripes Celebration

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2013-06-09 23:52:48 UTC
From: w4uoc@...
Topic: 1869  Message: 1869

EVENT INFO: On July 6, stars and sparklers will illuminate the skies over the city of Sandy Springs in celebration of the nation's birthday.

Join us for the inaugural Sandy Springs Stars and Stripes Celebration. Gates open at 6:30. Patriotic music from the band, Shiloh, starts at 7:30 p.m., with fireworks set to dazzle the sky at 9:45 p.m.

Watch from the lawn of the Concourse Corporate Center for free. Parking is available in Concourse Parking Decks Five and Six, with parking for handicapped guests in Parking Deck Four.

CERT SandySprings

# 1870. NFARES Initial Deployment Freqencies file

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2013-06-12 02:12:37 UTC
From: MikeC
Topic: 1870  Message: 1870

Here is the link to the NFARES Initial Deployment Freqencies file:

http://groups.yahoo.com/group/nfares/files/CHIRP/

73,
Mike - AD4MC

# 1871. Cell phone failure

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2013-06-12 23:16:13 UTC
From: w4uoc@...
Topic: 1871  Message: 1871

Until probably my cell phone is not working.
I dropped it in the pool but fortunately it was insured by AT&T and will be replaced.
I am going to try and dry it out but it not I will get a replacement iphone by Monday.

Email is ok until then.

Tom

# 1872. North Fulton ARES Net, 6/16/2013, 8:30 pm

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2013-06-15 20:30:36 UTC
From: nfares@yahoogroups.com
Topic: 1872  Message: 1872

Reminder from: nfares Yahoo! Group
http://groups.yahoo.com/group/nfares/cal

North Fulton ARES Net
Sunday June 16, 2013
8:30 pm - 9:00 pm
(GMT+00:00)
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# 1873. NFARES 2013 VHIS INSURANCE FORMS

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2013-06-19 17:00:38 UTC
From: w4uoc@...
Topic: 1873  Message: 1873
Attachments: 1 described; binary payloads are missing from this source WARC

I am cleaning up and/or updating the Sandy Springs VFIS insurance form files and need additional 2013 forms from any that had not signed the 2013 forms at the NFARES meeting on June 11, 2013

Here is a copy of the forms on record at the SSFD as of today.

VFIS INSURANCE FORMS RECEIVED
Michael Lozano KF4UPO

Stuart Williams AK4EX
James Vaught KK4IZN
Fred Ackley KK4JYO
Wayne Chapman KG5WU
Bill Hatherley W2ASL
Michael Birmingham KK4LJG
Steve Knittel KC4YBO
Wayne Rand W4CJV
Jim Paine N4SEC
Charles Grant Register KK4PCR
Daniel Robert Alford KK4LZV
Mike Cohen AD4MC Need
2013 form
Tom Koch W4UOC
Gary Brass AK4NA
Need 2013 form
I have attached the VFIS bland forms that you can fill out, sign and either send it to me or scan the form and email it to Melinda Carter to _mcarter@..._ (mailto:mcarter@...) and also copy me at _tekoch@..._ (mailto:tekoch@...) so I can keep a record that it has been submitted.

# 1874. North Fulton ARES Net, 6/23/2013, 8:30 pm

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2013-06-22 20:30:35 UTC
From: nfares@yahoogroups.com
Topic: 1874  Message: 1874

Reminder from: nfares Yahoo! Group
http://groups.yahoo.com/group/nfares/cal

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# 1875. Bike Ride Support - 145.470 Repeater Use Sunday June 30

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2013-06-26 00:21:05 UTC
From: Jim Paine
Topic: 1875  Message: 1875

North Fulton ARES, along with the support of NFARL, is providing communications for the Georgia 400 Hospitality Highway Bike Ride.  We will be using the 145.470  2 meter repeater Sunday June 30 from about 6:30 am until about 4:30 pm.  Although we will be operating a "Net", we will not have exclusive use of the repeater for this time period.  This arrangement worked well for everybody last year. This event could have as many as 2,000 participants.  We have scheduled about 40 ham radio operators to work the event.

Here are some details of the ride: http://www.ga400century.com/

Jim Paine - N4SEC
NFARES  Liaison

# 1876. AJC Peachtree Road Race 2013 - amateur radio volunteers needed!

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2013-06-26 04:05:49 UTC
From: David Ziskind, KE4QLH
Topic: 1876  Message: 1876

Still looking for a few more ham radio operators for the Peachtree Road Race on July 4.

It doesn't matter if you're experienced or a brand new ham, we've got a position for you.

If you're running and are willing to carry your radio, please sign up and let me know. We already have 2 running hams confirmed!

Please sign up at this link:
http://www.doitsports.com/volunteer2/info.tcl?job_id=17368613

73,
David Ziskind KE4QLH
ke4qlh@...

# 1877. Reminder - Bike Ride Support - 145.470 repeater use Sunday June 30

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2013-06-29 00:06:09 UTC
From: Jim Paine
Topic: 1877  Message: 1877

Just a reminder:

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Here are some details of the ride: http://www.ga400century.com/

Jim Paine - N4SEC
NFARES  Liaison

Jim Paine - N4SEC

# 1878. North Fulton ARES Net, 6/30/2013, 8:30 pm

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2013-06-29 20:30:45 UTC
From: nfares@yahoogroups.com
Topic: 1878  Message: 1878

Reminder from: nfares Yahoo! Group
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# 1879. Georgia 400 Hospitality Highway Bike Ride - Thank You!

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2013-06-30 20:41:39 UTC
From: Jim Paine
Topic: 1879  Message: 1879

NFARES, along with NFARL members, provided a valuable service to our community today by providing outstanding communications support for this event.  There were a number of positive comments from the organizers and especially the participants, some 1,800 of them!  A special thank you goes out to NFARL for the use of the 145.470 repeater for most of the day. The repeater provided the coverage needed (the ride course covered about 150 square miles) and performed flawlessly.  Our Ham Radio volunteers had a great day of public service!

Jim Paine - N4SEC
NFARL / NFARES Liasion

# 1880. NFARES 2-meter net, Sunday, June 30, 2013

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2013-07-01 17:46:09 UTC
From: MikeC
Topic: 1880  Message: 1880

We had 12 check-ins on the NFARES 2-meter net, Sunday, June 30, 2013

N4SEC ☐ Jim, Alpharetta, Mobile, BP
KK4LJG ☐ Mike, E. Cobb, EL, BP
W4QO (ANCS) ☐ Jim, W. Roswell, BP
KG5WU ☐ Wayne, Sandy Springs, BP
KK4PCR ☐ Grant, Sandy Springs, BP
AK4ZQ ☐ Charles, S.E. Cherokee
NK4)KN ☐ Will, Roswell, BP
W5JR ☐ Mike, Alpharetta
KI4DSO - George, Norcross
KK4RGK ☐ Darrell, Roswell
KK4DMU ☐ Hugh, Roswell, BP
AD4MC (NCS) - Mike, Sandy Springs, BP
BP = Battery Power
EL = EchoLink (Not available)

Comments:
Jim ☐ W4QO
Technet Monday night 8:30 PM, 145.47
13 Colonies event - http://www.arrl.org/news/13-colonies-special-event-set

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We welcome all NFARES members to be NCS at least once per year. The Net Script can be found at nfares.org.

The next scheduled net will be Sunday, July 7th. This net closed at 8:52 PM.

73,
Mike - AD4MC
404-981-8624

# 1881. Fwd: July 9th NFARES Meeting Agenda Ideas?

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2013-07-03 14:50:06 UTC
From: Ham
Topic: 1881  Message: 1881
Attachments: 1 described; binary payloads are missing from this source WARC

Sent from my iPhone

Begin forwarded message:

> From: James Vaught <jvaught@...>
> Date: July 3, 2013, 9:59:37 AM EDT
> To: W4UOC@aol.com
> Subject: Re: July 9th NFARES Meeting Agenda Ideas?
>
> Dinner this month JULY will be served at 5:40 for folks attending the NFARES Meeting.
>
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> Certified Master Naturalist
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>
> On Jul 3, 2013, at 8:45 AM, W4UOC@... wrote:
>
>> Do you have any suggestions / ideas for the July NFARES Meeting Agenda?
>>
>> Review recent deployments What went right and what didn't work so well:
>>
>> Ga 400 Bike Ride - Wayne KG5WU
>>
>> July 6th Fire Works Assistance - Stuart AK4EX

>>
>> Review presentation of 2012 SET - Mike AD4MC
>>
>> Start planning ideas for 2013 SET in October- Mike AD4MC
>> Probably not much change but try to get more served agencies covered and complete antenna installations at two Milton fire stations.
>> Establish a co-chairman for the SET.
>>
>> I will not be available to help with the SET as Peg and I will be in Europe (our 50th annv) for a large chunk of October.
>>
>> Your ideas?
>>
>> Tom
>

# 1882. Re: Fwd: July 9th NFARES Meeting Agenda Ideas?

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2013-07-04 14:02:26 UTC
From: Captain
Topic: 1881  Message: 1882

An idea came up in a previous meeting which I thought was worth pursuing. In a real emergency we would probably be staying home to care for our families but we might make arrangements for a neighbouring ARES group such as Gwinett ARES to take over our stations, and we would be available to move to theirs when they are in trouble. It would be fairly easy to meet with them and discuss the idea. It would be a novel approach to a SET as well which would probably gain some attention in the press.

73 Garry AK4NA

# 1883. North Fulton ARES Net, 7/7/2013, 8:30 pm

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2013-07-06 20:30:39 UTC
From: nfares@yahoogroups.com
Topic: 1883  Message: 1883

Reminder from: nfares Yahoo! Group
http://groups.yahoo.com/group/nfares/cal

North Fulton ARES Net
Sunday July 7, 2013
8:30 pm - 9:00 pm
(GMT+00:00)
Location: 147.06 NFARL repeater (PL 100)

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# 1884. Re: NFARES SUPPORT FOR SANDY SPRINGS FIRE WORKS JULY 6TH

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2013-07-07 16:30:39 UTC
From: Mike Cohen
Topic: 1884  Message: 1884

NFARES Communications Support Team,

In spite of the weather and possibly because of the weather, the first annual Sandy Springs Stars & Stripes Celebration was a success. The downpour before the start of the actual fireworks meant that there was little or no chance for falling embers to start a fire.

A big thanks for supporting this event and once again demonstrating that ham radio operators can provide reliable communications when needed. Most of the time, when we provide communications for an event, it is actually a drill to show that we are ready for an actual emergency. Last night's event was not a drill. We were called on assist the Sandy Springs Fire Department provide additional spotter information to detect fires from falling embers. Again, the heavy rain made that unlikely, but we were there if it had been needed.

I have uploaded the pictures that I have so far at
http://groups.yahoo.com/group/nfares/files/2013%20SANDY%20SPRINGS%20FIREWORKS/

Please send me any additional pictures that you took during the event and I will upload them too.

Wayne, KG5WU, has already sent some comments on how we can improve our support for the next event. Additional comments are welcomed and we can do a review at our NFARES meeting this coming Tuesday.

73,
Mike - AD4MC

Mike Cohen
(404) 981-8624

# 1885. North Fulton ARES Meeting, 7/9/2013, 7:00 pm

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2013-07-07 19:01:02 UTC
From: nfares@yahoogroups.com
Topic: 1885  Message: 1885

Reminder from: nfares Yahoo! Group
http://groups.yahoo.com/group/nfares/cal

North Fulton ARES Meeting
Tuesday July 9, 2013
7:00 pm - 9:00 pm
(GMT+00:00)
Location: Brandon Hall School - 1701 Brandon Hall Drive Sandy Springs, GA 30350

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# 1886. Metro Atlanta Districe ARES NCS Schedule

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2013-07-07 20:28:54 UTC
From: w4uoc@...
Topic: 1886  Message: 1886

North Fulton ARES will need to designate a Net Control Station (NCS) for the November Metro Net which is held the first Sunday of each month starting at 16:00 hrs on the 145.430 repeater which is sponsored by the Cherokee County ARES organization.

Listed below is the 2013 Metro Atlanta District ARES NCS schedule.

January - South Fulton County
February - Gwinnett County
March - Rockdale County
April - Clayton/Henry County
May - Paulding County
June - DeKalb County
July - Cherokee County
August - Coweta/Fayette County
September - Cobb County
October - Newton County
November - North Fulton County
December - DEC or ADEC-Metro

Thanks,

Jim Millsap-WB4NWS
DEC-Metro Atlanta District ARES
770-355-0480 (c)

# 1887. Link to FEMA training courses

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2013-07-09 10:49:52 UTC
From: Wayne
Topic: 1887  Message: 1887

Here is a link to the FEMA training courses.

http://training.fema.gov/IS/crslist.aspx

In the "Find a Course" search box, type one of these:

100.b
700.a (prereq is 100.b)
200.b
800.b
802

Click on the course title, then click the link for "Interactive Web Based Course".

After taking the course, click on the link for "Take Final Exam Online".

Upon successful completion of the exam, you'll receive an email with a link to your certificate. Save the PDF and email it to me at:

kg5wu@...

I'll get it entered into the GA ARES database so you'll get credit for taking the course.

Thanks.

73 de Wayne / kg5wu

# 1888. NFARES: Dinner

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2013-07-09 19:58:52 UTC
From: W4UOC
Topic: 1888  Message: 1888
Attachments: 1 described; binary payloads are missing from this source WARC

Sent from my iPhone

Begin forwarded message:
>
> Fried Chicken, mac and Cheese for dinner tonight. 5:40 pm James KK4IZN
>
>
>
>

# 1889. ARRL Webinar on the upcoming Hurricane Season

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2013-07-12 20:14:29 UTC
From: Stu Mitchell
Topic: 1883  Message: 1889

The ARRL will host a webinar Monday, July 15, 8-9:30 PM EDT [July 16, 0000-0130 UTC] to present information about the 2013 hurricane season and the Amateur Radio response. The program will offer presentations from representatives from the National Hurricane Center and WX4NHC, the VoIP Hurricane Net, the Hurricane Watch Net and the ARRL. Webinar registration is open to all, but will be of particular interest to radio amateurs in hurricane-prone areas. If you are interested in emergency communication and hurricane preparedness and response, you are invited to attend this online presentation.

Topics will include a meteorological overview of the upcoming season, Amateur Radio station WX4NHC at the National Hurricane Center: Who We Are and What We Do, ARRL Media and Public Relations, the National Hurricane Center, the Hurricane Watch Net, the VoIP Hurricane Net, and ARRL coordination and interface. The session will conclude with a Q&A session. Register online. --
( <https://www3.gotomeeting.com/register/576734926>
https://www3.gotomeeting.com/register/576734926)
Mike Corey, KI1U, ARRL Emergency Preparedness Manager

# 1890. North Fulton ARES Net, 7/14/2013, 8:30 pm

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2013-07-13 20:30:33 UTC
From: nfares@yahoogroups.com
Topic: 1890  Message: 1890

Reminder from: nfares Yahoo! Group
http://groups.yahoo.com/group/nfares/cal

North Fulton ARES Net
Sunday July 14, 2013
8:30 pm - 9:00 pm
(GMT+00:00)
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# 1891. Planning for our 2013 NFARES SET

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2013-07-15 15:48:32 UTC
From: Mike Cohen
Topic: 1891  Message: 1891

All NFARES & NFARL members,

We are starting to plan for our 2013 NFARES SET (Simulated Emergency Test), which is scheduled for Saturday, October 5, 2013, 9 AM - 2 PM. (Note that other Georgia ARES groups always holds their SET on the 1st Saturday in October and we'd like to join them this year.)

We sure would like to have you join us this year. All hams are welcome. You don't need to be an ARES member or be experienced in emergency communications. A special welcome goes out to newly licensed hams!

Our goal is to address the strengths and weaknesses of last year's SET and to again improve our performance this year. Yes, we had a great SET last year, but we can certainly improve. 2012 SET Results from the July 2013 QST, pp 70-72, listed North Fulton Co (W4UOC) with 604 points, 8th out of the 204 entries in the USA (Top 4%).

Here are links to ARRL SET information and to a file we will use for our 2013 SET planning:

*http://www.arrl.org/chapter-2-simulated-emergency-test-set*<http://www.arrl.org/chapter-2-simulated-emergency-test-set>

*http://tinyurl.com/2013-NFARES-SET*
This file will be continually updated for your review so you will see the latest version whenever you are viewing the link. The volunteer info shown in gray is from the actual 2012 SET and in black for 2013 SET volunteers.

Let me know if you would like to sign up for the same or a different location as last year or if you would like to sign up for the first time at any location. If this is your first time, we can team you up with an experienced SET volunteer. Helping for only part of the 9 AM - 2 PM event is fine too.

We'll discuss our plans by e-mail, at our next NFARES & NFARL meetings and on our Sunday night NFARES 8:30PM nets, 147.06 (+) PL 100.0Hz.

Please let us know by replying directly to Mike - AD4MC ( ad4mc.mike@...<https://mail.google.com/mail/?view=cm&fs=1&tf=1&to=ad4mc.mike%40gmail.com>) if you are interested in being part of our 2013 SET program. All locations are available plus any new incident or shelter sites that you would like to create.

We know that it is too early for many of you to make a firm commitment, but it is not too soon for us to start planning.

Thanks from your 2013 NFARES SET Planning Team,

Tom, W4UOC
Wayne, KG5WU
Jim, N4SEC
Stuart, AK4EX
Scott, N4SBD
Jim, W4QO
Bob, KE3EM
Chuck, AE4CW
John, K4SQC
Wayne, W4CJV
Clyde, AK4TL
Bill, W2ASL
Jeff, KK4ATX
George, AI4UR
Mike, AD4MC

73,
Mike - AD4MC

Mike Cohen
(404) 981-8624

# 1892. North Fulton ARES Net, 7/21/2013, 8:30 pm

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2013-07-20 20:30:42 UTC
From: nfares@yahoogroups.com
Topic: 1892  Message: 1892

Reminder from: nfares Yahoo! Group
http://groups.yahoo.com/group/nfares/cal

North Fulton ARES Net
Sunday July 21, 2013
8:30 pm - 9:00 pm
(GMT+00:00)
Location: 147.06 NFARL repeater (PL 100)

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# 1893. NFARES Digital Training Nets

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2013-07-22 02:03:15 UTC
From: Mike Cohen
Topic: 1893  Message: 1893

For everyone who would like to use digital messaging during our upcoming 2013 NFARES SET (Simulated Emergency Test) on October 5, from 9 AM - 2 PM, please join us on our *NFARES Digital Training Nets*.

You are welcome to join us on the nets even you you are not planning to volunteer for the 2013 SET.

We will begin holding them on *Tuesday, July 23rd* and then* *on the following *Tuesday nights from 8:30 - 9:30 PM.* We will be using the *145.47
(-) PL 100 Hz* *repeater*. (Once the 147.06 (+) PL 100 Hz repeater is confirmed to be at full signal again, we'll send out an announcement and will hold subsequent nets on that repeater.)

Here is a link to a PDF file that includes all the information you will need to get the Fldigi system installed:

*http://tinyurl.com/FLDIGI-Instructions-7-15-2013*

Copy and past the links from the PDF file into your browser to download the needed files.

If you get to do that before the Tuesday night net, that's fine, but it's OK if you prefer to have Wayne, KG5WU, and me walk you though all the steps during the training nets. That's what they are for... The first net (at least) will be dedicated to downloading and installing the software. We had 100% success last year and we will work with everyone who is interested to get you up and running.

Even if you were proficient with the Fldigi system last year, please join us on these nets to get familiar with the latest updates.

BTW, we passed 114 messages during last year's SET and *86* of those were digital.

See you on radio on Tuesday nights...

73,
Mike - AD4MC

Mike Cohen
(404) 981-8624

# 1894. 21 July ARES Net

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2013-07-25 00:23:17 UTC
From: Captain
Topic: 1894  Message: 1894

NFARES Net Sunday 21 July 2013, 20:30 -- 21:00 on 147.060 MHz

AK4NA Garry, Net Control

W4UOC Tom, EC North Fulton

N4SBD Scott

N4SEC Jim

KG5WU Wayne

KE4EM Bob

AK4EX Stewart

KK4LJG Mike

AD4MC Mike

KK4JYO Fred

KK4PCR Grant

KI4DSO George

KR4MM Brian

N4OKN Will

KF4UPO Mike

KK4KKf Stu

# 1895. NFARES Digital Training Nets, Tuesdays 8:30-9:30 PM, 145.47 (-) PL 100 Hz repeater

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2013-07-27 00:01:36 UTC
From: Mike Cohen
Topic: 1895  Message: 1895

For everyone who would like to use digital messaging during our upcoming 2013 NFARES SET (Simulated Emergency Test) on October 5, from 9 AM - 2 PM, please join us on our *NFARES Digital Training Nets*.

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*NOTE THAT YOU CAN START ON ANY TUESDAY NIGHT NET. JOINING US ON PREVIOUS NETS IS NOT A PREREQUISITE. WE'LL GET YOU CAUGHT UP.*

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Here is a link to an *updated *PDF file that includes all the information you will need to get the Fldigi system installed:

Fldigi Instructions rev 7/25/2013
<https://docs.google.com/file/d/0Bx8TgYV27SbEN2NuOXNQTk9ndFE/edit?usp=sharing>*
<-- Latest and greatest update*

We had 100% success last year and we will work with everyone who is interested to get you up and running.

Even if you were proficient with the Fldigi system last year, please join us on these nets to get familiar with the latest updates.

BTW, we passed 114 messages during last year's SET and *86* of those were digital.

See you on the radio on Tuesday nights...

73,
Mike, AD4MC & Wayne, KG5WU

# 1896. Re: [nfarl] NFARES Digital Training Nets, Tuesdays 8:30-9:30 PM, 145.47 (-) PL 100 Hz repeater

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2013-07-27 02:19:29 UTC
From: Michael Birmingham
Topic: 1895  Message: 1896

Mike,

I was having trouble with all <NUL> and the message wasn't downloading on Tuesday night. I managed to get it to work. What I had to do is to disable the microphone enhancements in the Microphone Properties/Enhancement page of the Windows Control Panel under Microphone. There are two enhancements: Noise Suppression and Acoustic Echo Cancellation and I disabled both enhancements to get it to work. I am using an Acer laptop with Windows 8. The Acer has Realtek audio if that helps anyone.

Hope this helps.

Mike
KK4LJG

On Jul 26, 2013, at 8:01 PM, Mike Cohen <ad4mc.mike@...> wrote:

>
> For everyone who would like to use digital messaging during our upcoming 2013 NFARES SET (Simulated Emergency Test) on October 5, from 9 AM - 2 PM, please join us on our NFARES Digital Training Nets.
>
> You are welcome to join us on the nets even you you are not planning to volunteer for the 2013 SET.
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> See you on the radio on Tuesday nights...
> 73,
> Mike, AD4MC & Wayne, KG5WU
>
>
>
>

# 1897. North Fulton ARES Net, 7/28/2013, 8:30 pm

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2013-07-27 20:30:58 UTC
From: nfares@yahoogroups.com
Topic: 1897  Message: 1897

Reminder from: nfares Yahoo! Group
http://groups.yahoo.com/group/nfares/cal

North Fulton ARES Net
Sunday July 28, 2013
8:30 pm - 9:00 pm
(GMT+00:00)
Location: Temporary Location is 145.47 (-) NFARL repeater (PL 100)

Notes:
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# 1898. North Fulton ARES Net, 7/28/2013, 8:30 pm

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2013-07-27 20:30:58 UTC
From: nfares@yahoogroups.com
Topic: 1897  Message: 1898

Reminder from: nfares Yahoo! Group
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# 1899. August 13th NFARES Meeting/Gathering

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2013-07-29 15:37:03 UTC
From: w4uoc@...
Topic: 1899  Message: 1899

We have mentioned on the NFARES net the plans for a cookout at our home for the upcoming August 13th NFARES meeting in lieu of the regular meeting site at the Brandon Hall School. This is intended to have some time getting to know each other better and just to enjoy some fellowship.

The invitation is open for any amateur, formally a NFARES member or not, that has routinely participated in or attend our NFARES Tuesday night meetings or be somewhat regular on the NFARES Sunday night nets or NFARES field events..

I'll be ready to see y'all at 6:00 p.m. and will start the grill at 7:00!

I'll be the chief cook and bottle washer so don't expect too much. Formal attire is not needed nor expected.

The menu will consist of Burgers, Brauts, Chips, Potato salad and refreshments!

We will try to hold the affair pool side, weather permitting or inside if it rains, etc.

Several have already asked if they could bring anything and my only though would be to bring your beverage of choice. No more than a six pack of drinks. I'll have coolers iced down.

However, I do need an idea of those that plan to attend so I can get enough food, etc. So email me to start the list to _w4uoc@..._ (mailto:w4uoc@...)

Tom Koch - W4UOC
8170 Habersham Waters Road
Sandy Springa, GA 30350
404-314-6109

Our home is located on the corner of Quiet Waters Lane and Habersham Waters Road. The house faces Habersham Waters but the driveway in on Quiet Waters. We will hold a simplex talk-in on 146.49 or SS-1 tactical frequency.

NFARES Aug 13 Gathering List so far:
1. Mike Cohen - AD4MC
2. Wayne Chapman - KG5WU
3. Grant Register - KK4PCR
4. Jim Stafford - W4QO
5. Jim Paine - N4SEC
6. Mike Birmingham - KK4LJG

# 1900. NFARES Digital Training Net, 7/30/2013, 8:30 pm

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2013-07-29 20:30:45 UTC
From: nfares@yahoogroups.com
Topic: 1900  Message: 1900

Reminder from: nfares Yahoo! Group
http://groups.yahoo.com/group/nfares/cal

NFARES Digital Training Net
Tuesday July 30, 2013
8:30 pm - 9:30 pm
(GMT+00:00)
Location: Temporary Location is 145.47 (-) NFARL repeater (PL 100)

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# 1901. Useful Volt/Amp/Power Meter

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2013-07-30 17:15:54 UTC
From: Mike Cohen
Topic: 1901  Message: 1901

Thanks to the Triple Play Demonstration, *Test Equipment Every ham Should Know* by Jim, W4QO (remember the two filament bulb, battery and power meter setup?) and one of the TechNet links that Bob, KI4SBL, faithfully posts for us, I decided to get one of those meters for myself. Total cost with shipping was about $30 and it took 12 days to get here.

Here's the meter:
http://www.hobbyking.com/hobbyking/store/__10080__Turnigy_130A_Watt_Meter_and_Power_Analyzer.html
,

...and a YouTube video that Jim sent me. (DO NOT USE THE WIRING TECHNIQUES SHOWN IN THIS VIDEO!! ;-) http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=n-PcDqqYZOc

I added PowerPoles to both ends and can now easily measure how my backup batteries are doing when powering my radios and also see the float charge from the NFARL Power Gate project by Chuck, AE4CW. (It's cool to see the charging current go down as the battery voltage increases.)

We all already knew that we simply can't have enough pieces of radio gear. Now add to that adage that we can all use more test equipment...

73,
Mike - AD4MC

Mike Cohen
(404) 981-8624

# 1902. NFARES 2-meter Digital Training Netnet, Tuesday, July 30, 2013

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2013-07-31 12:15:04 UTC
From: MikeC
Topic: 1902  Message: 1902

We had 16 check-ins on the NFARES 2-meter Digital Training Netnet, Tuesday, July 30, 2013

W4TGA ☐ Barry, Dunwoody
W4UOC ☐ Tom. Sandy Springs
KK4PCR ☐ Grant, Sandy Springs
W4HAL ☐ Hal, Dunwoody
N4SEC ☐ Jim, Alpharetta
W4CJV ☐ Wayne, Alpharetta
KK4KKF- Stu, Cumming
KK4LJG ☐ Mike, E. Cobb
N4TTY ☐ Steve, Stone Mtn.
KJ4CQJ - Elliott, Doraville
N4RAR ☐ Jim, Atlanta
N4MSS ☐ Mike,Holly Springs
KK4RGK ☐ Daryl, Roswell
NK4OKN ☐ Will, Roswell
W4QO ☐ Jim, W. Roswell
AD4MC (NCS) - Mike, Sandy Springs

Our next NFARES Digital Training Net will be on Tuesday, August 6th on the 145.47 (-) PL 100 Hz Repeater. This net closed at 8:44 PM.

73,
Mike - AD4MC
404-981-8624

# 1903. North Fulton ARES Net, 8/4/2013, 8:30 pm

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2013-08-03 20:30:43 UTC
From: nfares@yahoogroups.com
Topic: 1903  Message: 1903

Reminder from: nfares Yahoo! Group
http://groups.yahoo.com/group/nfares/cal

North Fulton ARES Net
Sunday August 4, 2013
8:30 pm - 9:00 pm
(GMT+00:00)
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# 1904. Fwd: Echolink for Sunday-August 4th Metro ARES Net

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2013-08-04 12:13:27 UTC
From: W4UOC
Topic: 1904  Message: 1904

Sent from my iPhone

Begin forwarded message:

>
> As a reminder, for those ARES members in the southern counties that cannot reach the repeater, you can always check in via Echolink (it’s a free program for your computer and apps for Iphones and Android) on the 145.430 (-) 107.2 repeater via node WB4NWS-R / 593209. So please check in as we have a special time slot for all Echolink check ins.
> Thanks,
>
> Jim Millsap-WB4NWS
> DEC-Metro Atlanta District ARES
> 770-355-0480 (c)

# 1905. NFARES - August Cook-0ut Attendance as of Aug 4, 2013

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2013-08-04 20:15:37 UTC
From: w4uoc@...
Topic: 1905  Message: 1905

NFARES Aug 13 Gathering List as of 8/4/2013

1. Mike Cohen - AD4MC
2. Wayne Chapman - KG5WU
3. Grant Register - KK4PCR
4. Jim Stafford - W4QO
5. Jim Paine - N4SEC
6. Mike Birmingham - KK4LJG
7-8. Barry Kanne - W4TGA - Judi (K4JLK)
9. Garry Brass - AK4NA
10 Steve Knittel -KC4YBO
11 Fred Ackley - KK4JYO
12 Bill Reed - K4YJI
13 Tom Koch - W4UOC
14 James Vaught - KK4IZN
15 John Davis - WB4QDX

# 1906. NFARES Digital Training Net, Tuesday, August 6 at 8:30 PM. JOIN US EVEN IF THIS IS YOUR FIRST TIME

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2013-08-05 01:59:41 UTC
From: Mike Cohen
Topic: 1906  Message: 1906

For everyone who would like to use digital messaging during our upcoming 2013 NFARES SET (Simulated Emergency Test) on October 5, from 9 AM - 2 PM, please join us on our NFARES Digital Training Nets.

You are welcome to join us on the nets even you you are not planning to volunteer for the 2013 SET.

NOTE THAT YOU CAN START ON ANY TUESDAY NIGHT NET. JOINING US ON PREVIOUS NETS IS NOT A PREREQUISITE. WE'LL GET YOU CAUGHT UP.

*Join us on Tuesday nights from 8:30 - 9:30 PM. We will be using the NFARL Repeater, 145.47 (-) PL 100 Hz*. (Once the 147.06 (+) PL 100 Hz repeater is confirmed to be at full signal again, we'll send out an announcement and will hold subsequent nets on that repeater.)

Here is a link to an updated PDF file that includes all the information you will need to get the Fldigi system installed:
Fldigi Instructions rev 8-1-2013<https://docs.google.com/file/d/0Bx8TgYV27SbERS1sTm9JT0JwQzA/edit?usp=sharing>
<--
Latest and greatest update with Fldigi 3.21.73

We had 100% success last year and we will work with everyone who is interested to get you up and running.

Even if you were proficient with the Fldigi system last year, please join us on these nets to get familiar with the latest updates.

BTW, we passed 114 messages during last year's SET and 86 of those were digital.
See you on the radio on Tuesday nights...

73,
Mike, AD4MC & Wayne, KG5WU

# 1907. August 4, 2013 NFARL ARES Net

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2013-08-05 02:56:29 UTC
From: Michael Birmingham
Topic: 1907  Message: 1907

We had 15 check-ins on the NFARES 2-meter net, Sunday,August 4, 2013

W4UOC - TOM, ROSWELL, BP
KK4LJG (NCS) - MIKE,E COBB, COMM PWR
AD4MC (ANCS) - MIKE,SANDY SPRINGS, BP
AK4NA - GARY, ROSWELL, BP
N4SEC - JIM, ALPHARETTA, BP
N4SBD - SCOTT, ALPHARETTA, BP
AK4EX - STUART SANDY SPRINGS BP
KK4KKF - STU, CUMMING, BP
KK4JYO - FRED, ROSWELL, BP
KE4EM - BOB, ROSWELL, BP
W4QO - JIM, ROSWELL, BP
KI4DSO - GEORGE, NORCROSS, BP
KK4PCR - GRANT, SANDY SPRINGS, BP
KG5WU - WAYNE, SANDY SPRINGS, BP
KB8RQD - TONY, ATLANTA/MOBLE, BP

BP = Battery Power
EL = EchoLink

Comments:
Jim – W4QO
Technet Monday night 8:30 PM, 145.47
Mike - AD4MC
Digital Net Tuesday night 8:30 PM 145.47
Tom - W4UOC
Our next NFARES meeting will be on Tuesday, August 13th at Tom's home at 6:00 PM. Please RSVP at W4UOC@....

The next scheduled net will be Sunday, August 11th. This net closed at 9:02 PM.

73,

Mike - KK4LJG

# 1908. NFARES Aug 13 Gathering List as of 8/5/2013

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2013-08-05 14:17:40 UTC
From: w4uoc@...
Topic: 1908  Message: 1908

NFARES Aug 13 Gathering List as of 8/5/2013

1. Mike Cohen - AD4MC
2. Wayne Chapman - KG5WU
3. Grant Register - KK4PCR
4. Jim Stafford - W4QO
5. Jim Paine - N4SEC
6. Mike Birmingham - KK4LJG
7-8. Barry Kanne - W4TGA - Judi (K4JLK)
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12 Bill Reed - K4YJI
13 Tom Koch - W4UOC
14 James Vaught - KK4IZN
15 John Davis - WB4QDX
16 Stuart Williams - AK4EX
17 Stuart Mitchel - KK4KKF
18 Bob Gross - KE4EM
19 Scott Dunbar - N4SBD
20 Wayne Rand - W4CJV

# 1909. NFARES Digital Training Net, 8/6/2013, 8:30 pm

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2013-08-05 20:31:03 UTC
From: nfares@yahoogroups.com
Topic: 1909  Message: 1909

Reminder from: nfares Yahoo! Group
http://groups.yahoo.com/group/nfares/cal

NFARES Digital Training Net
Tuesday August 6, 2013
8:30 pm - 9:30 pm
(GMT+00:00)
Location: Temporary Location is 145.47 (-) NFARL repeater (PL 100)

Notes:
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http://groups.yahoo.com/group/nfares/files/FLDIGI/ <-- Latest and greatest update includes Fldigi 3.21.73

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73,
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# 1910. NFARES Aug 13 Gathering List as of 8/6/2013

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2013-08-07 02:12:33 UTC
From: w4uoc@...
Topic: 1910  Message: 1910

NFARES Aug 13 Gathering List as of 8/6/2013

1. Mike Cohen - AD4MC
2. Wayne Chapman - KG5WU
3. Grant Register - KK4PCR
4. Jim Stafford - W4QO
5. Jim Paine - N4SEC
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17 Stuart Mitchel - KK4KKF
18 Bob Gross - KE4EM
19 Scott Dunbar - N4SBD
20 Wayne Rand - W4CJV
21 Mike Lozano - KF4UPO
22 Stuart Williams - AK4EX

# 1911. NAMB Disaster Relief - Antenna Project.

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2013-08-07 12:36:01 UTC
From: w4uoc@...
Topic: 1911  Message: 1911

NFARES - Members

The Southern Baptist North American Mission Board's, Disaster Relief Organization is setting up a new command center and amateur radio station in their headquarters building . They are relocating the HF, VHF, UHF and 1.2GHz antennas on the roof of their headquarters at 4200 North Point Parkway, just south of Old Milton Hwy. They could use some help moving and re installing and adding some new antennas.

Would any of you be available to help with this project if given about a 24 hour notice to help during the day?
If so let me know and I'll try to arrange a date and time probably within the next week or two to complete the project which will probably take about 4-6 hours.

I plan to take down the antennas today or tomorrow but am not sure when we will re install them, probably next week.

I'll compile a list of the project volunteers and contact each for availability as the dates and times are nailed down.

Tom Koch - W4UOC.

# 1912. Making Signal Corps Crystals

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2013-08-08 16:32:39 UTC
From: w4uoc@...
Topic: 1912  Message: 1912

Truly a marvel of science, ingenuity and skill. Makes one wonder if we can still do things like that today.

http://archive.org/details/6101_Crystals_Go_to_War_01_20_16_21

Who knew making Signal Corps crystals was so tedious?

# 1913. Re: Making Signal Corps Crystals

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2013-08-08 18:52:40 UTC
From: Mike Cohen
Topic: 1912  Message: 1913

Fascinating. I'll bet that OSHA inspectors need to take a sedative before watching that videp and I suspect that there are a few less manual steps needed to make modern crystals. Thanks for sending it.

73,
Mike - AD4MC

Mike Cohen
(404) 981-8624

On Thu, Aug 8, 2013 at 12:32 PM, <W4UOC@...> wrote:

> **
> Truly a marvel of science, ingenuity and skill. Makes one wonder if we can
> still do things like that today.
>
> http://archive.org/details/6101_Crystals_Go_to_War_01_20_16_21
>
> Who knew making Signal Corps crystals was so tedious?
>

# 1914. North Fulton ARES Net, 8/11/2013, 8:30 pm

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2013-08-10 20:30:45 UTC
From: nfares@yahoogroups.com
Topic: 1914  Message: 1914

Reminder from: nfares Yahoo! Group
http://groups.yahoo.com/group/nfares/cal

North Fulton ARES Net
Sunday August 11, 2013
8:30 pm - 9:00 pm
(GMT+00:00)
Location: NOTE Temporary Location is 145.47 (-) NFARL repeater (PL 100)

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# 1915. North Fulton ARES Meeting SPECIAL MEETING THIS MONTH, 8/13/2013, 6:00 pm

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2013-08-11 18:01:14 UTC
From: nfares@yahoogroups.com
Topic: 1915  Message: 1915

Reminder from: nfares Yahoo! Group
http://groups.yahoo.com/group/nfares/cal

North Fulton ARES Meeting SPECIAL MEETING THIS MONTH
Tuesday August 13, 2013
6:00 pm - 9:00 pm
(GMT+00:00)
Location: PLEASE RSVP: 8170 Habersham Waters Road Sandy Springs, GA 30350

Notes:
We have mentioned on the NFARES net the plans for a cookout at our home for the upcoming August 13th NFARES meeting in lieu of the regular meeting site at the Brandon Hall School. This is intended to have some time getting to know each other better and just to enjoy some fellowship.

The invitation is open for any amateur, formally a NFARES member or not, that has routinely participated in or attend our NFARES Tuesday night meetings or be somewhat regular on the NFARES Sunday night nets or NFARES field events..

I'll be ready to see y'all at 6:00 p.m. and will start the grill at 7:00!

I'll be the chief cook and bottle washer so don't expect too much. Formal attire is not needed nor expected.

The menu will consist of Burgers, Brauts, Chips, Potato salad and refreshments!

We will try to hold the affair pool side, weather permitting or inside if it rains, etc.

Several have already asked if they could bring anything and my only though would be to bring your beverage of choice. No more than a six pack of drinks. I'll have coolers iced down.

However, I do need an idea of those that plan to attend so I can get enough food, etc. So email me to start the list to w4uoc@...

Tom Koch - W4UOC
8170 Habersham Waters Road
Sandy Springs, GA 30350
404-314-6109

Our home is located on the corner of Quiet Waters Lane and Habersham Waters Road. The house faces Habersham Waters but the driveway in on Quiet Waters. We will hold a simplex talk-in on 146.49 or SS-1 tactical frequency.

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# 1916. We made the news... thanks to Wayne KG5WU

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2013-08-12 02:06:21 UTC
From: w4uoc@...
Topic: 1916  Message: 1916

We made the news... thanks to Wayne KG5WU

GA ARES "What's Happening" this month.

North Fulton/W4UOC, ? Two NFARES members plus five NFARL members volunteered with many other hams across Metro Atlanta to provide radio communications for the 44th Annual Peachtree Road Race. It was quite wet this year. More than 55K runners finished the event. ? Ten NFARES members supported the City of Sandy Springs Fire Department during the fireworks show. We were posted atop various parking decks and as shadows for the Incident Commander and the Operation Chief and the Crew Chief for the local CERT group. Our mission was to watch for and report any errant fireworks debris. All went well and the crowd thoroughly enjoyed themselves. ? NFARES has restarted our digital training to prepare for the SET in October. We are using FLDIGI (MT63-2KL) and FLMSG. We had 17 check-ins to our first net and about one-third were first-timers using the software. We were joined by about a half-dozen members from DeKalb ARES for this exercise.

# 1917. North Fulton ARES Meeting SPECIAL MEETING THIS MONTH, 8/13/2013, 6:00 pm

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2013-08-12 18:01:08 UTC
From: nfares@yahoogroups.com
Topic: 1915  Message: 1917

Reminder from: nfares Yahoo! Group
http://groups.yahoo.com/group/nfares/cal

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# 1918. Fldigi Training Nets to resume on WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 4th at 8:30 PM on the 147.06 (+) Repeater PL 100Hz

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2013-08-12 20:47:26 UTC
From: Mike Cohen
Topic: 1918  Message: 1918

NOTE: THE FLDIGI TRAINING NETS WILL RESUME ON WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 4TH AT 8:30 PM ON THE 147.06 (+) PL 100 HZ REPEATER. THAT WILL GIVE US 5 ADDITIONAL TRAINING SESSIONS BEFORE THE SET ON OCTOBER 5TH. IT TAKES ONLY ONE OR TWO SESSIONS TO GET UP TO SPEED.

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Join us on Wednesday nights, resuming on September 4th, from 8:30 - 9:30 PM. We will be using the 147.06 (+) PL 100 Hz repeater

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http://groups.yahoo.com/group/nfares/files/FLDIGI/ <-- Latest and greatest update includes Fldigi 3.21.73 or Fldigi Instructions rev 8/8/2013, with <NUL> fix<https://docs.google.com/file/d/0Bx8TgYV27SbEczZjM1FlVllFTFU/edit?usp=sharing>

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See you on the radio on Wednesday, nights...

73,
Mike, AD4MC & Wayne, KG5WU

# 1919. NFARES 2-meter net, Sunday, August 11, 2013

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2013-08-13 13:55:10 UTC
From: MikeC
Topic: 1919  Message: 1919

We had 17 check-ins on the NFARES 2-meter net, Sunday, August 11, 2013

KG5WU ☐ Wayne, Sandy Springs, BP
KK4FOF ☐ Mark, Macon
N4SEC ☐ Jim, Alpharetta, BP
KK4KKF ☐ Stu, Cumming
KK4LJG ☐ Mike, E. Cobb, BP
W4QO ☐ Jim, W. Roswell, BP
WA4ALM ☐ Michael, EC, Polk
KE4EM ☐ Bob, Roswell, BP
AK4EX ☐ Stuart, Sandy Springs, BP
KK4PCR ☐ Grant, Sandy Springs
AK4TL ☐ Clyde, Mobile, Roswell
KK4JYO (ANCS) ☐ Fred, Roswell, BP
N4DDY ☐ Leroy, Lake City
KK4RGK ☐ Daryl, Roswell
N4OKN ☐ Will, Roswell
KJ4MWP ☐ Ray, Murrayville
AD4MC (NCS) - Mike, Sandy Springs, BP
BP = Battery Power
EL = EchoLink (Not available)

Comments:
Jim ☐ W4QO
Technet Monday night 8:30 PM, 145.47

Our next NFARES meeting will be on Tuesday, August 13th, at the QTH of Tom, W4UOC.

We welcome all NFARES members to be NCS at least once per year. The Net Script can be found at nfares.org.

The next scheduled net will be Sunday, August 18th using the 147.06 (+) PL 100 Hz repeater. This net closed at 9:08 PM.

73,
Mike - AD4MC
404-981-8624

# 1920. North Fulton ARES Net, 8/18/2013, 8:30 pm

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2013-08-17 20:30:38 UTC
From: nfares@yahoogroups.com
Topic: 1920  Message: 1920

Reminder from: nfares Yahoo! Group
http://groups.yahoo.com/group/nfares/cal

North Fulton ARES Net
Sunday August 18, 2013
8:30 pm - 9:00 pm
(GMT+00:00)
Location: 147.060( ) NFARL repeater (PL 100)

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# 1921. RE: [nfares] North Fulton ARES Net, 8/18/2013, 8:30 pm

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2013-08-19 01:30:35 UTC
From: Stu Mitchell
Topic: 1920  Message: 1921

NFARES NET for August 18, 2013

CALLSIGN

NAME

KK4KKF

STU

AK4EX

STUART

KF4UPO

MIKE

N4SBD

SCOTT

AK4NA

GARY

KK4PC4

GRANT

W4UOC

TOM

N4SEC

JIM

KK4LJG

MIKE

W4QO

JIM

KK4JYO

FRED

KK4FYE

ANTHONY

W2FAL

FRANK

N4MSS

MIKE

KG5WU

WAYNE

AK4TL

CLYDE

Thanks to all who attended.

If there were any ECHOLINK check-ins who did not get recognized please send me an email and I will ensure the list is updated.

73

-Stu

KK4KKF

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# 1922. Antenna Help at North American Mission Board

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2013-08-22 20:18:21 UTC
From: w4uoc@...
Topic: 1922  Message: 1922
Attachments: 1 described; binary payloads are missing from this source WARC

I will be working with a contractor to install new HF, VHF and UHF antennas on the penthouse of the
North American Mission Board - Disaster Relief building on Tuesday morning which is located
at 4200 North Point Parkway just south of Old Milton Road in Alpharetta, Ga starting a 9:00 a.m.

I could use 4-5 helpers for about four hours or less.

If you would be able to help me please respond to me at _w4uoc@..._ (mailto:w4uoc@...) or call me on my cell 404-314-6109.

Tom Koch - W4UOC
EC - North Fulton ARES

# 1923. North Fulton ARES Net, 8/25/2013, 8:30 pm

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2013-08-24 20:30:41 UTC
From: nfares@yahoogroups.com
Topic: 1923  Message: 1923

Reminder from: nfares Yahoo! Group
http://groups.yahoo.com/group/nfares/cal

North Fulton ARES Net
Sunday August 25, 2013
8:30 pm - 9:00 pm
(GMT+00:00)
Location: 147.060( ) NFARL repeater (PL 100)

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# 1924. Southern Baptist North American Mission Board's, Disaster Relief Organization

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2013-08-25 19:58:28 UTC
From: w4uoc@...
Topic: 1924  Message: 1924

NFARES - Members

The Southern Baptist North American Mission Board's, Disaster Relief Organization is setting up a new command center and amateur radio station in their headquarters building . They are relocating the HF, VHF, UHF and 1.2GHz antennas on the roof of their headquarters at 4200 North Point Parkway, just south of Old Milton Hwy. I could use some help moving and re installing and adding some new antennas.

Would any of you be available to help with this project on Tuesday August 27th starting a 9:00 a.m.

As of today I have one helper other than myself.

Please respond if you would be available to _w4uoc@..._ (mailto:w4uoc@...)

# 1925. NFARES Sunday evening NCS August 25th

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2013-08-25 20:09:25 UTC
From: w4uoc@...
Topic: 1925  Message: 1925

I am not sure if I will be able to join the NFARES VHF net tonight. Can you announce, if you are NCS, that we will be installing new HF,VHF and UHF antennas on the North American Mission Board starting a 9:00 a.m. at their headquarters building just south of Old Milton Highway at 4200 North Point Mall Drive.

Anyone that can help can email me at _w4uoc@..._ (mailto:w4uoc@...) or call my cell 404-314-6109

At this time I have confirmed with Garry Bass that he will help.

Tom Koch

# 1926. NAMB Antenns Construction - Delayed to Wednesday Aug 28th

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2013-08-26 18:34:57 UTC
From: w4uoc@...
Topic: 1926  Message: 1926

Garry Bass
Tim Lemmon

The contractor moving the antenna structure supports will not be ready for us to install the antennas until Wednesday morning. Will that still work for you? Hopefully we might get another volunteer or two to help.

Tom Koch

# 1927. Local ARISS contact with ISS needs help for live contact NEXT WEEK...

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2013-08-30 13:01:20 UTC
From: Tim Lemmon
Topic: 1927  Message: 1927

Hello everyone.

Next Wednesday morning, Atlanta gets the honor of hosting a live radio ARISS contact with astronaut Christopher Cassidy and students at the Mill Springs Academy.  Actual time of the contact is to start at 10:15AM local time Wednesday (Sept 4th).  This will be a 40 degree pass starting in the north west and headed toward the south east.  I know this is short notice, but...

The crew is looking for help to erect and test three sets of antennas (yagis, vertical and eggbeaters), along with rotors, radios and software.  There will be TWO complete stations setup so one can be used as a hot backup.  Don't want to screw this up!  They are requesting help to setup equipment this Monday (yes Labor Day) at 9AM.  Suggest bringing a pair of gloves.  Work Monday should be done by noon or 1PM at the latest.  Preliminary plans are to do a complete run through sometime early Tuesday afternoon.  I am not sure yet when people plan to show up on Wednesday?

If you're a brand new ham, aQCWA member or anything inbetween, real ARISS contacts with the space station are kind of rare, and very satisfying to experience.  Extra hams are needed, and your help is requested.  Local news media may be on-site to record the event Wednesday.  Also if you've never seen a real ham satellite station in operation, THIS is something to see!  You'll see it all done correctly.  Might even spark a new interest in the hobby for you :)

Mill Springs Academy is located on the western side of Alpharetta.  Their address is:
Mill Springs Academy
13660 New Providence Road
Alpharetta, GA 30004
http://mapq.st/17qQc80

The ring leader and contact person for this event is:
Dr. John Kludt, K4SQC
johnnykludt@...
770-891-8091

Contact John right away if you can help the group.

Please forward this message to other Atlanta area groups to help spread the word.

Tim, WK4U

(only the messenger of this message)

# 1928. North Fulton ARES Net, 9/1/2013, 8:30 pm

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2013-08-31 20:30:45 UTC
From: nfares@yahoogroups.com
Topic: 1928  Message: 1928

Reminder from: nfares Yahoo! Group
http://groups.yahoo.com/group/nfares/cal

North Fulton ARES Net
Sunday September 1, 2013
8:30 pm - 9:00 pm
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# 1929. North Fulton ARES Net, 09/01/2013, 8:30 pm

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2013-09-02 01:14:32 UTC
From: Stu Mitchell
Topic: 1920  Message: 1929

NFARES NET for September 01, 2013

CALLSIGN

NAME

LOCATION

KK4KKF

STU

CUMMING

AK4EX

STUART

TENNESSEE

KG5WU

WAYNE

SANDY SPRINGS

AD4MC

MIKE

BOSTON

W5JR

MIKE

AC4PA

PAVEL

ALPHARETTA

KK4JYO

FRED

ROSWELL

N4SEC

JIM

ALPHARETTA

N4SBD

SCOTT

ALPHARETTA

K4LJG

MIKE

E COBB

W9SH

STEVE

JOHNS CREEK

Thanks to all who attended.

Hope everyone has a safe and happy holiday.

73

-Stu

KK4KKF

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# 1930. NFARES Digital Training Net, 9/4/2013, 8:30 pm

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2013-09-03 20:30:57 UTC
From: nfares@yahoogroups.com
Topic: 1930  Message: 1930

Reminder from: nfares Yahoo! Group
http://groups.yahoo.com/group/nfares/cal

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(GMT+00:00)
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# 1931. ARISS QSO LIVE: Wednesday at 9:15 a.m.

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2013-09-03 20:13:54 UTC
From: <ae4cw@...>
Topic: 1931  Message: 1931

Join the students at Mill Springs Academy in Milton, GA for a live contact with astronaut Christopher Cassidy on the International Space Station.
Date: Wednesday, Sept. 4th
Time: 9:15 a.m. - 9:26 a.m.

Hear the live contact on the NFARL repeaters:
145.47 (-) PL 100 Hz. or 444.475 (+) PL 100 Hz.
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Chuck, AE4CW

# 1932. CORRECTION!! ARISS QSO AT 10:15 a.m. Wednesday

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2013-09-03 22:15:27 UTC
From: <ae4cw@...>
Topic: 1932  Message: 1932

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Date: Wednesday, Sept. 4th
Time: 10:15 a.m. - 10:26 a.m.

Hear the live contact on the NFARL repeaters:
145.47 (-) PL 100 Hz. or 444.475 (+) PL 100 Hz.
---
Chuck, AE4CW

# 1933. CORRECTION!! ARISS QSO AT 10:15 a.m. Wednesday

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2013-09-03 22:20:37 UTC
From: <ae4cw@...>
Topic: 1933  Message: 1933

Join the students at Mill Springs Academy in Milton, GA for a live contact with astronaut Christopher Cassidy on the International Space Station.

Date: Wednesday, Sept. 4th
Time: 10:15 a.m. - 10:26 a.m.

Hear the live contact on the NFARL repeaters:
145.47 (-) PL 100 Hz. or 444.475 (+) PL 100 Hz.
---
Chuck, AE4CW

# 1934. NFARES Digital Training Net, 9/4/2013, 8:30 pm

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2013-09-04 19:31:08 UTC
From: nfares@yahoogroups.com
Topic: 1930  Message: 1934

Reminder from: nfares Yahoo! Group
http://groups.yahoo.com/group/nfares/cal

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# 1935. Fwd: TUESDAY'S MEETING MENU

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2013-09-05 21:33:46 UTC
From: W4UOC
Topic: 1935  Message: 1935
Attachments: 1 described; binary payloads are missing from this source WARC

Sent from my iPhone

Begin forwarded message:
TUESDAY'S MEETING MENU
>
> TOM : Dinner Menu for next Tuesday.
> Dinner begins at 5:45 and we need to try to be finished and out of the Dining Hall by 6:15. Enrollment is up so we will have to play this by ear this first month on the new school year.
>
> Pork Loin with Caramelized Onions
> Mashed Potatoes
> Roasted Cauliflower
> Rolls
>
> Yellow Cake with Cream Cheese Icing
>
> James Vaught, M.Ed.
> Certified Master Naturalist
> Middle School Science
> Brandon Hall School
> 1701 Brandon Hall Drive
> Atlanta, GA 30350
> Cell: 404-408-9239

# 1936. North Fulton ARES Net, 9/8/2013, 8:30 pm

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2013-09-07 20:30:42 UTC
From: nfares@yahoogroups.com
Topic: 1936  Message: 1936

Reminder from: nfares Yahoo! Group
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# 1937. NFARES Monthly Meeting, 9/10/2013, 7:00 pm

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2013-09-08 19:01:23 UTC
From: nfares@yahoogroups.com
Topic: 1937  Message: 1937

Reminder from: nfares Yahoo! Group
http://groups.yahoo.com/group/nfares/cal

NFARES Monthly Meeting
Tuesday September 10, 2013
7:00 pm - 8:30 pm
(GMT+00:00)
Location: Brandon Hall School - 1701 Brandon Hall Drive Sandy Springs, GA 30350

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# 1938. NFARES 9/08/2013 8:30 pm Net Report

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2013-09-09 10:43:10 UTC
From: Wayne
Topic: 1938  Message: 1938

NFARES 9/08/2013 8:30 pm Net Report

The following operators checked in to the net:

1. AD4MC ☐ Mike, Sandy Springs, BP and ANCS
2. W4UOC☐ Tom, EC for NFARES, Sandy Springs, BP
3. W2ASL ☐ Bill, Alpharetta, via EL and BP
4. N4SEC ☐ Jim , Alpharetta, BP
5. K4LJG ☐ Mike, East Cobb, CP
6. KG5WU ☐ Wayne, Sandy Springs, BP
7. KK4PCR - Grant, Sandy Springs, BP
8. KK4LZV ☐ Ron, Sandy Springs
9. KK4JYO ☐ Fred, Roswell, BP
10. KK4KKF ☐ Stuart, Cumming, BP
11. AE4CW ☐ Chuck, E. Cobb, CP
12. W9SH ☐ Steve, Johns Creek, CP
13. W4QO ☐ Jim, Roswell, BP
14. AK4EX - Stuart, Sandy Springs, CP and NCS

Legend:
BP-Battery Power
CP-Commercial Power
EL ☐ EchoLink
NCS ☐ Net Control Station
ANCS ☐ Alternate Net Control Station

Net closed at approximately 8:58 pm local time.

There were 14 Check-ins, including the NCS, during the NFARES 09/08/2013 net. The next scheduled net will be Sunday, September 15, 2013 at 8:30 p.m. local time.

Thanks to all who checked in this evening and 73's.

Stuart, AK4EX

# 1939. SET Preparation

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2013-09-09 22:12:09 UTC
From: Mike Cohen
Topic: 1939  Message: 1939

During tomorrow night's NFARES meeting, Stuart, AK4EX, will be giving you a presentation on the ICS-213 Form. To help get you in the mood for Stuart's presentation, you may want to check out a nifty web site that Wayne, KG5WU, discovered; http://ics213.com/. The site has some very useful supplemental reference info on this form and how to use it. It also has blank samples of ICS-213 forms that you can print out (.PDF) or use on a PC (.DOC). Even if you plan to use Fldigi, it is good practice to still be able to send and receive message by voice and these sample forms will work fine for that.

Looking forward to seeing All Y'All at the meeting....

73,
Mike - AD4MC

Mike Cohen
(404) 981-8624

# 1940. NFARES Digital Training Net, 9/11/2013, 8:30 pm

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2013-09-10 20:30:57 UTC
From: nfares@yahoogroups.com
Topic: 1940  Message: 1940

Reminder from: nfares Yahoo! Group
http://groups.yahoo.com/group/nfares/cal

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# 1941. NFARES Message Handling Policy

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2013-09-11 12:12:58 UTC
From: Mike Cohen
Topic: 1941  Message: 1941

During last night's NFARES meeting, we had a lot of discussion about message handling. A big thanks goes out to Stuart, AK4EX, for presenting the use of the ICS-213 form.

Here's a policy that we will use when handling messages for our served agencies (Police, Fire, hospitals, ...)

*NFARES Message Handling Policy:*
*
*
*When requested to send messages (traffic), NFARES members will pass the message exactly as received, without any editing or redacting.*

Rationale:

- In a "real" emergency, when the served agencies are *able *to use their "normal" communications equipment, they pass messages as they have been trained. We understand that this training includes when to include or not include names of people in the body of the message.
- In a "real" emergency, when the served agencies are *not able* to use their "normal" communications equipment, ham radio operators may be called in to provide communications. We would pass the messages those served agencies personnel have been trained to create.
- Using the ARRL National Traffic System (NTS); "The primary objective of these methods and protocols is to facilitate transmission of a properly formatted written formal message from point A to point B such that it arrives exactly as written on the original copy, group for group, character for character, space for space." copied from http://www.arrl.org/appendix-b-nts-methods-and-practices-guidelines

During our SET, when *all* messages begin and end with "THIS IS ONLY A DRILL", the body of that *simulated* message can include anything you want. (Let's keep it in good taste, though.)

Now that we have a NFARES Message Handling Policy, ....next question?

Please join us on our Digital training nets on Wednesday nights at 8:30 PM, 147.06 (+) 100 HZ, to *practice message handling* even if you will *not* be using Fldigi.

73,
Mike - AD4MC

Mike Cohen
(404) 981-8624

# 1942. NFARES Digital Training Net, 9/11/2013, 8:30 pm

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2013-09-11 19:31:00 UTC
From: nfares@yahoogroups.com
Topic: 1940  Message: 1942

Reminder from: nfares Yahoo! Group
http://groups.yahoo.com/group/nfares/cal

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# 1943. Chief Scarbrough Resigns for new job.

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2013-09-13 20:27:33 UTC
From: w4uoc@...
Topic: 1943  Message: 1943

I am disappointed to see the announcement that Chief Scarbrough will be leaving Sandy Springs but I am pleased to see his expertise has been recognized by Athens/Clark County.

http://www.reporternewspapers.net/2013/09/12/sandy-springs-fire-marshal-taking-new-job/

Tom Koch - W4UOC
Emergency Coordinator - North Fulton ARES

# 1944. North Fulton ARES Net, 9/15/2013, 8:30 pm

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2013-09-14 20:30:39 UTC
From: nfares@yahoogroups.com
Topic: 1944  Message: 1944

Reminder from: nfares Yahoo! Group
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# 1945. Amateur Radio Provides Critical Communication in Colorado Flooding Response

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2013-09-15 00:54:56 UTC
From: Mike Cohen
Topic: 1945  Message: 1945

ARES in Action in Colorado

http://www.arrl.org/news/amateur-radio-provides-critical-communication-in-colorado-flooding-response

73,
Mike - AD4MC

Mike Cohen
(404) 981-8624

# 1946. NFARES Sunday Night Net 2013-09-15

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2013-09-16 01:22:07 UTC
From: <wcchapman@...>
Topic: 1946  Message: 1946

NFARES Sunday Night Net
(14 participants) 2013-09-15 30 mins

KG5WU (NCS) - Wayne Chapman
AD4MC (ANCS) - Mike Cohen
AC4PA - Pavel Anni
AD4MC - Mike Cohen
AK4EX - Stuart Williams
K4LJG - Mike Birmingham
KE4EM - Bob Gross
KF4UPO - Michael Lozano
KK4JYO - Fred Ackley
KK4PCR - Grant Register
N4OKN - Will Adams
N4SEC - Jim Paine
W4QO - Jim Stafford
W4UOC - Tom Koch
W9SH - Steve Henke

# 1947. NFARES Digital Training Net, 9/18/2013, 8:30 pm

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2013-09-17 20:30:45 UTC
From: nfares@yahoogroups.com
Topic: 1947  Message: 1947

Reminder from: nfares Yahoo! Group
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# 1948. NFARES Digital Training Net, 9/18/2013, 8:30 pm

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2013-09-18 19:31:03 UTC
From: nfares@yahoogroups.com
Topic: 1947  Message: 1948

Reminder from: nfares Yahoo Group
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# 1949. Useful utility program - Shortkeys

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2013-09-19 03:15:22 UTC
From: Inspector Gadget
Topic: 1949  Message: 1949

As discussed in the recent ARES meeting here is the link to the two Shortkeys files. The newer version is required for systems running Windows 7 or 8. Either version will run on XP, however, I recommend using the older version which does not contain any ad banner and, mainly, allows for twice as many entries.
https://app.box.com/s/he33pqcq02zgb2a0dj54

Fred
KK4JYO

# 1950. Text Message notifications for the SET or real emergencies

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2013-09-21 02:38:26 UTC
From: Mike Cohen
Topic: 1950  Message: 1950

We have a text message notification system to alert you of important NFARES announcements. You do not have to be a member of NFARES to sign up or to receive these notifications. Any phone that can receive text messages will work.

We'll keep the number of messages to a minimum, but will occasionally send out test messages to verify that it is working. For the next two Sunday evenings until the SET on October 5th, we'll send out a text message reminder for our 8:30 PM NFARES net, so if you are signed up, you will get the notifications.

To sign up:
* Text Alerts by Phone * NFARES uses Twitter to send alerts to your cell phone. From your phone, send a text message to 40404 (yes only 5 digits). To subscribe: follow nfares1 To unsubscribe: leave nfares1 To
reactivate: on nfares1

That's all there is to it.

73,
Mike - AD4MC

Mike Cohen
(404) 981-8624

# 1951. Fwd: [nfares] Useful utility program - Shortkeys

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2013-09-21 15:36:02 UTC
From: Mike Cohen
Topic: 1951  Message: 1951

Fred (KK4JYO) and the group,

I just installed the 3.2MB version. It works GREAT and there were no unwanted downloads that tagged along like there were when I previously downloaded the program from a different web site.

Thanks for passing along the info for this macro program. I'm sure that it will get a LOT of use.

73,
Mike - AD4MC

Mike Cohen
(404) 981-8624

On Wed, Sep 18, 2013 at 11:15 PM, Inspector Gadget <
apdinspectorgadget@...> wrote:

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> using the older version which does not contain any ad banner and,
> mainly, allows for twice as many entries.
> https://app.box.com/s/he33pqcq02zgb2a0dj54
>
> Fred
> KK4JYO
>
>

# 1952. North Fulton ARES Net, 9/22/2013, 8:30 pm

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2013-09-21 20:30:46 UTC
From: nfares@yahoogroups.com
Topic: 1952  Message: 1952

Reminder from: nfares Yahoo Group
http://groups.yahoo.com/group/nfares/cal

North Fulton ARES Net
Sunday September 22, 2013
8:30 pm - 9:00 pm
(GMT+00:00)
Location: 147.060( ) NFARL repeater (PL 100)

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# 1953. ARRL Message Format

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2013-09-23 00:25:57 UTC
From: Jim Stafford
Topic: 1953  Message: 1953

While the SET emphasis is to become comfortable with ICS-213 form, there are still
situations where messages need to go outside North Fulton, believe it or not! :)

For those messages they may still go using ICS-213 but for the general public,
ARRL message format fits into the National Traffic System which was started by Hiram Percy Maxim, 1AW, in 1916 (or something like that!)

Here are some links you can use to get more familiar with NTS format (ARRL radiogram).

To get a clean copy of the Radiogram:
http://www.arrl.org/files/file/Public%20Service/RADIOGRAM-2011.pdf

For a basic introduction on how to use it:
http://www.baltimoretraffic.net/arrlmsgf.htm

More advanced information on the National Traffic System incl. Radiogram:
http://nts.ema.arrl.org/node/31

A key piece of info for Radiograms - the ARL format:
http://nts.ema.arrl.org/node/30

If questions, please drop me a line: w4qo@...

73, jim/w4qo

# 1954. 9-22-13 NFARES Net Report

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2013-09-23 01:35:38 UTC
From: Captain
Topic: 1954  Message: 1954
Attachments: 1 described; binary payloads are missing from this source WARC

See Attached

73 Garry AK4NA

# 1955. Apparently Yahoo doesn't like attachments

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2013-09-23 13:35:03 UTC
From: Captain
Topic: 1955  Message: 1955

Here's the net report

*
9/22/13 NFARES Net Report*

*The net began at 08:30 PM Local Time. Garry AK4NA was net control and
Jim W4QO was alternate net control. Twenty stations checked in as follows:*

*AK4NA (Net Control) Garry Roswell GA Battery Power*

*N4SEC Jim Alpharetta GA ?*

*AD4MC Mike Sandy Springs GA Battery Power*

*KD9RU Dave Aiken SC EchoLink*

*K4LJG Mike East Cobb GA Commercial Power*

*KK4JYO Fred Roswell GA Battery Power*

*AE4CW Chuck East Cobb GA Commercial Power*

*KG5WU Wayne Sandy Springs GA Battery Power*

*KK4PCR Grant Sandy Springs GA Battery Power*

*AK4EX Stuart Sandy Springs GA Battery Power*

*KE4EM Bob Roswell GA Commercial Power*

*AC4PA Pavel Roswell GA Battery Power*

*W4QO (Alt. Net Control) Jim Roswell GA Battery Power*

*WO4MW Mark Atlanta GA Commercial Power*

*KK4GK Darryl Roswell GA Commercial Power*

*KF4ZYN Rene Johns Creek Commercial Power*

*N4BTA/M Bret Alpharetta Battery/Mobile*

*W4UOC Tom Sandy Springs Battery Power*

*AK4TL Clyde Dunwoody Battery Power*

*KF4UOP Mike Norcross Battery Power*

*The net closed at 9:00 PM Local Time.

*

*73 Garry AK4NA
*

# 1956. NFARES Digital Training Net, 9/25/2013, 8:30 pm

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2013-09-24 20:30:46 UTC
From: nfares@yahoogroups.com
Topic: 1956  Message: 1956

Reminder from: nfares Yahoo Group
http://groups.yahoo.com/group/nfares/cal

NFARES Digital Training Net
Wednesday September 25, 2013
8:30 pm - 9:00 pm
(GMT+00:00)
Location: 147.06 ( ) PL 100 Hz repeater

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# 1957. NFARES Digital Training Net, 9/25/2013, 8:30 pm

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2013-09-25 19:30:58 UTC
From: nfares@yahoogroups.com
Topic: 1956  Message: 1957

Reminder from: nfares Yahoo Group
http://groups.yahoo.com/group/nfares/cal

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8:30 pm - 9:00 pm
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# 1958. Simulated Emergency Test for Amateur Radio Emergency Service Oct 5, 2013

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2013-09-25 20:28:58 UTC
From: w4uoc@...
Topic: 1958  Message: 1958

Chief Ken DeSimone - Sandy Springs Police
Chief Mark Duke - Sandy Springs Fire Rescue
Fire Marshal Timothy McGiboney - Johns Creek Fire Rescue

As in the past years, the North Fulton Amateur Radio Emergency Service (NFARES) participated in national simulated emergency tesst (SET) by setting up amateur radio stations at various public safety agencies throughout the country. This exercise will be conducted again on October 5, 2013 starting at 9:00 a.m. and continuing into the early afternoon.

All of the Sandy Springs and Johns Creek fire stations, Police headquarters and hospitals now have permanently installed antennas on their facilities with transmission lines that enable our operators to connect and communicate with radios previously purchased or donated to that facility or oru members will provide the equipment required for the test. This year the SET will also include communications networks covering the entire state of Georgia including communications interfaces with GEMA.and other national EMA agencies.

I would appreciate your assistance with this exercise by notifying your command staff and crews to expect our personal to arrive at your facilities on October 5th. We should not effect your normal operations during this event.

I will be in charge of the Sandy Springs, Johns Creek exercise as the net control station (NCS) operating out of the Sandy Springs EOC for this communications exercise.

Thomas E. Koch - W4UOC
Emergency Coordinator - North Fulton Amateur Radio Emergency Service
_w4uoc@..._ (mailto:w4uoc@...)
404-314-6109

# 1959. Colorado Flood Evacuation

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2013-09-26 21:40:37 UTC
From: Mike Cohen
Topic: 1959  Message: 1959

Events like this clearly show why we need to practice being prepared with with our own events like the SET ( Simulated Emergency Test ) on October 5th this year. Contact Mike, AD4MC@... to volunteer...

“Amazing Help:” Hams Play Critical Role in Colorado Flood Evacuation
*TAGS:* amateur radio<http://www.arrl.org/news/search/Tag.name:amateur%20radio>
, assistant principal<http://www.arrl.org/news/search/Tag.name:assistant%20principal>
, Ciaccia <http://www.arrl.org/news/search/Tag.name:Ciaccia>,
group<http://www.arrl.org/news/search/Tag.name:group>
, lab staff <http://www.arrl.org/news/search/Tag.name:lab%20staff>, radio
operators <http://www.arrl.org/news/search/Tag.name:radio%20operators>,
staff <http://www.arrl.org/news/search/Tag.name:staff>,
students<http://www.arrl.org/news/search/Tag.name:students>
, volunteer examiners<http://www.arrl.org/news/search/Tag.name:volunteer%20examiners>
09/24/2013

Amateur Radio volunteers assisting with communications in the aftermath of the devastating Colorado flooding came in for high praise recently for their role in helping to safely evacuate youngsters and others from a mountain environmental education center threatened with being cut off by road washouts. In an *Op-Ed piece*<http://www.timescall.com/columnists/opinion-local/ci_24133608/sandra-harem-amazing-help-evacuation>
last
week in the *Longmont Times-Call*, Sandra Harem, the executive director of the *JPII Outdoor Lab* <http://outdoorlab.jp2adventures.com/> in Estes Park, Colorado, cited the “amazing help” from hams and others in getting the students, school staff and Lab staff out of harm’s way on September 12.

“The staff of the JPII Outdoor Lab would like to extend our heartfelt gratitude to the volunteers of the *Mountain Emergency Radio Network*<http://bouldercountyares.org/mountain-emergency-radio-network-mern/>
[MERN]
and so many others who helped the seventh-grade students, chaperones and staff of St Vincent De Paul Catholic School and staff of the JPII Outdoor Lab get home safely to their families,” Harem said.

On September 12, Harem called the Larimer County Sheriff’s Office to find out about road conditions. Because of the heavy rainfall, she and the school’s assistant principal were getting a group of seventh graders ready to leave as soon as possible. “The sheriff’s office said Highways 34 and 36 were closed,” she recounted. “We worked on alternative routes.”

An hour later, the director of the affiliated High Peak Camp told Harem they needed to relocate in case power went down. The sheriff’s office advised relocating to a Red Cross evacuation center in Allenspark, which

subsequently invited the group.

Hearing the call, MERN volunteer Karel Kosman, *KDØRFT*, contacted fellow MERN member Steve Coles, *KDØRFQ, *that the group needed help evacuating. Coles deployed to the JPII Outdoor Lab and helped relocate the students, staff and chaperones safely, Harem said.

After Coles left to help others, communication was cut off, so the assistant principal and Harem drove to the Allenspark Fire Station and to the Estes Park Police Station hoping to get better information. “It took us until 9 PM to return to our group at Highlands [the shelter site] by hiking and a few helpful car rides, because Highway 7 had ruptured in two places,” Harem said.

Early the next morning, Coles was back to help with communication with the Boulder County Office of Emergency Management. According to Harem, Coles advised the OEM to have Colorado Department of Transportation personnel see if it might be possible to take buses on the Peak to Peak Highway. A plan evolved to have the buses meet the group at the point of a highway washout near the junction of Highways 72 and 7, then walk the students across the compromised road to the buses. The Archdiocese of Denver, the superintendent of Catholic Schools and the Boulder County OEM okayed the plan.

That afternoon, buses arrived on Highway 7. “We transported the students, chaperones, St Vincent staff and JPII Outdoor Lab staff to the meeting point, and all students were reunited with their families at St Vincent De Paul Catholic School that evening,” Harem said.

Among others, Harem praised Coles for “his tireless patience, persistence and care of all of the students, chaperones and staff,” and Kosman “for radioing on our behalf to Steve Coles.” She also thanked all MERN members “for making it possible to have such effective communication during an emergency.”

ARRL Colorado Section Manager Jack Ciaccia, WMØG, says MERN is an Amateur Radio repeater system built by members of the Boulder County (*BCARES*<http://bouldercountyares.org/>)
group and was the brainchild of BCARES Emergency Coordinator Allen Bishop, KØARK.

“The two MERN ham radio operators that were involved in this rescue, Steve Coles, KDØRFQ, and Karel Kosman, KDØRFT, are two of some 60 mountain residents who attended the ham radio classes put on by BCARES members in the mountain communities over the last year and were recently licensed after taking the FCC exam given by ARRL Volunteer Examiners who are also members of BCARES,” Ciaccia pointed out.

He notes that the hams at the Boulder OEM and the EOC were BCARES operators who were monitoring all traffic from the MERN repeaters as well as from other EOCs on the air from flooded counties along the Front Range as well as communications from the state EOC. “The hams who happened to be

monitoring at the Boulder EOC at the time were George Weber, KAØBSA, and Dave Sharpe, KIØHG," Ciaccia said. "These two hams, coincidentally, had been Steve and Karel's MERN ham radio license instructors and Volunteer Examiners as well as part of the BCARES group who built and installed the MERN repeaters."

Ciaccia said it was Weber and Sharpe who coordinated with the Boulder OEM and Transportation Group to arrange for the buses, then got them on their way by relaying communications from the MERN radio operators in the flood-stricken zones.

Photo Gallery<http://www.arrl.org/news/amazing-help-hams-play-critical-role-in-colorado-flood-evacuation#>

- <http://www.arrl.org/images/view/News/ARES%20logo_3.jpg>
- [image: A highway washout photographed as BCARES members surveyed Lyons, Colorado, between Estes Park and Longmont. Colorado SM Jack Ciaccia, WMØG, says the town was cut off for a couple of days, and communication between Lyons and the Boulder EOC was primarily through the one ham resident there, Paul Burge, KØDJV. [KB9TTI photo]]<http://www.arrl.org/images/view/News/Lyons%20034.jpg>A highway washout...
- [image: Ueli Hauser, KB9TTI/HB9TTI, on the roof of the Boulder Amateur Radio Club's radio station located in the FBO at the airport. These were the ATV cameras and transmitters providing images for emergency managers. [KB9TTI photo]]<http://www.arrl.org/images/view/News/BCARES_Video-Monitoring%20KB9TTI.jpg>Ueli Hauser, KB9T...

73,
Mike - AD4MC

Mike Cohen
(404) 981-8624

# 1960. North Fulton ARES Net, 9/29/2013, 8:30 pm

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2013-09-28 20:30:55 UTC
From: nfares@yahoogroups.com
Topic: 1960  Message: 1960

Reminder from: nfares Yahoo Group
http://groups.yahoo.com/group/nfares/cal

North Fulton ARES Net
Sunday September 29, 2013
8:30 pm - 9:00 pm
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# 1961. ARES Net 09-29-13

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2013-09-30 17:10:51 UTC
From: Fred Ackley
Topic: 1961  Message: 1961

North Fulton ARES

Check-in 09-29-13

*Call Sign* *Name* *Location* *Power* W4UOC Tom -EC Sandy Springs Battery
AD4MC Mike Sandy Springs Battery W2ASL Bill Alpharetta Battery W4EAR
Frank South
Carolina – Echo Commercial K4UPO Mike Norcross Battery AC4PA Pavo California
– Echo Battery N4SEC Jim Alpharetta Battery KK4KKF Stu Cumming Mobile –
battery KG5WU Wayne Sandy Springs Battery KK4PCR Grant Sandy Springs
Commercial AK4EX Stewart Sandy Springs Commercial K4LJG Mike Sandy
Springs Mobile
– battery W4QO Jim Roswell Battery KE4EM Bob Roswell Commercial KK4LZV
Rob Sandy Springs Commercial KK4PMY Lynn East Cobb Mobile – battery W9SH
Steve Johns Creek Commercial KK4RGK Darryl Roswell Commercial AK4TL Clyde
Dunwoody Battery KK4TZK Debbie Sandy Springs Commercial WO4MW Mark Sandy
Springs Battery KJ4HNM Paul East Cobb Commercial KK4JYO Fred -Net Control
Roswell Battery

Total check-in 23 Net closed at 9:17 PM

# 1962. Fwd: Saturday 10-5 SET - Sunday-October 6th Metro ARES Net Schedule and month...

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2013-10-01 20:02:46 UTC
From: w4uoc@...
Topic: 1962  Message: 1962
Attachments: 3 described; binary payloads are missing from this source WARC

Re: October 5th SET, October 6th Metro ARES Net Schedule and monthly reports

Don’t forget to get all your members to check in to the Metro Atlanta ARES Net, K4GTM Guy – NCS, during the SET on Saturday, October 5th on 145.430 repeater or Echolink wb4nws-r, and on winlink to _KD4KHO@..._ (mailto:KD4KHO@...) . Check in anytime between 9:00a and 12:00n, but above all, please check in both repeater and winlink if possible. Thanks

The monthly Metro ARES net is Sunday, October 6th, at 4pm on 145.430mhz, – minus offset, 107.2hz enc/dec. Newton County has the net for Sunday .

***Please note attached new revised pre-amble dated September 17 2013***

Please remember to send in your monthly reports by Saturday evening the 5th.

Please forward this email to your AEC’s so they will have a copy of the NET schedule and attached revised pre-amble. The pre-amble has been revised to include the NCS Schedule and other minor changes. Please save to your PC’s desktop

Thank you for your faithfulness to send in your monthly reports. It is great to see your news and statistics each month. Listed below is the 2013 Metro Atlanta District ARES NCS schedule.

January - South Fulton County
February - Gwinnett County
March - Rockdale County
April - Clayton/Henry County
May - Paulding County
June - DeKalb County
July - Cherokee County
August - Fayette County
September - Cobb County
October - Newton County
November - North Fulton County
December - DEC or ADEC-Metro

Thanks,

Jim Millsap-WB4NWS
DEC-Metro Atlanta District ARES
770-355-0480 (c)

# 1963. NFARES Digital Training Net, 10/2/2013, 8:30 pm

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2013-10-01 20:30:43 UTC
From: nfares@yahoogroups.com
Topic: 1963  Message: 1963

Reminder from: nfares Yahoo Group
http://groups.yahoo.com/group/nfares/cal

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# 1964. NFARES Digital Training Net, 10/2/2013, 8:30 pm

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2013-10-02 19:31:04 UTC
From: nfares@yahoogroups.com
Topic: 1963  Message: 1964

Reminder from: nfares Yahoo Group
http://groups.yahoo.com/group/nfares/cal

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# 1965. SET mode?

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2013-10-03 21:10:05 UTC
From: Tim Lemmon
Topic: 1965  Message: 1965

Silly question, but I can't find the answer online.

Which mode are we all going to use this Saturday - MT63-2000S or MT63-2000L ?

Tim, WK4U

# 1966. Re: [nfares] SET mode?

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2013-10-04 02:01:21 UTC
From: Mike Cohen
Topic: 1965  Message: 1966

Meant to include the group. Thanks, Wayne, for reminding me...

73,
Mike - AD4MC

Mike Cohen
(404) 981-8624

On Thu, Oct 3, 2013 at 10:00 PM, Mike Cohen <ad4mc.mike@...> wrote:

> Tim,
>
> Not silly. Very important. MT63-2000L
>
> See Fldigi Instructions rev 8/8/2013, with <NUL>
fix<https://docs.google.com/file/d/0Bx8TgYV27SbEczZjM1FlVllFTFU/edit?usp=sharing>
> Page 3, Item 11
>
>
> 73,
> Mike - AD4MC
>
> Mike Cohen
> (404) 981-8624
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> On Thu, Oct 3, 2013 at 5:10 PM, Tim Lemmon <tim_lemmon@...> wrote:
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>> **
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>>
>> Silly question, but I can't find the answer online.
>>
>> Which mode are we all going to use this Saturday - MT63-2000S or
>> MT63-2000L ?
>>
>> Tim, WK4U
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# 1967. Fwd: DINNER TUESDAY

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2013-10-05 17:23:50 UTC
From: W4UOC
Topic: 1967  Message: 1967

Confirm with James Vaught if you plan to attend the dinner at Brandon Hall School!
I will not as Peg and I will be out of the country!

Tom Koch W4UOC

Sent from my iPhone

Begin forwarded message:

> From: James Vaught <jvaught@...>
> Date: October 5, 2013 at 12:43:10 PM EDT
> To: W4UOC W4UOC <w4uoc@...>
> Subject: DINNER TUESDAY
>
> TUESDAY DINNER WILL BE AT 5:00. JBV
>
>
>
>

# 1968. North Fulton ARES Net, 10/6/2013, 8:30 pm

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2013-10-05 20:30:48 UTC
From: nfares@yahoogroups.com
Topic: 1968  Message: 1968

Reminder from: nfares Yahoo Group
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# 1969. North Fulton ARES Meeting, 10/8/2013, 7:00 pm

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2013-10-06 19:00:57 UTC
From: nfares@yahoogroups.com
Topic: 1969  Message: 1969

Reminder from: nfares Yahoo Group
http://groups.yahoo.com/group/nfares/cal

North Fulton ARES Meeting
Tuesday October 8, 2013
7:00 pm - 9:00 pm
(GMT+00:00)
Location: Brandon Hall School - 1701 Brandon Hall Drive Sandy Springs, GA 30350

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# 1970. NFARES Monthly Meeting, 10/8/2013, 7:00 pm

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2013-10-06 19:01:15 UTC
From: nfares@yahoogroups.com
Topic: 1970  Message: 1970

Reminder from: nfares Yahoo Group
http://groups.yahoo.com/group/nfares/cal

NFARES Monthly Meeting
Tuesday October 8, 2013
7:00 pm - 8:30 pm
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Location: Brandon Hall School - 1701 Brandon Hall Drive Sandy Springs, GA 30350

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# 1971. Dual band J-Pole

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2013-10-07 02:00:24 UTC
From: Jim Stafford
Topic: 1971  Message: 1971

Several folks have asked about a fold up j-pole antenna for hoisting up in a tree for ARES work. And I'll bet more than a couple of you could see yourself using one as in the SET this past weekend.

N7QPP (JOE) VP of NFARL has ordered and used the one by Edison Fong and his group of students who make them for a college somewhere out west. Here are some details on this antenna which was in QST a while back:

1. QST article- http://harriscountyares.org/training/KNW/KNW-109.pdf
2. eHam Review - http://www.eham.net/reviews/detail/6376
3. Fong's email edison_fong@... Article says they build them for $20. You should write him for details.
Of course, you can build one yourself but for $20 it may not be worth it!

Here is one on ebay that does not seem to be a FONG but looks pretty good and seems to choices of connector:

http://www.ebay.com/itm/ROLL-UP-J-POLE-SLIM-JIM-FOR-2-METER-BAOFENG-TYT-WOXOUN-YAESU-ICOM-ECOM-/190917311003?pt=US_Ham_Radio_Transceivers&hash=item2c738efa1b

He has 100% feedback rating on 579 items.

Lastly, I have built a 2M roll up and would be happy to either have you come by and build one or maybe we could do some at the NFARES meeting sometime.

jim/w4qo

# 1972. Fwd: [nfares] NFARES Monthly Meeting, 10/8/2013, 7:00 pm

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2013-10-07 22:07:18 UTC
From: Mike Cohen
Topic: 1970  Message: 1972

2103 NFARES SET Team and all NFARES members,

We will begin the review of our 2013 NFARES SET at this month's NFARES meeting.

*Spoiler alert... Our preliminary ARRL Form A SET points total is even higher than last year's record setting score for NFARES !!*

Here's a heads up of the first *draft* of the 2013 NFARES SET Review<https://docs.google.com/document/d/1-LrNhTxalkz5nMQp9A9EJFwBXHWZDkRYQKnYXRSPSBM/edit?usp=sharing>
document
that we will be discussing. This is a dynamic document in that it will be continually updated throughout the year and it is only as good as the comments and issues you add and help us to resolve.

If you have any comments that you would like to add before the meeting, just send them to me and I will try to update the draft before the meeting.

Also, please check over the latest NFARES 2013 SET<https://docs.google.com/spreadsheet/ccc?key=0Ah8TgYV27SbEdDMyeldRVTFILVlZdlZaSVRIYlhZY3c&pli=1#gid=0>
file to see if *your* information is correctly entered. Let me know if there are any errors or omissions. We've had a great response from most of you who provided your Message Log Forms. Thank you for being so prompt.

Following our SET review, Wayne, KG5WU, will be giving a presentation on a surprise topic that I am sure you will really enjoy.

73,
Mike - AD4MC

Mike Cohen
(404) 981-8624

---------- Forwarded message ----------
From: <nfares@yahoogroups.com>
Date: Sun, Oct 6, 2013 at 3:01 PM
Subject: [nfares] NFARES Monthly Meeting, 10/8/2013, 7:00 pm
To: nfares@yahoogroups.com

Reminder from: *nfares Yahoo Group<http://groups.yahoo.com/group/nfares/cal>
* Title: NFARES Monthly Meeting Date: Tuesday October 8, 2013 Time: 7:00 pm - 8:30 pm (GMT+00:00) Location: Brandon Hall School - 1701 Brandon Hall Drive Sandy Springs, GA 30350 Get reminders on your mobile, Yahoo Messenger, and email.

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# 1973. Dinner at Tijuana Joes at 5:45 tonight?

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2013-10-08 18:39:41 UTC
From: Jim Stafford
Topic: 1973  Message: 1973

Would you like to join me at 5:45 at TJ just north of Sandy Springs government offices on Roswell Road? I'll be there. I just have a taste for Mexican tonight!

No reply needed. I'll be there in any case. :)

Jim/W4QO
R
P

# 1974. North Fulton ARES Net, 10/13/2013, 8:30 pm

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2013-10-12 20:30:45 UTC
From: nfares@yahoogroups.com
Topic: 1974  Message: 1974

Reminder from: nfares Yahoo Group
http://groups.yahoo.com/group/nfares/cal

North Fulton ARES Net
Sunday October 13, 2013
8:30 pm - 9:00 pm
(GMT+00:00)
Location: 147.060( ) NFARL repeater (PL 100)

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# 1975. My SET setup

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2013-10-13 23:49:06 UTC
From: <pavel.anni@...>
Topic: 1975  Message: 1975

As it was my first SET I thought it might be useful to describe my own setup, at least for my own records. Also, we can exchange here some helpful ideas for those who are new to ARES, like me.

So, here is what I used:
Kenwood TM-V71A radio
Diamond X-50A antenna RG-8X coax cable (25' or so) Anderson powerpole 4-connector hub Werker 20 A*h battery (bought it for ~$85 from BatteryPlus) 10' PVC pipe 1.5" diameter from Home Depot (~$4.50) to use it as a mast Christmas tree stand for the mast - when there is no wind, it worked pretty well PG-5H cable kit: for audio and control connections + RS-232-to-USB converter Lenovo ThinkPad X230 with a docking station (to be able to use separate phone and microphone plugs)
Linux Xubuntu 13.04 with Fldigi, Flmsg (latest versions) Baofeng UV-5R as a spare/monitoring station. It worked pretty well for me, I can't complain. If I had to wish for something, it would be ability to receive and transmit digitally on both channels on my Kenwood TM-V71A. I could listen audio on both, but if I wanted to receive digital, I could do it only on channel B.

My personal best was reaching digitally from Alpharetta FS#1 to Sandy Springs FS#4 - roughly 15-16 miles direct line - but I had to use High power (50 W on my Kenwood).

I'll appreciate advice and feedback! If you can share your configs and experience in this topic, it will be very useful for all club members, I am sure.

73,
Pavel AC4PA

# 1976. Ham radio operators needed for Atlanta Marathon (10/27/13) and Atlanta Half Marathon (11/28/13)

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2013-10-15 10:14:18 UTC
From: David Ziskind, KE4QLH
Topic: 1976  Message: 1976

I am looking for ham radio volunteers for the Atlanta Marathon on Sunday, October 27, 2013 as well as the Atlanta Half Marathon on Thanksgiving Day (Thursday, November 28, 2013).

I hope you can join us for one or both events this year.

Please sign up for the Marathon (10/27/13) here: <
http://www.doitsports.com/volunteer2/info.tcl?job_id=54220354>

Please sign up for the Half Marathon (11/28/13) here: <
http://www.doitsports.com/volunteer2/info.tcl?job_id=24976808>

I look forward to your sign up! Thanks again for your support.

73,
David Ziskind KE4QLH
ke4qlh@...

# 1977. North Fulton ARES Net, 10/20/2013, 8:30 pm

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2013-10-19 20:30:49 UTC
From: nfares@yahoogroups.com
Topic: 1977  Message: 1977

Reminder from: nfares Yahoo Group
http://groups.yahoo.com/group/nfares/cal

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# 1978. NFARES 2-meter net, Sunday, October 20, 2013

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2013-10-21 01:13:45 UTC
From: Mike Cohen
Topic: 1978  Message: 1978

We had 12 check-ins on the NFARES 2-meter net, Sunday, October 20, 2013

K4SQC – John, Johns Creek

KK4PCR – Grant, Sandy Springs

KK4KKF – Stu, Cumming

KK4JYO – Fred, Roswell, BP

K4LJG – Mike, E. Cobb

AK4EX – Stuart, Sandy Springs, BP

AC4PA – Pavel, Alpharetta, BP

KG5WU – Wayne, Sandy Springs, BP

KE4EM – Bob, Roswell

KK4HUU – Bobby, Roswell, BP

N4OKN – Will, Roswell, Pedestrian Mobile, BP

AD4MC (NCS) - Mike, Sandy Springs, BP

BP = Battery Power

EL = EchoLink (No check-ins this evening)

Comments:

AD4MC:

Ham Cram at Brandon Hall School Saturday resulted in 13 new hams.

ARRL School Club Roundup at Miss Springs Academy next week.

We welcome all NFARES members to be NCS at least once per year. The Net Script can be found at nfares.org.

The next scheduled net will be Sunday, October 27th This net closed at 8:48 PM.

73,

Mike - AD4MC

404-981-8624

# 1979. Help needed for Marathon on Sunday

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2013-10-21 11:20:04 UTC
From: <wcchapman@...>
Topic: 1979  Message: 1979

Please consider volunteering some time to support communications for the Atlanta Marathon this coming Sunday 10/27.

There are still seven positions open To sign up, follow this link:

http://www.doitsports.com/volunteer2/info.tcl?job_id=54220354
http://www.doitsports.com/volunteer2/info.tcl?job_id=54220354

Thanks!

73 de Wayne / kg5wu

# 1980. Amateur Radio Emergency Service - 2013 Simulated Emergency Test - Review

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2013-10-21 18:47:10 UTC
From: w4uoc@...
Topic: 1980  Message: 1980
Attachments: 10 described; binary payloads are missing from this source WARC

Sirs,
I am writing to express my appreciation for your cooperation and assistance in support of the 2013 Amateur Radio Emergency Service's 4th annual Simulated Emergency Test (SET).
The North Fulton Amateur Radio Emergency Service (NFARES) along with the Georgia Amateur Radio Emergency Service (GARES) and the Amateur Radio Relay League (ARRL) annually conduct this exercise across the nation to test our emergency service communications networks in support of various city, county, state and national public safety organizations.
This year our North Fulton ARES group supported all six of the North Fulton cities of Alpharetta, Milton, Roswell, Sandy Springs, Johns Creek and Dunwoody which is served by ChatComm 911 out of the Sandy Springs EOC.
Fifty one volunteers at twenty seven locations that included fire stations, police headquarters, simulated emergency shelters, Emory Johns Creek, North Fulton and Northside hospitals.
We had three net control stations located at the Sandy Springs, Roswell and Alpharett/Milton Emergency Operations Centers. The area wide net control station was located at the area wide incident command headquarters for the six cities.
Both voice and digital messages were transmitted within each cities jurisdiction and coordination messages were relayed between jurisdictions.
During this four hour exercise 114 formal ICS-213 messages, were sent of which 28 were by voice and 86 were sent as digital text or data messages.
Most of the messages were internal to the North Fulton jurisdictions but several summary messages were set to the Georgia Emergency Management organizations (GEMA) the Red Cross and other state or national emergency responder organizations.
Again, thank you for your support with this effort.
Thomas E. Koch – W4UOC
Emergency Coordinator – North Fulton Amateur Radio Emergency Service
8170 Habersham Waters Road
Sandy Springs, GA 30350
404-314-6109
_w4uoc@..._ (mailto:w4uoc@...)

Sandy Springs EOC – Grant Register KK4PCR Sandy Springs FS #4 – Lynn KK4PMY Betty KK4QPY

Sandy Springs Police HQ – Officer Mike Stark N4MSS
Alpharetta FS #4 – Bill W2ASL
r
Alpharetta/Milton EOC – Scott N4SBD Jim N4SEC Johns Creek Police HQ – Steve W9SH

Roswell Shelter 1 – Bob KE4EM Bruce KI4WOQ
North Fulton Hospital – Garry AK4NA

North Fulton Charity – Daryl KK4RGK
Roswell FS #6 – Omar KK4DKN

# 1981. ELECRAFT ENTHUSIASTS FOR THE ATONE MOUNTAIN HAMFEST

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2013-10-23 02:07:33 UTC
From: Mike Lozano
Topic: 1981  Message: 1981

To "Elecraft Equipment Owners" in the Atlanta Area,

As you know, Elecraft is a left (West) coast company that produces some the best Kit and/or Assembled Ham Radio Equipment in the USA (also in the world).

Because of this fact, Elecraft depends upon "Enthusiast", who are "Owners of Elecraft Equipment" to display "THEIR EQUIPMENT" at various Hamfests across the country, especially when THEIR Representatives cannot make it to any particular hamfest, as they are a relatively small company. While both Eric and Wayne, the Company's Co-Owners, try to get out to some of the Larger Hamfests acrossko the country, they can't make it to most!

Hopefully, some year, we can get either one or both of them to to come to one of Atlanta's Hamfest.

In the meantime, once again, I am looking for Former or New Enthusiasts to Display and Demonstrate their Elecraft Equipment, and the various manners the pack, carry and operate this fine Equipment!

For doing so for a 2-4 hour block, you will receive a ticket into the Hamfest, Lunch and if you are a new Enthusiast, you will receive an Elecraft Polo Shirt!

We also like to display the widest range of Elecraft Equipment. While it will be nice to have 10 KX3s there, we want to be able to display everything that Elecraft manufactures, including mini-mods and some of their older models like the K1and the KX1.

For those who have participated before, I sure hope, you consider participating once again! For those who have not participated as an Enthusiasts, I think you'll have a good time.

So if you can help out during the Stone Mountain Hamfest on Sat, 2 November (8:00 am - 4:00 pm) and Sun, 3 November (08:00 am - 2:00 pm). Please contact me by responding to this e-mail or send an email to me at "kf4upo@...".

Please let me know what type of ELECRAFT Equipment you own & can demo. Also, let me know what day/time slot you will be willing to participate.

Please consider a 4 hour time slot am or pm on Sat (8:00 am - 12:00 pm & 12:00 pm - 4:00 pm) and 8:00am - 12:00 pm on Sun. Please also consider a 2 hour slot anytime during each day - the more folks we have, the more we can each also enjoy the Hamfest! This is always a good time for all our Enthusiasts.

Thanks,

Mike
KF4UPO

# 1982. North Fulton ARES Net, 10/27/2013, 8:30 pm

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2013-10-26 20:30:41 UTC
From: nfares@yahoogroups.com
Topic: 1982  Message: 1982

Reminder from: nfares Yahoo Group
http://groups.yahoo.com/group/nfares/cal

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# 1983. Metro Atlanta ARES Net - Nov 3rd - NCS Needed as NFARES is NCS for Nov

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2013-11-01 11:58:28 UTC
From: w4uoc@...
Topic: 1983  Message: 1983
Attachments: 1 described; binary payloads are missing from this source WARC

I need a NFARES volunteer to call the Metro Atlanta ARES net that meets
once a month on the first Sunday of each month. North Fulton ARES is
responsible for providing the NCS for November. We need a net control station to
call this net that takes about 1/2 hour starting at 4:00 p.m. on the
145.430 - 600 repeater with a tone of 107.2Hz

Sunday, November 3rd on 145.430 repeater or Echolink wb4nws-r, at 4pm

Remember the time change back to EST will be effective for this net.

***Please note attached pre-amble***

If you can be NCS please let me know as soon as possible.

Tom Koch - W4UOC

EC - North Fulton ARES

404-314-6109

# 1984. Re: [nfares] Metro Atlanta ARES Net - Nov 3rd - NCS Needed as NFARES is NCS for Nov

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2013-11-01 13:55:53 UTC
From: Jim Stafford
Topic: 1983  Message: 1984

I can do it as a backup to a backup!  Let me know if you need me to do it.

NoGaNuT Jim/w4qo

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From: "w4uoc@..." <w4uoc@...>
To: nfares@yahoogroups.com
Cc: ad4mc.mike@gmail.com; wcchapman@...; swilliams2549@...; gregister@bellsouth.net; Bret@...; garrettbrass@...; mwbirmingham@gmail.com
Sent: Friday, November 1, 2013 7:58 AM
Subject: [nfares] Metro Atlanta ARES Net - Nov 3rd - NCS Needed as NFARES is NCS for Nov

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meets once a month on the first Sunday of each month.  North Fulton ARES is
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Tom
Koch - W4UOC
EC
- North Fulton ARES
404-314-6109

# 1985. Re: Metro Atlanta ARES Net - Nov 3rd - NCS Needed as NFARES is NCS for Nov

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2013-11-01 18:06:27 UTC
From: Michael Birmingham
Topic: 1983  Message: 1985

Tom,

Whoops! Didn’t have the PL tone on. Works just fine from here. :-)

Mike

On Nov 1, 2013, at 7:58 AM, w4uoc@... wrote:

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> ***Please note attached pre-amble***
>
> If you can be NCS please let me know as soon as possible.
>
> Tom Koch - W4UOC
> EC - North Fulton ARES
> 404-314-6109
> <MetroAtlantaNetPreamblerevisedOctober312013.pdf>

# 1986. North Fulton ARES Net, 11/3/2013, 8:30 pm

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2013-11-02 19:30:43 UTC
From: nfares@yahoogroups.com
Topic: 1986  Message: 1986

Reminder from: nfares Yahoo Group
http://groups.yahoo.com/group/nfares/cal

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# 1987. NFARES 2-meter net, Sunday, November 3, 2013

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2013-11-04 02:50:42 UTC
From: <ad4mc.mike@...>
Topic: 1987  Message: 1987

We had 14 check-ins on the NFARES 2-meter net, Sunday, November 3, 2013

W4UOC – Tom, EC North Fulton, Sandy Springs, BP
KR4MM – Bryan, Johns Creek
AK4EX – Stuart, Sandy Springs, BP
N4SEC – Jim, Alpharetta, BP
AC4PA – Pavel, Alpharetta, BP
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KG5WU – Wayne, Sandy Springs, BP
K4LJG – Mike, E. Cobb, EL, BP
KK4PMY – Lynne, E. Cobb, EL, BP
K4UPO – Mike, Norcross, BP
N4OKN – Will, Roswell, BP
KK4RGK – Daryl, Roswell
AD4MC (NCS) - Mike, Sandy Springs, BP
BP = Battery Power
EL = EchoLink

Comments:
W4UOC – Tom,
Complimented and thanked Mike, K4LJG, for volunteering to be NCS for the Metro Atlanta Net. Helped Grant, KK4PCR set up a G5RV antenna.

KG5WU – Wayne,
Presented Net procedures training as a follow up to the Metro Atlanta Net. Requested that we all practice using the International Phonetic alphabet, at least for our call signs and names to facilitate copying that information over the air.

We welcome all NFARES members to be NCS at least once per year. The Net Script can be found at nfares.org.

The next scheduled net will be Sunday, November 10th This net closed at 9:02 PM.

73,
Mike - AD4MC
404-981-8624

# 1988. Oregon OEM: We Need More Hams!

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2013-11-06 03:23:43 UTC
From: <pavel.anni@...>
Topic: 1988  Message: 1988

Interesting article about Oregon emergency test:
http://www.arrl.org/news/view/oregon-oem-we-need-more-hams

Instead of modeling a tornado situation they tested something different.

"The exercise scenario over the November 2-3 weekend was a crippling cyber attack on the power grid that takes out telephone and Internet access. In such situations, emergency planners “have identified Amateur Radio as the fallback method of communication,” the OPB story said."

73, Pavel AC4PA

# 1989. NFARES AGENDA NOVEMBER 12th. Brandon Hall School

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2013-11-06 12:51:45 UTC
From: w4uoc@...
Topic: 1989  Message: 1989

I am looking forward to see you at the North Fulton Amateur Radio Emergency Service meeting scheduled for Tuesday November 12th at the Brandon Hall School with the meeting scheduled to start a 7:00 p.m..

The agenda for the meeting will include:

1. Barry Kanne W4TGA, will present a program pertaining to the Georgia Hospital Association's statewide amateur radio emergency communications network and their utilization of voice and digital messaging systems..

2. Amateur Radio Go Kits - If you have and are willing to show and demonstrate your "Go Kit Communications System" for the group let me know _w4uoc@..._ (mailto:w4uoc@...) prior to the meeting. The Go Kit Communications System should be capable of both voice and digital communications. We will provide time during the second portion of the meeting for the demonstrations. To eliminate the need to bring heavy batteries and or HF antennas I will provide two 12vdc power supplies with power pole or screw on terminals for the demonstration period and a 52ohm dummy load to the HF and or VHF/UHF radio demonstrations..

3. Dinner next Tuesday 11/12 will be at 5:45 PM. at a cost of $8.00.
The menu is scheduled to include :
Bacon Cheeseburger Baked Potato Wedges Sauteed Spinach
If you plan to join the group for dinner please respond to James Vaught by email to _jvaught@..._ (mailto:jvaught@...)

73
Tom Koch - EC - North Fulton ARES
_w4uoc@..._ (mailto:w4uoc@...)

# 1990. Re: [nfares] Oregon OEM: We Need More Hams!

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2013-11-06 19:02:18 UTC
From: Jim Stafford
Topic: 1988  Message: 1990

Cool idea!

NoGaNuT Jim/w4qo

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From: "pavel.anni@..." <pavel.anni@...>
To: nfares@...m
Sent: Tuesday, November 5, 2013 10:23 PM
Subject: [nfares] Oregon OEM: We Need More Hams!

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73, Pavel AC4PA

# 1991. Re: NFARES AGENDA NOVEMBER 12th. Brandon Hall School

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2013-11-09 20:21:22 UTC
From: Mike Cohen
Topic: 1989 Message: 1991

Gerry,

Good to see you at HamJam today and congratulations on your new call, KK4USI. I just sent you an invitation to join the NFARES@yahoogroups.comblog to get future NFARES announcements.

Here's the info on the next NFARES meeting. If you want to join us for dinner, send an e-mail to James, jvaught@....

Looking forward to seeing you on Tuesday.

73,
Mike - AD4MC

Mike Cohen
(404) 981-8624

On Wed, Nov 6, 2013 at 7:51 AM, <W4UOC@...> wrote:

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>

> 73
> Tom Koch - EC - North Fulton ARES
> w4uoc@...
>
>

# 1992. North Fulton ARES Net, 11/10/2013, 8:30 pm

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2013-11-09 20:30:50 UTC
From: nfares@yahoogroups.com
Topic: 1992  Message: 1992

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# 1993. North Fulton ARES Meeting, 11/12/2013, 7:00 pm

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2013-11-10 19:01:12 UTC
From: nfares@yahoogroups.com
Topic: 1993  Message: 1993

Reminder from: nfares Yahoo Group
http://groups.yahoo.com/group/nfares/cal

North Fulton ARES Meeting
Tuesday November 12, 2013
7:00 pm - 9:00 pm
(GMT+00:00)
Location: Brandon Hall School - 1701 Brandon Hall Drive Sandy Springs, GA 30350

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# 1994. NFARES PRE MEETING DINNER NOV 12TH - ANNOUNCEMENT

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2013-11-11 20:20:33 UTC
From: w4uoc@...
Topic: 1994  Message: 1994

For those of you that plan to have dinner at the Brandon Hall School, prior to the meeting, dinner will be served at 5:30 PM instead of 5:45 PM. This is to help students get to study hall on time.

The meeting will start at 7:00 PM in the lower level conference room of the Brandon Hall middle school building. The agenda will include a program by Barry Kanne W4TGA pertaining to the Georgia Hospital Association's Amateur Radio Network. Some NFARES members will then show their Go Kit Radios and discuss deployment of emergency communications systems in an emergency.

If you plan to join us for dinner please RSVP to James Vaughn KK4IZN _jvaught@..._ (mailto:jvaught@...)

73

Tom Koch - W4UOC
EC - North Fulton ARES

# 1995. A clip from ARRL Georgia on My Mind - Activities. - NFARES

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2013-11-12 14:54:06 UTC
From: w4uoc@...
Topic: 1995  Message: 1995

Thanks to the reporting of Wayne Chapman KG5WU our NFARES activities are well documented to Georgia state amateurs.

North Fulton/W4UOC, The NFARES SET was a big success. Forty five volunteers staffed thirty six locations throughout our six city territory in North Fulton County. We passed 104 digital IC-213 messages using FLDIGI MT63-2KL and 13 voice both IC-213 and Radiogram - messages between and among fire stations - police headquarters - simulated emergency shelters and three hospitals in Alpharetta - Milton - Roswell - Sandy Springs - Johns Creek – and Dunwoody. Additionally we operated three local simplex nets from several EOCs and one area-wide repeater net. More than half of the participants have been licensed less than five years. Several members from NFARES and NFARL volunteered to provide communications support for the Halloween Hikes at the Chattahoochee Nature Center. By all accounts the four-day event held over two weekends was quite the success. Sadly a long time volunteer for these hikes and other CNC events - Gill Maddox KF4ZNG - is now SK. He will be missed. NFARES provided communications support on both HF and VHF for the North Fulton Regional Hospital's emergency communications test with the Tenet Hospital Headquarters in Texas. Modes included SSB and digital. Two NFARES members and two NFARL members were among 20 hams from across metro Atlanta that provided communications support to the Atlanta Marathon. Combined time for all 20 hams: 113 hours! More than 1300 runners completed the marathon with another 1700 runners participating in a 10-mile and a 5K run. The weather was great for the event. Come join the fun on Thanksgiving Day for the Half Marathon! Hopefully some of it can make it to the Mid Month Report. 73 de Wayne / kg5wu

# 1996. North Fulton ARES Net, 11/17/2013, 8:30 pm

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2013-11-16 20:30:57 UTC
From: nfares@yahoogroups.com
Topic: 1996  Message: 1996

Reminder from: nfares Yahoo Group
http://groups.yahoo.com/group/nfares/cal

North Fulton ARES Net
Sunday November 17, 2013
8:30 pm - 9:00 pm
(GMT+00:00)
Location: 147.060( ) NFARL repeater (PL 100)

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# 1997. Ham stuff for sale...

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2013-11-17 22:17:49 UTC
From: Tim Lemmon
Topic: 1997  Message: 1997

Hey everyone.

It's gonna be a while till the next local hamfest, and I have a couple things to sell locally:

1.  SoftRock RXTX Ensemble Transceiver kit AND metal enclosure box.

I purchased this kit a couple years ago, along with the finished enclosure box.  Never got around to building it.  It's still in kit form, ready for you to build and enjoy.  The metal box is still in its original packaging.  This is a one watt Software Defined Radio (SDR) transceiver kit giving you CW, Phone and all the digital modes.  Plenty of information to be found on the Internet.  Even the building instructions are on the Internet.  The entire package would cost you $111 (plus shipping) new.  I'm splitting the cost 50% and asking $55 for the full package.

Ensemble Transceiver kit:
http://fivedash.com/index.php?main_page=product_info&cPath=1&products_id=7

Enclosure box:
http://fivedash.com/index.php?main_page=product_info&products_id=11

2.  Rooftop tripod (3 foot tall)
This is a new tripod still in it's original packaging.  Never used.  Will hold a light beam and rotor (like a 6M or 2M yagi).  I had plans to use it on my roof, but changed my mind and decided on a different direction.  It's exactly like the one in the link below.  You can buy one for full retail, or get one new from me for half price of $10.

Roof tripod:
http://www.a1components.com/BVModules/ProductTemplates/Bvc5/Product.aspx?productid=0bacb895-072c-4eb6-8487-5df9bca1aec6&gclid=CJP5iIPp7LoCFVFk7Aody00AnQ

Tim, WK4U

tim_lemmon@...
770-650-6464 @ home

# 1998. Re: Ham stuff for sale...

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2013-11-17 23:33:29 UTC
From: Tim Lemmon
Topic: 1997  Message: 1998

The softrock SDR kit has been sold.  Now who needs a nice new tripod for their antenna project?

Very 73;

Tim

# 1999. Code Talkers Get Congressional Gold Medal

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2013-11-21 17:44:23 UTC
From: w4uoc@...
Topic: 1999  Message: 1999

Native American Code Talkers Get Congressional Gold Medal
By Terri Moon Cronk of American Forces Press Service
WASHINGTON, Nov. 20, 2013 - Native American "code talkers" who transmitted codes based on 33 tribal dialects during World Wars I and II so enemies could not decipher them were patriots with "unique capabilities and willingness to give their talents and lives" to the nation, the vice chairman of the Joint Chiefs of Staff said today at a Congressional Gold Medal ceremony to honor them.
Navy Adm. James A. Winnefeld Jr., joined in the U.S. Capitol's Emancipation Hall by House and Senate leaders and other officials, recognized 216 code talkers and members of their families from those wars with the highest honor Congress can bestow.
Winnefeld said, "During Native American Heritage Month, I have the great privilege of representing the finest military in the world in recognizing hundreds of Native Americans who wore the cloth of our nation in the distinctive way we celebrate today, and in such a courageous way, defending a country that did not always keep its word to their ancestors."
Conceived in 1918, the code talker program eventually comprised more than 400 Native Americans who volunteered to defend the nation, the vice chairman said.
The role of the code talkers during the two world wars was kept a secret until 1968, officials said.
"Throughout history, military leaders have sought the perfect code -- signals the enemy cannot break, no matter how able the intelligence team," the vice chairman said. "It was our code talkers who created voice codes that defied decoding."
Winnefeld said the codes were "doubly clever" by using words that were confusing to the enemy, such as "crazy white man" for Adolf Hitler and "tortoise" for tank.
"Our code talkers' role in combat required intelligence, adaptability, grace under pressure, and bravery -- key attributes handed down by their ancestors," the admiral said.
Winnefeld said the code talkers endured some of the nation's most dangerous battles and served proudly during critical combat operations, such as the Choctaws at the Meuse-Argonne, Comanches on Utah Beach on D-Day, Hopis in the Caroline Islands and the Cherokees at the Second Battle of the Somme ...

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2285 Clematis St. Sarasota FL 324239 (Oct.-May)

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email _william.c.sexton@..._ (mailto:william.c.sexton@...)

# 2000. Wanted Table top rack/cabinet

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2013-11-21 19:58:58 UTC
From: w4uoc@...
Topic: 2000  Message: 2000
Attachments: 1 described; binary payloads are missing from this source WARC

I am looking for a table top rack/cabinet that can handle a 10.5 x 19" rack panel and it must be at a minimum of 17 " wide and 16" deep. Let me know if you have one or a source to find one. I want to install my Hallicrafter HT-20 transmitter in it.

73

Tom Koch - W4UOC
_w4uoc@..._ (mailto:w4uoc@...)
404-314-6109

# 2001. North Fulton ARES Net, 11/24/2013, 8:30 pm

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2013-11-23 20:30:33 UTC
From: nfares@yahoogroups.com
Topic: 2001  Message: 2001

Reminder from: nfares Yahoo Group
http://groups.yahoo.com/group/nfares/cal

North Fulton ARES Net
Sunday November 24, 2013
8:30 pm - 9:00 pm
(GMT+00:00)
Location: 147.060( ) NFARL repeater (PL 100)

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# 2002. North Fulton ARES Net, 12/1/2013, 8:30 pm

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2013-11-30 20:31:33 UTC
From: nfares@yahoogroups.com
Topic: 2002  Message: 2002

Reminder from: nfares Yahoo Group
http://groups.yahoo.com/group/nfares/cal

North Fulton ARES Net
Sunday December 1, 2013
8:30 pm - 9:00 pm
(GMT+00:00)
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# 2003. Ready Georgia

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2013-12-02 19:09:22 UTC
From: Mike Cohen
Topic: 2003  Message: 2003

Hers's a useful app for your iPhones and Androids

http://ready.ga.gov/mobileapp

73,
Mike - AD4MC

Mike Cohen
(404) 981-8624

# 2004. North Fulton ARES Net, 12/8/2013, 8:30 pm

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2013-12-07 20:30:45 UTC
From: nfares@yahoogroups.com
Topic: 2004  Message: 2004

Reminder from: nfares Yahoo Group
http://groups.yahoo.com/group/nfares/cal

North Fulton ARES Net
Sunday December 8, 2013
8:30 pm - 9:00 pm
(GMT+00:00)
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# 2005. North Fulton ARES Meeting, 12/10/2013, 7:00 pm

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2013-12-08 19:01:20 UTC
From: nfares@yahoogroups.com
Topic: 2005  Message: 2005

Reminder from: nfares Yahoo Group
http://groups.yahoo.com/group/nfares/cal

North Fulton ARES Meeting
Tuesday December 10, 2013
7:00 pm - 9:00 pm
(GMT+00:00)
Location: North American Mission Board, 4200 North Point Parkway, Alpharetta, GA 30022

Notes:
The next meeting for the North Fulton Amateur Radio Emergency Service on December 10th will be held at the North American Mission Board's national office located in Alpharetta, Ga starting at 7:00 p.m. Mr Fritz Wilson the Director of the Disaster Relief Operations Center will be our primary speaker and the program will describe how this organization is organized to help with disaster and emergency operations in the United States and foreign countries. Included in the program will be a tour of the Disaster Relief's new command center including the amateur radio station NA4MB.

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# 2006. OH8X tower collapse -huge 3 ele 160m beam

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2013-12-09 01:10:53 UTC
From: Stu Mitchell
Topic: 2006  Message: 2006
Attachments: 1 described; binary payloads are missing from this source WARC

Forwarded from a sister group….

OH8X tower collapse <http://dx-world.net/2013/oh8x-tower-collapse/>

Sunday Dec 08, 2013

<http://dx-world.net/wp-content/uploads/2013/12/160m-collapse.jpg>
http://dx-world.net/wp-content/uploads/2013/12/160m-collapse-95x95.jpg

Few days ago <https://twitter.com/DX_World/status/408247577822261248> we reported the collapse of the world's largest amateur antenna (a huge 3ele 160m yagi @ OH8X).

Here's the full report by Jarmo, OH2BN:

While driving to the Arctic region north of the city of Oulu at 65degrees North, you will now find the wintry landscape more naked than before. Something is missing from the landscape, a reflection of the challenges facing the stormy and icy North. Sorrow has descended on the population of the village of Arkala.

It was the recent storm
<http://yle.fi/uutiset/oskari_gives_finland_a_stormy_sunday/6963175> Oskari creating gusts of up to 68 knots (78MPH) that not only knocked down the massive 330ft (100m) 40+ ton 160/80M array but also left 200.000 homes in Finland without electricity. The mammoth structure collapsed peacefully, not hitting any of the other six towers, not hurting people or damaging buildings.

As professional engineering efforts had up to now ensured the survival of this 5-year old structure, inspectors are busy trying to evaluate the cause of the failure. It is suspected that automation designed to enable the array to find its most comfortable position in high winds somehow locked up and caused the structure to corkscrew. Consequently the giant crumbled down on its on base just like the WTC building in those other sad years.

But life goes on at Radio Arcala at OH8X and you may soon hear Santa Claus from the North of Finland bringing you the joy of Christmas in the form of OF9X, beaming over the North Pole on 20 meters and capitalizing on the famous Polar Path during the Holiday Season.

Thank you for your interest in Radio Arcala and many of its unforgettable endeavors. In summary, we would like to share with you this short poem and these consoling words of wisdom from the late Professor Hugh Cassidy, WA6AUD:

"The grief we feel we cannot tell. A sad day it was as our tower fell."

See here a short video clip with the OH8X beam before colapse:

http://vimeo.com/27737232

a base jumper vid--

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This email is free from viruses and malware because avast! Antivirus protection is active.
http://www.avast.com

# 2007. Need a volunteer to be NCS for Sunday, December 15, 2013, 8:30 PM 147.060(+) (PL 100)

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2013-12-09 13:48:57 UTC
From: Mike Cohen
Topic: 2007  Message: 2007

During last night's net, I volunteered to be NCS for our next net on December 15, but something came up and I won't be able to do it. ( I may be able to check in, though.)

We sure would appreciate one ( or more) of you volunteering to be NCS next Sunday. Please let me know if you are willing to volunteer.

Thanks!

73,
Mike - AD4MC

Mike Cohen
(404) 981-8624

# 2008. North Fulton ARES Net, 12/15/2013, 8:30 pm

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2013-12-14 20:30:54 UTC
From: nfares@yahoogroups.com
Topic: 2008  Message: 2008

Reminder from: nfares Yahoo Group
http://groups.yahoo.com/group/nfares/cal

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Sunday December 15, 2013
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# 2009. North Fulton ARES Net, 12/22/2013, 8:30 pm

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2013-12-21 20:30:55 UTC
From: nfares@yahoogroups.com
Topic: 2009  Message: 2009

Reminder from: nfares Yahoo Group
http://groups.yahoo.com/group/nfares/cal

North Fulton ARES Net
Sunday December 22, 2013
8:30 pm - 9:00 pm
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# 2010. NFARES 2-meter net, Sunday, December 22, 2013

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2013-12-23 02:10:28 UTC
From: Mike Cohen
Topic: 2010  Message: 2010

We had 12 check-ins on the NFARES 2-meter net, Sunday, December 22, 2013

N4MSS – Mike, Holly Springs, EL

AK4EX – Stuart, Salem, NC, EL

KK4VHZ – Tim, Roswell, BP

KK4USI – Gerry, Alpharetta, BP

W2ASL – Bill, Alpharetta, BP

KK4KKF – Stu, Cumming

K4LJG – Mike, E. Cobb

KG5WU – Wayne, Sandy Springs, BP

KK4JYO – Fred, Roswell, BP

N4SEC – Jim, Alpharetta

N4OKN – Will, Roswell, BP

AD4MC (NCS) - Mike, Sandy Springs, BP

BP = Battery Power

EL = EchoLink

Comments:

W2ASL – Bill

Note: The Red Cross has issued a flood warning for the area around Big Creek.

KG5WU – Wayne,

Gave a us a positive health report on his mom, which was well received by all.

We welcome all NFARES members to be NCS at least once per year. The Net Script can be found at nfares.org.

Merry Christmas, Happy Holidays and a happy & healthy New Year was express by all on the net.

The next scheduled net will be Sunday, December 29th This net closed at 8:49 PM.

73,
Mike - AD4MC

Mike Cohen
(404) 981-8624

# 2011. North Fulton ARES Net, 12/29/2013, 8:30 pm

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2013-12-28 20:30:56 UTC
From: nfares@yahoogroups.com
Topic: 2011  Message: 2011

Reminder from: nfares Yahoo Group
http://groups.yahoo.com/group/nfares/cal

North Fulton ARES Net
Sunday December 29, 2013
8:30 pm - 9:00 pm
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# 2016. NFARES Sunday Night Net 2013-12-29

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2014-01-01 14:10:08 UTC
From: Wayne Chapman
Topic: 2016  Message: 2016

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NFARES Sunday Night Net
(14 participants) 2013-12-29 30 mins

KG5WU (NCS) - Wayne Chapman
W4QO (ANCS) - Jim Stafford

AK4EX - Stuart Williams
AK4NA - Garry Brass
K4LJG - Mike Birmingham
KD9RU - Dave Hazell
KI4DSO - George Lane
KK4JYO - Fred Ackley
KK4KKF - Stu Mitchell
KK4RGK - Daryl Young
KK4USI - Gerry Werber
KR4MM - Bryan Gay
N4SEC - Jim Paine
W2ASL - Bill Hatherley
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# 2017. North Fulton ARES Net, 1/5/2014, 8:30 pm

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2014-01-04 20:30:57 UTC
From: nfares@yahoogroups.com
Topic: 2017  Message: 2017

Reminder from: nfares Yahoo Group
http://groups.yahoo.com/group/nfares/cal

North Fulton ARES Net
Sunday January 5, 2014
8:30 pm - 9:00 pm
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# 2018. NFARES Sunday Night Net for 2014-01-05

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2014-01-06 02:14:49 UTC
From: Wayne Chapman
Topic: 2018  Message: 2018

NFARES Sunday Night Net
(15 participants) 2014-01-05 30 mins

KG5WU (NCS) - Wayne Chapman
AK4NA (ANCS) - Garry Brass

AD4MC - Mike Cohen
AK4EX - Stuart Williams
K4LJG - Mike Birmingham
KK4JYO - Fred Ackley
KK4KKF - Stu Mitchell
KK4USI - Gerry Werber
KK4VHZ - Tim Romashka
N4MSS - Mike Stark
N4OKN - Will Adams
W2ASL - Bill Hatherley
W4KSO - Mike Anderson
W4QO - Jim Stafford
W4UOC - Tom Koch

Announcements:

W4UOC: Next NFARES meeting on Tuesday 14th at Brandon Hall School.
Topic is Winlink / RMS Express / WinMor
N4MSS: www.radioreference.com Sandy Springs Police radio feed
W4QO: TechFest this Saturday 11th (9a-1p)
TechNet - Monday night 830p 147.45 repeater
CW SIG - Jan 22

# 2019. Fwd: Weather Alert ARES Support Requested

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2014-01-06 04:36:07 UTC
From: W4UOC
Topic: 2019  Message: 2019

>> We have received a request from Chief Duke of the Sandy Springs Fire/Rescue department to be on standby to support the EOC efforts if the predicted weather to include ice and strong winds with potential for tree damage causing road blockage and downed power lines. I am requesting that those available monitor the NFARES repeater on 147.06 for further information pertaining to our support requests from the city . The EOC will be activated Tuesday - Wednesday or until the weather alerts have been cancelled.
>>
>> Tom Koch
>> 404-314-6109
>>
>> Sent from my iPhone

# 2020. Fwd: Winter weather next few days.

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2014-01-06 13:05:22 UTC
From: W4UOC
Topic: 2020  Message: 2020

Sent from my iPhone

Begin forwarded message:

> From: "Duke, Mark" <MDuke@...>
> Date: January 6, 2014 at 7:52:14 AM EST
> To: W4UOC <w4uoc@...>
> Cc: "McElfish, Jack" <JMcElfish@...>, "Smith, Daryl" <dsmith@...>
> Subject: Re: Winter weather next few days.
>
> Tom.
>
> Just got off the phone with the Eoc folks and they are not going to need any additional help. Cert has already been stood down and you guys can also.
>
> The weather didn't get as bad as first thought so now its a matter of dealing with some cold air for a few days.
>
> Thanks for the rapid deployment of your troops. You guys are a delight to have around.
>
> Thanks
>
> Mark Duke
> Deputy Chief-Interim
> Operations/Training/Support Services.
>
> Sandy Springs Fire Rescue
> 7840 Roswell Rd Bldg 500
> Sandy Springs GA 30350
>
> Cell: 678-614-2431
>
>
>> On Jan 6, 2014, at 7:38 AM, "W4UOC" <w4uoc@...> wrote:
>>
>> Do you have a cell phone number for Chief Smith in case I need to call him and does he have my cell phone? 404-314-6109
>> If it get's really busy we can put someone with you and the other vehicle that has
>> a amateur radio installed if needed. But I am quite sure your public safety radios should be fine and the radios in your vehicles not needed.
>>
>> Tom
>>
>> Sent from my iPad
>>

>>> On Jan 5, 2014, at 10:26 PM, "Duke, Mark" <MDuke@SandySpringsga.gov> wrote:
>>>
>>> Thanks Tom, you guys are the best. We aren't sure what to expect right now, but at a minimum there will be some slick roads and possible trees down with the high wind, then the temps drop.
>>>
>>> I agree, no since in putting folks at the stations. This is more of a monitor event and maybe an opportunity to do I dry run with the radios in the cars, etc.
>>>
>>> Chief Smith will be the contact in the morning on the first shift. I'm going to sleep in because in have the night half but I'm sure I will be down at some point.
>>>
>>> Mark Duke
>>> Deputy Chief-Interim
>>> Operations/Training/Support Services.
>>>
>>> Sandy Springs Fire Rescue
>>> 7840 Roswell Rd Bldg 500
>>> Sandy Springs GA 30350
>>>
>>> Cell: 678-614-2431
>>>
>>>
>>>> On Jan 5, 2014, at 10:20 PM, "W4UOC" <w4uoc@aol.com> wrote:
>>>>
>>>> Chief Duke,
>>>>
>>>> Yes I will organize our group to support your efforts. We will activate our repeater on 147.05 and get our stations throughout North Fulton on Ready/Standby. If needed I will come to the SSEOC. I will not assign operators to the Fire Stations at this time.
>>>>
>>>> In a previous situation/activation we sent our mobile units out utilizing a city grid to report downed trees, blocked roads, etc, and radio that information back to the EOC.
>>>>
>>>> Tom Koch
>>>> 404-314-6109
>>>> w4uoc@...
>>>>
>>>> Sent from my iPad
>>>>
>>>>> On Jan 5, 2014, at 6:11 PM, "Duke, Mark" <MDuke@...> wrote:
>>>>>
>>>>> Tom,
>>>>>
>>>>> Hope all is well. We are staffing up the Eoc starting tomorrow morning thru Wednesday morning and was wondering if the HAM guys will be on the air monitoring conditions or wanting to help in the Eoc.
>>>>>
>>>>> We aren't sure how bad this will be but We are planning ahead.
>>>>>

>>>>> Thanks.
>>>>>
>>>>> Mark Duke
>>>>> Deputy Chief-Interim
>>>>> Operations/Training/Support Services.
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# 2021. RMS Winlink Premeeting Preparations for the NFARES Meeting Jan 14, 2014

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2014-01-06 15:41:49 UTC
From: w4uoc@...
Topic: 2021  Message: 2021

In preparation for the January 14th NFARES meeting that will be held at the Brandon Hall School starting at 7:00 p.m. I would suggest you download RMS express and be prepared for the training at the meeting.

The download and set up guidelines have been provided by Wayne Chapman KG5WU.

Start reading here http://www.winlink.org/GetStarted

Setting up a winlink account is very easy, but it must be done via radio or telnet. Cannot be done via web browser.

All you have to do is connect via radio or telnet to one of the CMS servers. They suggest sending yourself an email (say to gmail.com or whatever). That establishes your account (and your _callsign@..._ (mailto:callsign@...) email address) and starts the 400 day countdown. (Every time to connect restarts the 400 day clock.)

So the procedure would be to download / install RMS Express. Software is here:
http://www.winlink.org/ClientSoftware Scroll down for "RMS Express" then click the "Winlink FTP site" link. From there, select "User Programs" then donwload the zip for RMS_Express_setup_(version number).zip. They only put one version at a time on the FTP server, so get whatever is there. After that, the software checks on startup to see if there is a later version which is can download / install itself.

Winmor is embedded in the RMS Express software. By selecting one of the Winmor options, the virtual Winmor TNC is invoked. You'll get a nag screen asking for a donation but it is not required to use the software.

73 de Wayne / kg5wu

# 2022. Space Station Tour

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2014-01-08 22:54:35 UTC
From: Mike Cohen
Topic: 2022  Message: 2022

For all of you who were involved with our ARISS ( Amateur Radio International Space Station) contact from Mill Springs Academy this year (and those who were not too), the video below will give you a greater appreciation of what goes on in the ISS.

Enjoy!

73,
Mike - AD4MC

Mike Cohen
(404) 981-8624

Take particular note of the sides of the space station and think about the brains it takes to put something like this into orbit and OPERATE

*THIS IS AMAZING--- I NEVER THOUGHT I WOULD EVER SEE ANYTHING LIKE THIS...ABSOLUTELY AWESOME! *

*I had no idea as to what the Space Station looks like. Now I do and it is very impressive. This is something worthwhile to watch. Forward this to your family and friends. **Don't forget your children and grandchildren. Enjoy-*

*Click here: Departing Space Station Commander Provides Tour of Orbital Laboratory - YouTube* <http://www.youtube.com/embed/doN4t5NKW-k>

# 2023. North Fulton ARES Net, 1/12/2014, 8:30 pm

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2014-01-11 20:30:55 UTC
From: nfares@yahoogroups.com
Topic: 2023  Message: 2023

Reminder from: nfares Yahoo Group
http://groups.yahoo.com/group/nfares/cal

North Fulton ARES Net
Sunday January 12, 2014
8:30 pm - 9:00 pm
(GMT+00:00)
Location: 147.060( ) NFARL repeater (PL 100)

Notes:
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# 2024. North Fulton ARES Meeting, 1/14/2014, 7:00 pm

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2014-01-12 19:00:57 UTC
From: nfares@yahoogroups.com
Topic: 2024  Message: 2024

Reminder from: nfares Yahoo Group
http://groups.yahoo.com/group/nfares/cal

North Fulton ARES Meeting
Tuesday January 14, 2014
7:00 pm - 9:00 pm
(GMT+00:00)
Location: Brandon Hall School - 1701 Brandon Hall Drive Sandy Springs, GA 30350

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# 2025. NFARES DINNER SCHEDULE

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2014-01-13 21:01:20 UTC
From: w4uoc@...
Topic: 2025  Message: 2025

For those of you that want to have dinner at Brandon Hall School Tuesday evening before the NFARES meeting which starts at 7:00 p.m. Dinner will be served at 5:30 p.m.

The cost for dinner is $8.00 and it is important that you arrive at or before 5:30 to get served.

The program will be on setting up and using Winlink, Telnet, and Winmor.

Tom Koch - W4UOC
EC - North Fulton ARES

# 2026. North Fulton ARES Net, 1/19/2014, 8:30 pm

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2014-01-18 20:30:53 UTC
From: nfares@yahoogroups.com
Topic: 2026  Message: 2026

Reminder from: nfares Yahoo Group
http://groups.yahoo.com/group/nfares/cal

North Fulton ARES Net
Sunday January 19, 2014
8:30 pm - 9:00 pm
(GMT+00:00)
Location: 147.060( ) NFARL repeater (PL 100)

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# 2027. // WLSK R/NFARES Net Report

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2014-01-20 03:27:11 UTC
From: Captain
Topic: 2027  Message: 2027

North Fulton ARES Net Report

8:30 PM, 19 January, 2014

AK4NA Garry Roswell Battery Net Control

AD4MC Mike Sandy Springs Battery Alternate Net Control

KK4USI Jerry Alpharetta Battery

K4LJG Mike East Cobb Commercial

N4SEC Jim Alpharetta Battery

KK4JYO Fred Roswell Battery

KK4PCR Grant Sandy Springs Commercial

AK4EX Stuart Sandy Springs Commercial

W2ASL Bill Alpharetta Battery

KK4VHZ Tim Roswell Battery

W4QO Jim Roswell Echo Link

KF4UPO Mike Norcross Echo Link

A total of 12 Stations Participated and the net closed at 8:42 PM Local Time

# 2028. For Sale Kenwood TS-520 station

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2014-01-22 20:54:32 UTC
From: w4uoc@...
Topic: 2028  Message: 2028
Attachments: 1 described; binary payloads are missing from this source WARC

For Sale Kenwood TS-520 station

I am offering to sell a Kenwood TS-520 80-10 meter,100 watt ssb/cw station complete with the remote VFO, Speaker and Kenwood MC-50 microphone. This would be a great starter station for a new amateur as it has built in AC and DC power supplies. With the pi-net tuning it will load most resonant antennas without an additional antenna tuner. I purchased this station from a longtime ham friend and I also know the original owner. I initially purchased it for a new amateur as a starter station but he changed his mind. I have been using it, during the holidays, at our cabin in North Georgia and found it has no problems or issues. I am asking $350.00 for the complete station. If your interested you can try it out at my QTH.

Tom Koch - W4UOC
8170 Habersham Waters Road
Sandy Springs, GA 30350
404-314-6109
_w4uoc@..._ (mailto:w4uoc@...)

# 2029. North Fulton ARES Net, 1/26/2014, 8:30 pm

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2014-01-25 20:30:55 UTC
From: nfares@yahoogroups.com
Topic: 2029  Message: 2029

Reminder from: nfares Yahoo Group
http://groups.yahoo.com/group/nfares/cal

North Fulton ARES Net
Sunday January 26, 2014
8:30 pm - 9:00 pm
(GMT+00:00)
Location: 147.060( ) NFARL repeater (PL 100)

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# 2030. EchoLink Down for 147.06 Machine

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2014-01-27 01:32:15 UTC
From: <stark148@...>
Topic: 2030  Message: 2030

Since I have been booted to the basement, I have not yet been able to get an antenna setup for communications on 147.06. I use Echolink to participate in the nets. Echolink will not connect tonight to that machine. 01-26-14 at 2030 hrs.

Thanks,
Mike
N4MSS

# 2031. ARES Net Report

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2014-01-27 02:41:19 UTC
From: Michael Birmingham
Topic: 943  Message: 2031

NFARES Net Report
Sunday January 26, 2014

K4LJG Mike East Cobb Commercial NCS
AD4MC Mike Sandy Springs Battery Alternate Net Control

W4UOC Tom EC Sandy Springs Battery

KK4WPH Jonathan Dunwoody Echolink
N4MSS Mike Canton Echolink
KK4USI Jerry Alpharetta Battery
AK4NA Garry Roswell Battery
N4SEC Jim Alpharetta Battery
W2ASL Bill Alpharetta Battery
AC4PA Pavel Alpharetta Battery
KK4JYO Fred Roswell Battery
KK4PCR Grant Sandy Springs Commercial
AK4EX Stuart Sandy Springs Commercial
KK4KKF Stu Cumming Commercial
KK4RGK Darrel Roswell Battery
KK4VHZ Tim Roswell Battery
W4KSO Mike Roswell Commercial

A total of 17 stations participated and the net closed at 8:57 PM local time

Announcements:
CW Net Monday 8:00 PM
Tech Net Monday 8:30

# 2032. Georgia ARES Recognition

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2014-01-27 16:07:13 UTC
From: w4uoc@...
Topic: 2032  Message: 2032

NFARES Team and NFARL Members,

I have received several calls from GA ARES members that attended last weekend's GA ARES state convention at the Georgia Public Service Training Center in Forsyth, GA, that I had been voted the GA ARES Ham of the year. I am somewhat embarrassed about receiving this award but was aware that many of you in our NFARES and NFARL organizations had nominated me and apparently voted for this award.

I am comfortable accepting the award only because it also recognized our NFARES organization and team.

I was unable to attend the meeting due to the fact that my wife and I are involved in making plans to travel to Minnesota to support my wife's sister, their family and husband who is in failing heath with terminal cancer.

A friend from the Ellijay Amateur Radio Society (EARS) was one of the persons attending the convention that contacted me to tell me of the award.

I told him that I did not think I deserve received this award compared the list of other nominees of which most of them I know and recognize their significant contributions to the Georgia ARES efforts.

His reply ,"When they read the nomination list of contributions,it was the clear choice considering the accomplishments of your group". If that was the basis of the award it should have been a team award for our NFARES organization not an individual award.

I am proud of what we have accomplished in the last five to seven years but those were team accomplishments not just mine! We have a great diverse team and leadership group that contributed to our efforts and successes not only in the support of the five cities in North Fulton but other metro area community events. The list of our involvement includes the support of marathons, cycle events, such as the GA-400, hospital communications support, CERT and best of all our annual Simulated Emergency Test efforts that consistently have resulted in high scores both for the state of Georgia and nationally as well.

As I look over the list of our current NFARES members many joined our group initially as Technician Class operators with a desire and interest in helping with public service and all have progressed in their knowledge of communications techniques, procedures, technical abilities and in many cases license upgrades.

Thank you all for your support and participation. Your are really the winners and I ask you all to be proud of your contributions that earned this recognition.

Tom Koch - W4UOC,

# 2033. Re: [nfarl] Georgia ARES Recognition

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2014-01-27 18:50:14 UTC
From: Michael Birmingham
Topic: 2032 Message: 2033

Congratulations, Tom! Well deserved. Mike K4LJG

On Jan 27, 2014, at 11:07 AM, w4uoc@... wrote:

>
> NFARES Team and NFARL Members,
>
> I have received several calls from GA ARES members that attended last weekend's GA ARES state convention at the Georgia Public Service Training Center in Forsyth, GA, that I had been voted the GA ARES Ham of the year. I am somewhat embarrassed about receiving this award but was aware that many of you in our NFARES and NFARL organizations had nominated me and apparently voted for this award.
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>
> Thank you all for your support and participation. Your are really the winners and I ask

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>
> Tom Koch - W4UOC,
>
>

# 2034. Hand Crank Generator

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2014-01-27 23:48:40 UTC
From: Grant Register
Topic: 2034  Message: 2034

For your information.

http://www.prestowind.com/?mainURL=/store/item/39ofk/Presto_Wind_Generator_Products/DeWalt_Camo_case_400_watt.html

Sent from my iPad Grant Register

# 2035. Winter Weather Alert - NFARES Informateion

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2014-01-28 15:21:24 UTC
From: w4uoc@...
Topic: 2035  Message: 2035

In preparation for potential winter weather in our area, I would remind you to monitor the 147.06 NFARES repeater for coordination announcements if we are needed to support public safety efforts during this winter warning alert.

Those with D/Star equipment, or D/Star Dongles we request that you also monitor D/Star Reflector 30-B during this period as well.

With the threat of winter weather across the north central and central parts of the state, please keep in mind that REF030B is our statewide linked D-STAR repeater network. If the need for reporting to National Weather Service occurs, we will convene a net there to relay reports to WX4PTC. For the next 48 hours, KI4SBA B will default link to REF030B to provide the best coverage in the interim. KI4SBA C defaults to REF030C in the interim, but has reduced coverage.
Tom Koch - W4UOC

# 2036. North Fulton ARES Net, 2/2/2014, 8:30 pm

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2014-02-01 20:30:56 UTC
From: nfares@yahoogroups.com
Topic: 2036  Message: 2036

Reminder from: nfares Yahoo Group
http://groups.yahoo.com/group/nfares/cal

North Fulton ARES Net
Sunday February 2, 2014
8:30 pm - 9:00 pm
(GMT+00:00)
Location: 147.060( ) NFARL repeater (PL 100)

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# 2037. //WL2K R/ NF ARES Sunday Net Report - Sunday February 2, 2014

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2014-02-03 02:27:05 UTC
From: Stu Mitchell
Topic: 2037  Message: 2037
Attachments: 1 described; binary payloads are missing from this source WARC

NFARES Net Report - Sunday February 2, 2014

KK4KKF Stu Cumming Commercial NCS
AD4MC Mike Sandy Springs Battery Alternate Net Control - Thanks to Mike for
Alt Net Control

KK4USI Jerry Alpharetta Battery
KG5WU Wayne Sandy Springs Battery
W2ASL Bill Atlanta Battery
K4LJG Mike East Cobb Commercial
AK4EX Stuart Sandy Springs Battery
AK4NA Garry Roswell Battery
AC4PA Pavel Alpharetta Battery
W4QO Jim Alpharetta Battery
KT4LS Lee P'Tree Corners Commercial Gwinnett
ARES
KK4TZK Debbie Sandy Springs Battery
KK4RGK Darrel Roswell Battery
KK4VHZ Tim Roswell Battery
AK4TL Clyde Dunwoody Battery

A total of 15 stations participated and the net closed at 8:59 PM (20:59)
local time

Announcements:
CW Net Monday 8:00 PM
Tech Net Monday 8:30 145.470

Shellon & Stu

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-Mark Twain

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# 2038. Fwd: [nfarl] NFARES Support Requested

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2014-02-07 05:20:38 UTC
From: W4UOC
Topic: 2038  Message: 2038

> NFARES Support Requested
>
> If you live in Sandy Springs starting tomorrow Feb 7th
> and experience winter weather like last week and have knowledge if icy on your neighborhood roads, please email that information to Crew Chief James Laudermilk JLaudermilk@... and copy me. w4uoc@...

>
>> The City has opened the EOC for the possible winter weather tonight.
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>>
>> (Activation Needs)
>>
>> In the event you encounter icy areas around you please sent me a email and I will forward to the appropriate person for proper assessment of the situation and prioritize as needed. As always protect your family first and do not attempt to drive on icy roads. No further activation needed at this time.
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>>
>> Thanks,
>>
>> James Laudermilk
>>
>
>

# 2039. NFARES Meeting Feb 11th 2014 - Winmor/Winlink Demonstration & Training

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2014-02-08 15:07:02 UTC
From: w4uoc@...
Topic: 2039  Message: 2039

In preparation for the February 11th NFARES meeting, that will be held at the Brandon Hall School, 1701 Brandon Hall Drive, starting at 7:00 p.m. I would suggest you download RMS express and be prepared for the training at the meeting.

If you have a lap top we will help you set up the parameters to make sure you have them correct.

Mike Cohen AD4MC will demonstrate a live HF connection using Winmor and send each of you a email via a remote amateur RMS (Remote Messaging Station) directly from our meeting room. Mike will be using a remote Internet connection to operate his home station, which in itself will be interesting.

The download and set up guidelines have been provided by Wayne Chapman KG5WU.

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Winmor is embedded in the RMS Express software. By selecting one of the Winmor options, the virtual Winmor TNC is invoked. You'll get a nag screen asking for a donation but it is not required to use the software.

See ya at the meetingn !!!

Tom Koch - W4UOC
Emergency Coordinator - North Fulton Amateur Radio Emergency Service

# 2040. NFARES Feb 11th Meeting Dinner Schedule

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2014-02-08 18:27:45 UTC
From: w4uoc@...
Topic: 2040  Message: 2040

If you want to join us for dinner before the NFARES meeting at Brandon Hall School, Dinner will be served at 5:30 p.m. in the dinning hall. But if you arrive after 5:30 all I can say is good luck! The line closes or runs out of food much past the ringing of the dinner bell.

If you plan to attend send an email to James Vaught KK4IZN _jvaught@..._ (mailto:jvaught@...) so he can get a head count of our group a day before the meeting/dinner. The charge for the dinner is $8.00 and it would help if you have the correct change !!!

As of today the following have committed to the dinner:
Mike Cohen- AD4MC
Tom Koch - W4UOC

# 2041. North Fulton ARES Net, 2/9/2014, 8:30 pm

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2014-02-08 20:30:56 UTC
From: nfares@yahoogroups.com
Topic: 2041  Message: 2041

Reminder from: nfares Yahoo Group
http://groups.yahoo.com/group/nfares/cal

North Fulton ARES Net
Sunday February 9, 2014
8:30 pm - 9:00 pm
(GMT+00:00)
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# 2042. North Fulton ARES Meeting, 2/11/2014, 7:00 pm

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2014-02-09 19:01:07 UTC
From: nfares@yahoogroups.com
Topic: 2042  Message: 2042

Reminder from: nfares Yahoo Group
http://groups.yahoo.com/group/nfares/cal

North Fulton ARES Meeting
Tuesday February 11, 2014
7:00 pm - 9:00 pm
(GMT+00:00)
Location: Brandon Hall School - 1701 Brandon Hall Drive Sandy Springs, GA 30350

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# 2043. NFARES Net Report 02/09/2014

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2014-02-10 03:01:39 UTC
From: Stu Mitchell
Topic: 2043  Message: 2043

Net Control Date

2/9/2014

NCS

KK4KKF

ANCS

AK4NA

Net Control Start Time

20:30

Net Control End Time

21:06

Attended

NCS

ANCS

Call

Name

Location

Power

Affiliation

Comments

W4UOC

Tom

Sandy Springs

Battery

NFARES EC

Tues Night Reminder; RMS Winlink Agenda; Monitor Repeater for Weather Notifications

AD4MC

Mike

Sandy Springs

Battery

NFARES

AK4EX

Stuart

Sandy Spring

Echolink

NFARES

Y

AK4NA

Garry

Roswell

Battery

NFARES

AK4TL

Clyde

Dunwoody

Battery

NFARES

K4LJG

Mike

East Cobb

Battery

NFARES

KG5WU

Wayne

Sandy Springs

Battery

NFARES

KK4JYO

Fred

Roswell

Battery

NFARES

Y

KK4KKF

Stu

Cumming

Commercial

NFARES

KK4PCR

Grant

Sandy Springs

Commercial

NFARES

KK4RGK

Darrel

Roswell

Battery

NFARES

KK4USI

Jerry

Alpharetta

Battery

NFARES

KK4VHZ

Tim

Roswell

Battery

NFARES

KT4LS

Lee

P'Tree Corners

Battery

Gwinn ARES

W2ASL

Bill

Alpharetta

Battery

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KK4IZN

James

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-Mark Twain

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# 2044. NFARES Net Report 02092014 as Text

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2014-02-10 03:11:01 UTC
From: Stu Mitchell
Topic: 2044  Message: 2044
Attachments: 1 described; binary payloads are missing from this source WARC

Net Control Date 2/9/2014 NCS
KK4KKF ANCS AK4NA

Net Control Start Time 20:30 Net Control End Time
21:06

Attended NCS ANCS Call Name
Location Power Affiliation
Comments

W4UOC
Tom Sandy Springs Battery NFARES EC Tues
Night Reminder; RMS Winlink Agenda; Monitor NF Repeater for Weather
Notifications

AD4MC
Mike Sandy Springs Battery NFARES

AK4EX
Stuart Sandy Spring Echolink NFARES

Y AK4NA
Garry Roswell Battery NFARES

K4TL
Clyde Dunwoody Battery NFARES

K4LJG
Mike East Cobb Battery NFARES

G5WU
Wayne Sandy Springs Battery NFARES

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Grant Sandy Springs Commercial NFARES

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Darrel Roswell Battery NFARES

KK4USI
Jerry Alpharetta Battery NFARES

KK4VHZ
Tim Roswell Battery NFARES

KT4LS
Lee P'Tree Corners Battery Gwinn ARES

W2ASL
Bill Alpharetta Battery NFARES

KK4IZN
James Brandon Hall Commercial NFARES

W4MA
Bill Melbourne FL EchoLink NFARES

Total Attendee: 17

Next Meeting Sunday Feb 16, 2014 @2030

Thanks

Shellon & Stu

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laugh uncontrollably, and never regret anything that made you smile. Twenty
years from now you will be more disappointed by the things you didn't do
than by the ones you did. So throw off the bowlines. Sail away from the safe
harbor. Catch the trade winds in your sails. Explore. Dream. Discover."
-Mark Twain

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http://www.avast.com
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# 2045. NFARES Net Report 2014/02/09 as Text (ver 2)

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2014-02-10 03:44:38 UTC
From: Stu Mitchell
Topic: 2045  Message: 2045
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##Apologies - Automating the Net Roster Check In and Reporting via XL - then send one as Text and One as HTML -

##needs some formatting tweaks - there's text and then there's email text

##This one may be cleaner

Net Control Date 2/9/2014 NCS
KK4KKF ANCS AK4NA

Net Control Start Time 20:30 Net Control End Time
21:06

Call Name Location
Power Affiliation

W4UOC Tom Sandy Springs Battery
NFARES EC

AD4MC Mike Sandy Springs Battery
NFARES

AK4EX Stuart Sandy Spring Echolink
NFARES

AK4NA Garry Roswell Battery
NFARES

AK4TL Clyde Dunwoody Battery
NFARES

K4LJG Mike East Cobb
Battery NFARES

KG5WU Wayne Sandy Springs Battery
NFARES

KK4JYO Fred Roswell
Battery NFARES

KK4KKF Stu Cumming
Commercial NFARES

KK4PCR Grant Sandy Springs Commercial
NFARES

KK4RGK Darrel Roswell
Battery NFARES

KK4USI Jerry Alpharetta
Battery NFARES

KK4VHZ Tim Roswell
Battery NFARES

KT4LS Lee P'Tree Corners Battery
Gwinn ARES

W2ASL Bill Alpharetta
Battery NFARES

KK4IZN James Brandon Hall Commercial
NFARES

W4MA Bill Melbourne FL EchoLink
NFARES

Comments:

Tues Night Reminder; RMS Winlink Agenda; Monitor Repeater for Weather Notifications

Total Count Check Ins: 17

Next Meeting Sunday Feb 16, 2014 @2030

Shellon & Stu

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"Life is short, break the rules, forgive quickly, kiss slowly, love truly, laugh uncontrollably, and never regret anything that made you smile. Twenty years from now you will be more disappointed by the things you didn't do than by the ones you did. So throw off the bowlines. Sail away from the safe harbor. Catch the trade winds in your sails. Explore. Dream. Discover."
-Mark Twain

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# 2046. Interesting reading for us older hams.... maybe the new ones too.

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2014-02-10 18:22:59 UTC
From: w4uoc@...
Topic: 2046  Message: 2046

Interesting reading:

http://hamgallery.com/qsl/Maritime/li2b.htm

http://hamgallery.com/qsl/Maritime/li2b.pdf

Actually I am quite sure the receiver was a National HRO-60 receiver not a National 173.

Tom Koch - W4UOC

# 2047. Re: [nfarl] Interesting reading for us older hams.... maybe the new ones too.

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2014-02-10 20:59:37 UTC
From: Bill Reed
Topic: 2046  Message: 2047

Remember reading about the voyage, it held my attention for awhile.

73

Bill Reed, K4YJI

e-mail wreed.ie57@...

Telephone 770-993-5758
e-FAX 918-512-7881

Please consider the environment before printing this message

On Mon, Feb 10, 2014 at 1:22 PM, <w4uoc@...> wrote:

>
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>
> Interesting reading:
>
> *http://hamgallery.com/qsl/Maritime/li2b.htm
> <http://hamgallery.com/qsl/Maritime/li2b.htm>*
>
>
*http://hamgallery.com/qsl/Maritime/li2b.pdf*<http://hamgallery.com/qsl/Maritime/li2b.pdf>
>
> Actually I am quite sure the receiver was a National HRO-60 receiver not a
> National 173.
>
> Tom Koch - W4UOC
>
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>
>

# 2048. NFARES Meeting At Brandon Hall - Cancelled due to Weather

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2014-02-10 23:29:13 UTC
From: w4uoc@...
Topic: 2048  Message: 2048

Considering that we have been receiving warnings of another severe Winter Weather Event I think it best that we cancel the NFARES meeting scheduled for 7:00 p.m. at the Brandon Hall School. We don't need to take a chance on hazardous driving situations like a week or so ago.

However, instead we will hold our NFARES meeting on the air using the 147.06 repeater. Here is how it will work. We will open that net at 7:00 p.m. as usual, call the roster and will conduct training on the use of RMS Express/ Winmor and Telnet.

If you can, download and install RMS Express on your computer or laptop. We will help you set it up on the air like we have done in the past with Fldigi/Flmsg, etc.

Mike Birmingham and Mike Cohen and I will be set up with Winmor to send emails via HF to each of those in the roster. We will either use your normal Internet email address or your winlink address if you have it.

Then when you receive an email you can respond using telnet to the sender or address an email to one of the others of us that is connected to the RMS/CMS via HF radio.

You should have received a previous email from me with the details on setting up RMS express.

Should be an interesting substitute for our normal meeting.

Till Tomorrow Night !
Stay Safe --- Stay Warm !!

73

Tom Koch - W4UOC

# 2049. Re: [nfarl] Another 1970s rig is back on the air.

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2014-02-11 00:53:17 UTC
From: W4UOC
Topic: 2049  Message: 2049

Don't remember that these were the "Village Radios" I knew when involved in the mid 60's with our Air America friends, but that's possible later. Your much younger Ken ! There is, in the Atlas manual, a couple of add ons for sidetone, break in keying and a noise blanker which mine has. I had one mobile when I was off active duty but in the reserves and it worked great. Great early solid state rig, very small light weight unit with no extra frills.

Tom - W4UOC

Sent from my iPad

> On Feb 10, 2014, at 6:32 PM, "K.Edwards" <kredwards@...> wrote:
>
> Tom-
>
> I don't believe the 210/215 HAD sidetone...so yours is working fine! I recall there were a lot of folks who had add-ons to give it that capability.
>
> You may recall the CIA had a lot of those they distributed in Viet-Nam, as village radios and - ummm- "other" uses...
>
> --Ken WA4SQM
>
>
>> On Mon, Feb 10, 2014 at 4:25 PM, <w4uoc@...> wrote:
>>
>>
>> I spent part of today restoring my Atlas 210-X and got it on 40 SSB and CW and had a lot of fun. I sent
>> CW with my J-38 key but had no audible monitor tones.... Weird.... but fun!. I felt like a railroad telegrapher.
>>
>> This transceiver had not been on the air in several years and was initially not working at all. I pulled the plug in boards out of their sockets, cleaned the edge connectors, switches and pots with Deoxit and it came alive !
>>
>> I'm getting QRP to 100 watts output.
>>
>> I think I have a keyer stored somewhere with tones that will make sending CW much easier!.
>>
>> Tom - W4UOC
>>
>> Type: Amateur HF transceiver
>> Frequency range: 10-80 m
>> Mode: SSB/CW

>> RF Power output: 100 W
>> Sensitivity: N/A
>> Selectivity: N/A
>> Image rejection: N/A
>> Voltage: 13.8 VDC
>> Current drain: RX: 300-500 mA
>> TX: Max 16 A
>> Impedance: 50 ohms, SO-239
>> Dimensions (W*H*D): 250*90*250 mm
>> Weight: ? Kg
>> Manufactured: 197x-19xx (Late seventies)
>> Other:
>>
>>
>

# 2050. Fwd: SANDY SPRINGS WINTER WEATHER PREPARATIONS

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2014-02-11 01:44:58 UTC
From: w4uoc@...
Topic: 2050  Message: 2050
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From: rhanhw@...
To: w4uoc@...
Sent: 2/10/2014 8:33:38 P.M. Eastern Standard Time
Subj: SANDY SPRINGS WINTER WEATHER PREPARATIONS

REMEMBER THE SUGGESTIONS ON OUR RIVERGATE NEIGHBORHOOD WATCH ALERT A COUPLE WEEKS AGO ?

1. STAY HOME
2. STAY OFF THE ROADS
3. HAVE A FULL GAS TANK FOR YOUR CARS AND GENERATORS
4. STAY HOME !!!

WELL WE, AND OUR LOCAL GOVERNMENTS GET ANOTHER CHANCE TO DO IT BETTER THIS TIME.

LAST TIME WE DID NOT LOOSE OUR POWER.... NOT SO SURE ABOUT THIS UPCOMING WEATHER !!!

SANDY SPRINGS WINTER WEATHER PREPARATIONS

A Winter Weather Advisory remains in effect until 7 PM. Tuesday. A Winter Storm Watch remains in effect from Tuesday evening through Thursday morning.

According to the National Weather Service, rain will mix with snow and/or sleet by sunrise Tuesday. As temperatures warm through the day, precipitation will likely change back over to rain before transitioning again back to a mix of rain, sleet and snow Tuesday evening.

The Emergency Operations team has taken needed steps to be ready for the predicted icy weather:

* Sand and salt are at the ready. Crews are watching the skies and road conditions carefully, as pretreatment is not effective when precipitation is primarily rain.
* Both road treatment crews and tree cutting crews are available to handle slick/dangerous roads and any possible trees down due to ice.
* Public Works has pre-staged closure measures at 15 priority locations, known from past weather events to become quickly dangerous. We've contacted the City's senior centers, verifying contacts and their plans to weather the storm. The City is ready to implement welfare/health checks should the conditions warrant.
* We are working with the Red Cross for additional supplies should there be a need to open Hammond Park as a shelter.
* The City will communicate with the public primarily through the

web site (sandyspringsga.gov/winterweather) and social media (facebook.com/SandySpringsGA Twitter/ @SandySpringsGA). Especially if there are any power outages, cell phones and social media will be valuable tools.
* Fulton County Schools has closed for both Tuesday and Wednesday. The City's Municipal Court has canceled for Wednesday and Thursday.
* City Hall will be open during regular business hours on Tuesday. Should weather conditions warrant a change, notification will be issued to City staff and posted on the City's web site.
* As a reminder, the City has an adopted priority list of roadways based on providing public safety and first responders' maximum access to the various parts of the City with the most efficient use of limited resources. Roswell Road, the Medical District, Spalding Drive, Glenridge, Peachtree Dunwoody, Johnson Ferry Road, Abernathy and the path to 285 at Riverside from Fire Station #3 are Priority 1 routes. Priority 2 streets include Long Island, Dunwoody Club, Mt. Vernon, Powers Ferry, Roberts Drive, Glenlake and others; no less important for travel, but not as high a priority for getting first responders around in the early stages of an emergency event. Neighborhood streets are not considered priority roads.
* As always, emergency plans will change to meet the needs of Public Safety. Should any street, regardless of it predetermined priority level, need to be treated in order to affect life-saving measures, it will be done.

Thomas E. Koch - Coordinator Rivergate Homeowners Neighborhood Watch
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# 2051. Tone Squelch turned off for the 147.06 repeater

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2014-02-11 16:19:37 UTC
From: Mike Cohen
Topic: 2051  Message: 2051

The 100Hz Tone Squelch is now OFF for the 147.06 repeater and will remain OFF during this storm watch/warning. This enables radios without tone capability to communicate on the this repeater. You *do not* have to make any changes to your radio if it *does* have tone capability.

73,
Mike - AD4MC

Mike Cohen
(404) 981-8624a

# 2052. NFARES Initial Deployment Frequencies

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2014-02-11 18:07:05 UTC
From: Mike Cohen
Topic: 1860  Message: 2052
Attachments: 1 described; binary payloads are missing from this source WARC

NFARES Team,

Attached is the listing of the NFARES Initial Deployment Frequencies.

Note that it also includes the setup for you to get a text message of
NFARES emergency (and test) announcements.

FYI: CHIRP files for many radios that include the NFARES Initial Deployment
Frequencies are stored at:
https://groups.yahoo.com/neo/groups/nfares/files/CHIRP/

Stay safe and warm....and keep ALL of your rechargeable devices fully
charged in preparation for the ice storm.

73,
Mike - AD4MC

Mike Cohen
(404) 981-8624

# 2053. Roster for 2014-02-11 Net

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2014-02-12 14:23:21 UTC
From: <mwbirmingham@...>
Topic: 2053  Message: 2053

February 11, 2014

Net held on 147.060 Repeater in leu of meeting due to weather

W4UOC TOM NCS
KK4USI GERRY
AK4EX STU
KK4KKF STUART
K4LJG MIKE
N4SEC JIM
KG5WU WAYNE
AD4MC MIKE
NZ4CW CRAIG
KF4UPO MIKE
KK4JYO FRED
W2ASL BILL
AK4TL CLYDE
KK4WPK PARKER
N4BTA BRET
KK4PCR GRANT

MEETING STARTED AT 1900 AND ENDED AT 2116 EST
MEETING TOPIC: RMS Express setup, Telnet and Winmor. Emails were passed using HF as well as Internet.

# 2054. Antenna Ice Build Up

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2014-02-12 15:16:13 UTC
From: Mike Cohen
Topic: 2054  Message: 2054

Starting to get ice build up on my G5RV in Sandy Springs. If the same is true for trees and power lines, this could get real interesting real fast.

73,
Mike - AD4MC

Mike Cohen
(404) 981-8624

# 2055. Re: [nfarl] Antenna Ice Build Up

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2014-02-12 15:21:30 UTC
From: Aaron Melton
Topic: 2054  Message: 2055

Only a minor amount of ice on my (DIY) antenna here in Woodstock. I've decided I'll start worrying about it when I see the weight on the wire lifts the counterweights off the ground.

On the other hand, I suppose if you've got enough wattage you could work a few stations and melt it off. :D

de KK4LOV

On 02/12/2014 10:16 AM, Mike Cohen wrote:
> Starting to get ice build up on my G5RV in Sandy Springs. If the same
> is true for trees and power lines, this could get real interesting real
> fast.
>
> 73,
> Mike - AD4MC
>
> Mike Cohen
> (404) 981-8624

# 2056. Fwd: Neighborhood Watch - Winter Storm Update

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2014-02-12 15:32:16 UTC
From: W4UOC
Topic: 2056  Message: 2056
Attachments: 1 described; binary payloads are missing from this source WARC

Sent from my iPad

Begin forwarded message:

> From: rhanhw@...
> Date: February 12, 2014 at 10:01:49 AM EST
> To: rhanhw@...
> Subject: Neighborhood Watch - Winter Storm Update
>
> Winter Storm Update
> 8:15 a.m.
>
> The incoming weather system is causing issues throughout the City.
>
> Northridge Rd between Roswell and Dunwoody Place is closed due to ice.
> Fire crews are responding to reports of three blown transformers in the area of 8725 Roswell Road. Outages are reported near Roswell and I-285.
> A tree fell on a house on Spruill Springs. The family was relocated by Fire Rescue to family members living nearby.
> We also have trees down on Kayron Drive and 2740 Spalding Drive.
> Ice is reported on Johnson Ferry at Riverside.
>
> Although crews have treated Priority One roads, NONE of our roads should be considered safe for travel. Freezing rain, sleet and snow continue to fall, and meteorologists all agree that the precipitation will continue to fall throughout the day with temperatures not rising above freezing.
>
> Additional trees down and power outages are expected to occur throughout the day.
>
> For emergencies, please call 9-1-1.
> To report hazardous conditions, residents can call the Call Center at 770.730.5600 or let us know via Facebook at facebook.com/SandySpringsGA
>
> The City's winter weather page is
> http://sandyspringsga.gov/WinterWeather
>
> Please visit us online at www.sandyspringsga.gov, or call the Citizen Response Center at 770-730-5600.
>
>
> Thomas E. Koch - Coordinator Rivergate Homeowners Neighborhood Watch
> 8170 Habersham Waters Road
> Sandy Springs, GA 30350
> 404-314-6109 tekoch@...

>
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# 2057. ShortKeys Lite

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2014-02-13 01:07:10 UTC
From: Mike Cohen
Topic: 2057  Message: 2057

NFARES Team,

A few meetings ago, Fred, KK4JYO, suggested a program called ShortKeys Lite that he found to be very useful. Well, I just want to add that I have become quite dependent on this handy utility. It will enter typed words, phrases or any kind of text that has been pre-saved as a macro. The biggest feature, IMHO, is that it can be used to enter the macros into *any*program that you are currently using on your PC.

Here's a warning, though. I downloaded the program from the Internet and got a version with nasty malware attached and it was a challenge to get rid of it. Fred loaned me a zip drive with a "clean" version that works slick with no problems. I have it loaded on both my PC and netbook. If you ask him nicely, he may bring that zip drive to our next meeting so that you can install it on you laptop or copy it to your own zip drive to bring home.

So...Thanks again, Fred, for the good advice to use this handy macro program.

73,
Mike - AD4MC

Mike Cohen
(404) 981-8624

ps. I used ShortKeys to add my signature of...

"73,
Mike - AD4MC

Mike Cohen
(404) 981-8624"

Yes, I know that the signature can be added from my e-mail software, but then I have to delete it when I am writing a non-ham related e-mail. Much quicker and easier to use ShortKeys for all the signature types that I use for e-mails.

# 2058. North Fulton ARES Net, 2/16/2014, 8:30 pm

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2014-02-15 20:30:55 UTC
From: nfares@yahoogroups.com
Topic: 2058  Message: 2058

Reminder from: nfares Yahoo Group
http://groups.yahoo.com/group/nfares/cal

North Fulton ARES Net
Sunday February 16, 2014
8:30 pm - 9:00 pm
(GMT+00:00)
Location: 147.060( ) NFARL repeater (PL 100)

Notes:
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# 2059. More "GREAT" stuff from Buck and it's free ...

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2014-02-17 00:57:48 UTC
From: W4UOC
Topic: 2059  Message: 2059

> Hey Guys...
>
> Sent you the link to Buck's on line "FREE" antenna manual.
> A wealth of good info with built in calculators for various antenna
> projects...
>
> In case you missed the link here it is ...
>
> http://www.packetradio.com/antennas.htm
>
> Hope that you enjoy it.
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# 2060. For Sale - 9000es Generator - New In Box - $200+ savings

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2014-02-17 23:55:34 UTC
From: KX4Y
Topic: 2060  Message: 2060

Due to a series of miscommunications we ended up with an extra generator during the ice storm last week. So, one of them must go.

For Sale:

Power Horse 9000es Generator (from Northern Tool + Equipment)

Rated for 7,250 watts (9,000 watts start/surge)

Good Customer Reviews

OHV Engine

Electric Start (recoil start capable if battery down)

Handles/Wheels

Receipt, Battery and Quart of Oil (shipped dry) included

Generator and Battery still sealed in box with full warranty

Paid $967, asking $750.

Email or call me with any questions.

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ogle_PPC
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oogle_PPC&cm_cat=Dynamic%20Search%20Ads%20Test&cm_pla=generic&cm_ite=_cat:ge
nerators/portable%20generators&mkwid=ssqZflBIu&pcrid=30931585631&mt=b>
&cm_cat=Dynamic%20Search%20Ads%20Test&cm_pla=generic&cm_ite=_cat:generators/
portable%20generators&mkwid=ssqZflBIu&pcrid=30931585631&mt=b

Thanks,

Randy

KX4Y

Kx4y@... <mailto:Kx4y@...>

M: 770-364-5998

# 2061. 9000es Generator is SOLD. Thanks

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2014-02-18 13:58:52 UTC
From: KX4Y
Topic: 2061  Message: 2061

GENERATOR IS SOLD. Thanks!

Thanks,

Randy

KX4Y

# 2062. QST, QST, QST.....NFARL Spring Ham Cram announcement

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2014-02-20 02:50:42 UTC
From: Bill Weathers
Topic: 2062  Message: 2062
Attachments: 1 described; binary payloads are missing from this source WARC

*/NFARL Announces Technician Ham Cram/**//*

Do you know a friend, neighbor or relative who is interested in Ham radio but needs a little extra help to make the leap?Well, here is your opportunity to introduce them to a lifetime of learning, new friends and just plain great fun!

NFARL, in cooperation with Brandon Hall School in Sandy Springs, will conduct a Technician HamCram on Saturday, April 26th.The cost is only $25 which includes a full day of classroom instruction, lunch, snacks, drinks and the FCC license examination.Make special note, anyone passing the test will be offered a complimentary one-year NFARL membership.See additional information on the class and registration at NFARL Ham Cram <http://nfarl.org/hamCram/hamCram_overview.html> link; the cutoff for enrollment is March 30.

A team of NFARL volunteer instructors will lead the students through a review of all that's required to pass the FCC license exam.Each student will be provided with a free set of study material plus recommendations for additional low-cost self-study guides.

You know how much you enjoy Ham radio.How about encouraging someone you know to take advantage of this great opportunity to join the hobby!

73,

Bill K4WSW <http://www.qrz.com/db/K4WSW>
K4WSW@... <mailto:K4WSW@...>
678.296.6919

# 2063. North Fulton ARES Net, 2/23/2014, 8:30 pm

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2014-02-22 20:30:56 UTC
From: nfares@yahoogroups.com
Topic: 2063  Message: 2063

Reminder from: nfares Yahoo Group
http://groups.yahoo.com/group/nfares/cal

North Fulton ARES Net
Sunday February 23, 2014
8:30 pm - 9:00 pm
(GMT+00:00)
Location: 147.060( ) NFARL repeater (PL 100)

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# 2064. Our recent ice storm

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2014-02-24 13:18:44 UTC
From: Mike Cohen
Topic: 2064  Message: 2064

A friend of mine from Maine just sent me this video. I think that you will find that it is worth watching.

http://www.wimp.com/snowdramatization/

The people in Maine have a different viewpoint of winter storms.

73,
Mike - AD4MC

Mike Cohen
(404) 981-8624

# 2065. RE: [nfarl] Our recent ice storm

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2014-02-25 00:02:30 UTC
From: Bryan L. Gay
Topic: 2064  Message: 2065

Tell your buddy to come on down here next time and show us how rubber tires act on ice-covered roads, and how power lines don’t break when rain freezes on limbs and falls on them.

If we were at 20 degrees, ground temp was well below 32 degrees, and we had a foot of snow, I wouldn’t have an issue. It’s the stuff that happens when we freeze/thaw/refreeze that is the issue…

I bought a set of tire chains for my car, and “I” didn’t have an issue getting around myself, but had issues with traffic blocking the roads.

Next time I hear it’s going to snow during the day, I’m staying home. Mother Nature must STILL be laughing at us all trying to head home at noon that day!

--

Bryan L. Gay

KR4MM

Amateur Radio Operator

John's Creek, GA

EchoLink Node: 14927

EM74vb

From: nfarl@yahoogroups.com [mailto:nfarl@yahoogroups.com] On Behalf Of Mike Cohen
Sent: Monday, February 24, 2014 8:19 AM
To: NFARL; NFARES
Subject: [nfarl] Our recent ice storm

A friend of mine from Maine just sent me this video. I think that you will find that it is worth watching.

<http://www.wimp.com/snowdramatization/> http://www.wimp.com/snowdramatization/

The people in Maine have a different viewpoint of winter storms.

73,

Mike - AD4MC

Mike Cohen

(404) 981-8624

# 2066. North Fulton ARES Net, 3/2/2014, 8:30 pm

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2014-03-01 20:30:55 UTC
From: nfares@yahoogroups.com
Topic: 2066  Message: 2066

Reminder from: nfares Yahoo Group
http://groups.yahoo.com/group/nfares/cal

North Fulton ARES Net
Sunday March 2, 2014
8:30 pm - 9:00 pm
(GMT+00:00)
Location: 147.060( ) NFARL repeater (PL 100)

Notes:
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# 2067. NFARES 2-meter net, Sunday, March 2, 2014

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2014-03-03 02:04:03 UTC
From: Mike Cohen
Topic: 2067  Message: 2067

We had 12 check-ins on the NFARES 2-meter net, Sunday, March 2, 2014

AK4NA (ANCS) – Garry, Roswell, BP

KF4UPO – Mike, Norcross, EL

KK4USI – Gerry, Alpharetta, BP

KK4KKF – Stu, Cumming

N4SEC – Jim, Alpharetta, BP

K4LJG – Mike, E. Cobb

W2ASL – Bill, Alpharetta, BP

AK4EX – Stuart, Detroit, MI, EL

KK4JYO – Fred, Roswell, BP

W4QO – Jim, Roswell, BP

KK4VHZ – Tim, Roswell, BP

AD4MC (NCS) - Mike, Sandy Springs, BP

BP = Battery Power

EL = EchoLink

Comments:

W4QO;

*Tech Net Monday at* *8:30 PM on the 145.47*repeater
and others of the NFARL system. Also, don't forget the CHAT ROOM
which can be reached at *nfarl.dodropin.org <http://nfarl.dodropin.org/> * The
chat room is much
fun and where folks search and post links. Can't reach the repeaters?
Then fire up your*Echolink*and connect to node *355800 *to join in.

We welcome all NFARES members to be NCS at least once per year. The Net
Script can be found at nfares.org.

The next scheduled net will be Sunday, Mach 9th This net closed at 8:46 PM.

73,

Mike - AD4MC

404-981-8624

# 2068. NFARES Meeting March 12, 2014 - Winmor/Winlink Demonstration & Training

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2014-03-07 04:29:37 UTC
From: W4UOC
Topic: 2068  Message: 2068

> In preparation for the March 12th NFARES meeting, that will be held at the Brandon Hall School, 1701 Brandon Hall Drive, starting at 7:00 p.m. I would suggest you download RMS express and be prepared for the training at the meeting.
>
> If you have a lap top we will help you set up the parameters to make sure you have them correct.
>
> Mike Cohen AD4MC will demonstrate a live HF connection using Winmor and send each of you a email via a remote amateur RMS (Remote Messaging Station) directly from our meeting room. Mike will be using a remote Internet connection to operate his home station, which in itself will be interesting.
>
> The download and set up guidelines have been provided by Wayne Chapman KG5WU.
>
> Start reading here http://www.winlink.org/GetStarted
>
> Setting up a winlink account is very easy, but it must be done via radio or telnet. Cannot be done via web browser.
>
> All you have to do is connect via radio or telnet to one of the CMS servers. They suggest sending yourself an email (say to gmail.com or whatever). That establishes your account (and your callsign@... email address) and starts the 400 day countdown. (Every time to connect restarts the 400 day clock.)
>
> So the procedure would be to download / install RMS Express. Software is here:
> http://www.winlink.org/ClientSoftware Scroll down for "RMS Express" then click the "Winlink FTP site" link. From there, select "User Programs" then download the zip for RMS_Express_setup_(version number).zip. They only put one version at a time on the FTP server, so get whatever is there. After that, the software checks on startup to see if there is a later version which is can download / install itself.
>
> Winmor is embedded in the RMS Express software. By selecting one of the Winmor options, the virtual Winmor TNC is invoked. You'll get a nag screen asking for a donation but it is not required to use the software.
>
> See ya at the meetingn !!!
>
> Tom Koch - W4UOC
> Emergency Coordinator - North Fulton Amateur Radio Emergency Service

# 2069. NFARES Meeting March 11, 2014 - Winmor/Winlink Demonstration & Training

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2014-03-07 20:32:22 UTC
From: w4uoc@...
Topic: 2069  Message: 2069

Can you believe it !

I actually made a mistake....

NFARES meeting is March 11th not the 12th !!!

Tom - W4UOC

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See ya at the meetingn !!!

Tom Koch - W4UOC
Emergency Coordinator - North Fulton Amateur Radio Emergency Service

# 2070. North Fulton ARES Net, 3/9/2014, 8:30 pm

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2014-03-08 21:30:57 UTC
From: nfares@yahoogroups.com
Topic: 2070  Message: 2070

Reminder from: nfares Yahoo Group
http://groups.yahoo.com/group/nfares/cal

North Fulton ARES Net
Sunday March 9, 2014
8:30 pm - 9:00 pm
(GMT+00:00)
Location: 147.060( ) NFARL repeater (PL 100)

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# 2071. NFARES March 11th Meeting - Dinner Menu

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2014-03-09 14:34:44 UTC
From: W4UOC
Topic: 2071  Message: 2071

Here is the meal on he dining hall calendar forTuesday night. Still on 5:30pm start time.

Pasta Primavera with Marinara Sauce
Meatballs
Steamed California Blend Vegetables

Chocolate Cake
Send an email to James Vaught KK4IZN or reply to this email if you intend to join us for dinner before the meeting so we can get a head count for our group.

Probably the best $8.00 dinner you will ever get.

I'll be there

Tom - W4UOC

Sent from my iPad

# 2072. North Fulton ARES Meeting, 3/11/2014, 7:00 pm

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2014-03-09 19:01:06 UTC
From: nfares@yahoogroups.com
Topic: 2072  Message: 2072

Reminder from: nfares Yahoo Group
http://groups.yahoo.com/group/nfares/cal

North Fulton ARES Meeting
Tuesday March 11, 2014
7:00 pm - 9:00 pm
(GMT+00:00)
Location: Brandon Hall School - 1701 Brandon Hall Drive Sandy Springs, GA 30350

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# 2073. North Fulton ARES Net, 3/16/2014, 8:30 pm

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2014-03-15 20:31:00 UTC
From: nfares@yahoogroups.com
Topic: 2073  Message: 2073

Reminder from: nfares Yahoo Group
http://groups.yahoo.com/group/nfares/cal

North Fulton ARES Net
Sunday March 16, 2014
8:30 pm - 9:00 pm
(GMT+00:00)
Location: 147.060( ) NFARL repeater (PL 100)

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# 2074. Skywarn - Storm Spotter Training Class

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2014-03-16 21:13:45 UTC
From: <elliott3070@...>
Topic: 2074  Message: 2074
Attachments: 1 described; binary payloads are missing from this source WARC

Dekalb County Emergency Management Agency
SKYWARN® STORM SPOTTER TRAINING CLASS
March 25, 2014 from 7:00 to 9:30 PM
The Dekalb County Emergency Management Agency in conjunction with the National Weather Service have come together to offer the SKYWARN® storm spotter class. This Class is free of charge to all persons. SKYWARN® storm spotters are a valuable part of the first line of defense in the threat of severe weather. Storm spotters are trained to identify and report weather conditions during severe weather. This effort provides real on the ground data that forecasters can use to issue watches and warnings for local communities faster, and more efficiently. Persons encouraged to attend this training include amateur radio operators, law enforcement, fire department personnel, first responders, emergency dispatchers, emergency medical workers, emergency management personnel, public utility workers, private citizens, individuals affiliated with hospitals, teachers and administrators for schools and colleges, church groups and volunteer organizations, nursing home and elderly care administrators and staff. This is the rescheduled class from 2013 that was cancelled due to the federal furlough.

Registration Contact:

DENA GLOVER
Dekalb County Emergency Management Agency
Email: drglover@dekalbcountyga.gov mailto:drglover@dekalbcountyga.gov
Phone: 770-270-0413

The class will be held at:
DeKalb County Fire Rescue Headquarters
1950 West Exchange Place
Tucker, Georgia 30084

# 2075. QST, QST, QST.....NFARL Spring Ham Cram announcement

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2014-03-18 14:09:26 UTC
From: Bill Weathers
Topic: 2062  Message: 2075
Attachments: 1 described; binary payloads are missing from this source WARC

> */NFARL Announces Technician Ham Cram/**//*
>
> Do you know a friend, neighbor or relative who
> is interested in Ham radio but needs a little
> extra help to make the leap?Well, here is your
> opportunity to introduce them to a lifetime of
> learning, new friends and just plain great fun!
>
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>
> NFARL, in cooperation with Brandon Hall School
> in Sandy Springs, will conduct a Technician
> HamCram on Saturday, April 26th.The cost is only
> $25 which includes a full day of classroom
> instruction, lunch, snacks, drinks and the FCC
> license examination.Make special note, anyone
> passing the test will be offered a complimentary
> one-year NFARL membership.See additional
> information on the class and registration at
> NFARL Ham Cram
> <http://nfarl.org/hamCram/hamCram_overview.html>
> link; the cutoff for enrollment is March 30.
>
>
> A team of NFARL volunteer instructors will lead
> the students through a review of all that's
> required to pass the FCC license exam.Each
> student will be provided with a free set of
> study material plus recommendations for
> additional low-cost self-study guides.
>
> You know how much you enjoy Ham radio.How about
> encouraging someone you know to take advantage
> of this great opportunity to join the hobby!
>
> 73,
>
> Bill K4WSW <http://www.qrz.com/db/K4WSW>
> K4WSW@... <mailto:K4WSW@...>
> 678.296.6919
>

>

# 2076. Wonderful video of Colossus, the world's more or less first electronic digital computer, in operation!

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2014-03-21 14:52:20 UTC
From: W4UOC
Topic: 2076  Message: 2076

> For those not familiar with WWII decryption history, Colossus was built to decode the German High Command codes, a cut or three above the Enigma used for ordinary military comx, which had already been decoded with a mechanical computer called the Bombe. Eisenhower said that the work of the British decoders shorted the war by 2 to 3 years! The NMoC has a working Colossus, and this is a demo of it in context.
>
> On 5 February 2014, The (British) National Museum of Computing celebrated the 70th anniversary of the world's first electronic computer.
>
> Here is the 51-minute video of the event and the re-enactment performed in front of Colossus veterans, their relatives and guests:
>
> <http://youtu.be/QcaHpvznC7g>
>
> We hope you enjoy it.
>
> Dr Stephen Fleming
> Palam Communications
> 11 Byfields Road Kingsclere
> Newbury RG20 5TG UK
>
> t +44 (0)1635 299116
> e stephen.fleming@palam.co.uk
>
> ***
>
> And from me, Scott, in the USA:
>
> Note that you get to see several racks full of RCA AR-88 receivers, as well as Colossus, all tubes all the time.
>
> BTW, they need more 807s. If you have some to spare, email me. What I do is receive them, test them in the usual Hickok way, and measure the H-K leakage (50VDC, 5 uA, which works out to 10 Megs), a special Colossus requirement. About half of them pass that second test, and those that don't I can send back to you if you like. When I get a bunch (about 20) together, I send them to the UK. I have sent them 35 so far. I think the machine uses 50 of them, so more would be welcome.
>
> Keep 'em glowing!
>
> Scott Robinson
> _____
> BoatAnchors mailing list
> BoatAnchors@...

> https://minime.theporch.com/mailman/listinfo/boatanchors

# 2077. North Fulton ARES Net, 3/23/2014, 8:30 pm

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2014-03-22 20:31:00 UTC
From: nfares@yahoogroups.com
Topic: 2077  Message: 2077

Reminder from: nfares Yahoo Group
http://groups.yahoo.com/group/nfares/cal

North Fulton ARES Net
Sunday March 23, 2014
8:30 pm - 9:00 pm
(GMT+00:00)
Location: 147.060( ) NFARL repeater (PL 100)

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# 2078. NFARES Winlink Test Messages

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2014-03-23 14:55:27 UTC
From: W4UOC
Topic: 2078  Message: 2078

I am in the process of setting up radio links to send and receive Telnet, HF Winmor or VHF Packet messages as a practice tool for our NFARE RMS Express training.

If you have any of these modes set up utilizing RMS Express check for some messages addressed for you that I entered into the Winlink system utilizing VHF packet radio on Saturday.

73

Tom Koch - W4UOC
EC - North Fulton ARES

Sent from my iPad

# 2079. Fwd: [nfarl] Roswell 147.06 Dragons Slayed

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2014-03-23 19:00:48 UTC
From: W4UOC
Topic: 2079  Message: 2079

Check out your connection to 147.06 repeater tonight and let me know if it's working better for you at your location.

Tom - W4UOC

Sent from my iPad

Begin forwarded message:

> From: Mike/W5JR <w5jr.lists@...>
> Thanks to the fine "summiting" efforts of Mike/KR4TG and Mack/W4AX, and to the equally extraordinaire antenna / feedline sweeping, TDR analysis work by Bob/KI4SBL and Chuck/AE4CW, the antenna dragons guarding the Roswell 147.06 repeater were eradicated. After confirming the antenna itself was still reading as it did when installed, attention turned to the interconnecting cables to the main feedline. Once the uncalled for H2O was removed from a connection and the antenna to feedline connection simplified, we were back in business.
>
> The 2m repeater is back to it's expected operational coverage. Just in time for the spring weather events.
>
> Unfortunately, the bandpass cavity added to the 443.150 repeater receiver did not significantly alter the desense we are experiencing when one of our site host's transmitters keys up.
>
> Next on the list is to attack the feedline for the Sweat 444.475 repeater in early April, weather permitting.
>
> Thanks Mike DP, Bob, Chuck and Mack. Lunch at the nearby Swallow at the Hollow was enjoyed by all.
>
> tnx
> Mike / W5JR
> NFARL Repeater Ops
> Alpharetta GA
>
>

# 2080. North Fulton ARES March 23, 2014

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2014-03-24 02:08:59 UTC
From: <mwbirmingham@...>
Topic: 2080  Message: 2080

March 23, 2014 NFARL Net

K4LJG MIKE EAST COBB COMM NCS
AD4MC MIKE SANDY SPRINGS BATT ANCS
KK4IZN JAMES BRANDON HALL COMM
W2ASL BILL ALPHARETTA BATT
N4SEC JIM ALPHARETTA BATT
KG5WU WAYNE SANDY SPRINGS BATT
KK4KKF STU CUMMING COMM
KK4USI GERRY ALPHARETTA BATT
AK4EX STUART SANDY SPRINGS COMM
KK4VHZ TIM ROSWELL BATT
KK4JYO FRED ROSWELL BATT
KJ4CMY DAVID LILBURN COMM GWINNETT ARES
KK4PCR GRANT SANDY SPRINGS COMM
AK4TL CLYDE MOBILE EL
KK4QBR BOBBY EVENWOOD COMM

NET CLOSED AT 8:58 LOCAL TIME
NEXT NET MARCH 30, 2014

# 2081. Digital Intermodulation is Not Your Friend.pdf

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2014-03-24 12:35:56 UTC
From: W4UOC
Topic: 2081  Message: 2081
Attachments: 1 described; binary payloads are missing from this source WARC

I think you find this interesting if you use digital modes on HF.

Tom - W4UOC

# 2082. North Fulton ARES Net, 3/30/2014, 8:30 pm

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2014-03-29 20:30:59 UTC
From: nfares@yahoogroups.com
Topic: 2082  Message: 2082

Reminder from: nfares Yahoo Group
http://groups.yahoo.com/group/nfares/cal

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# 2083. Skywarn

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2014-03-31 01:54:30 UTC
From: <stark148@...>
Topic: 9  Message: 2083

On 03-25-14 I attended a Skywarn class at the Dekalb County Fire Department HQs. It was a very informative 2 hour class that deals specifically with citizen storm spotters. The powerpoint and lecture was taken largely from the storm spotters guide that I am listing below as a link. I thought I would share some of the information.

The gist of the class was that even with their advanced systems and RADARs the NWS (National Weather Service) still depends on people for on the ground reports. They listen to, read, and sort ALL reports to help with forecasting, issuing warnings for severe weather that their systems may not be able to detect at all or as well as boots on the ground.

The meteorologist that taught the class impressed on us that citizen reports are very important to forecasting

They want to have reports of any tornadoes, funnel clouds, wall clouds, flash flooding, storm damage, winds over 40 mph, and any injuries or fatalities.

Some of the methods to report are:

By phone at 1-866-763-4466

by web at: http://espoter.weather.gov http://espoter.weather.gov

http://www.spotternetwork.org/ http://www.spotternetwork.org/

http://www.srh.noaa.gov/ffc/?n=strmsubm1 http://www.srh.noaa.gov/ffc/?n=strmsubm1

Find Skywarn amateur radio frequencies (where you can submit a report over the air) at: https://georgiaskywarn.com https://georgiaskywarn.com

Weather Spotters Field Guide
http://www.nws.noaa.gov/om/brochures/SGJune6-11.pdf
http://www.nws.noaa.gov/om/brochures/SGJune6-11.pdf

Cloud Chart
http://www.nws.noaa.gov/om/brochures/cloudchart.pdf
http://www.nws.noaa.gov/om/brochures/cloudchart.pdf

Georgia NWS page
http://www.srh.noaa.gov/ffc/ http://www.srh.noaa.gov/ffc/

List of upcoming Skywarn classes
http://www.srh.noaa.gov/ffc/skywarn/ http://www.srh.noaa.gov/ffc/skywarn/

Hope you find this information useful.
Mike Stark
N4MSS

# 2084. Re: [nfares] Skywarn

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2014-03-31 02:01:15 UTC
From: Mike Cohen
Topic: 9  Message: 2084

Very interesting, Mike. Thanks for sharing.

73,
Mike - AD4MC

Mike Cohen
(404) 981-8624

On Sun, Mar 30, 2014 at 9:54 PM, <stark148@...> wrote:

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>
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> Department HQs. It was a very informative 2 hour class that deals
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> http://www.spotternetwork.org/
>
> http://www.srh.noaa.gov/ffc/?n=strmsubm1
>
> Find Skywarn amateur radio frequencies (where you can submit a report over
> the air) at:
>
> https://georgiaskywarn.com
>

> Weather Spotters Field Guide
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> http://www.nws.noaa.gov/om/brochures/SGJune6-11.pdf
>
> Cloud Chart
>
> http://www.nws.noaa.gov/om/brochures/cloudchart.pdf
>
> Georgia NWS page
>
> http://www.srh.noaa.gov/ffc/
>
> List of upcoming Skywarn classes
>
> http://www.srh.noaa.gov/ffc/skywarn/
>
> Hope you find this information useful.
>
> Mike Stark
>
> N4MSS
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>
>

# 2085. Re: [nfares] Skywarn

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2014-04-01 14:48:05 UTC
From: jbv54@...
Topic: 9  Message: 2085

Wow. What great information . I will use it in my middle school science classes . Do you have to take the training to be a spotter ? Thanks. For this great resource Mike !
James Vaught KK4IZN Brandon Hall School

Sent from my iPhone

On Mar 30, 2014, at 10:01 PM, Mike Cohen <ad4mc.mike@gmail.com> wrote:

> Very interesting, Mike. Thanks for sharing.
>
> 73,
> Mike - AD4MC
>
> Mike Cohen
> (404) 981-8624
>
>
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>> Weather Spotters Field Guide
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>> http://www.nws.noaa.gov/om/brochures/SGJune6-11.pdf
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>> Cloud Chart
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>> http://www.nws.noaa.gov/om/brochures/cloudchart.pdf
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>> Georgia NWS page
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>> http://www.srh.noaa.gov/ffc/
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>> List of upcoming Skywarn classes
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>> http://www.srh.noaa.gov/ffc/skywarn/
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>>
>> Hope you find this information useful.
>>
>> Mike Stark
>>
>> N4MSS
>>
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>

# 2086. //WL2K R/ North Fulton ARES Net 3/30/2014

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2014-04-02 00:49:22 UTC
From: Hatherley Bill
Topic: 2086  Message: 2086

Prepared by: Bill Hatherley W2ASL wasl.bill@...
Title: North Fulton ARES Net
Date: Sunday March 30, 2014
Time of net: 8:30 pm - 9:05 pm (GMT+00:00)
Location: 147.060( ) NFARL repeater (PL 100)

W2ASL BILL ALPHARETTA BATT NCS
KK4PCR GRANT SANDY SPRINGS COMM ANCS
KE4QCM TOM ST MTN DEKALB ARES COMM
K4LJG MIKE FL COMM
W4UOC TOM SANDY SPRINGS COMM
KK4USI GERRY ALPHARETTA BATT
N4SEC JIM ALPHARETTA BATT
KK4VHZ TIM ROSWELL BATT
KK4YDQ MIKE ALPHARETTA COMM
KK4KKF STU CUMMING COMM
K4UPO MIKE NORCROSS COMM
KG5WU WAYNE SANDY SPRINGS BATT
KK4JYO FRED ROSWELL BATT
AD4MC MIKE SANDY SPRINGS BATT
KT4LS LEE PEACHTREE CORNERS GWINNETT COMM
N4MSS MIKE DEKALB COMM
KK4QBR BOBBY EVENWOOD COMM
KK4ODA MARCUS COMM

NET CLOSED AT 9:05 PM LOCAL TIME
NEXT NET APRIL 6, 20

# 2087. For Sale Yaesu FT-30 bolt on antenna tuner for Yaesu 897D

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2014-04-05 18:40:09 UTC
From: w4uoc@...
Topic: 2087  Message: 2087

For Sale Yaesu FC-30 automatic antenna tuner for Yaesu 897D transceiver.
$125.00.

Tom Koch - W4UOC
404-314-6109
_w4uoc@..._ (mailto:w4uoc@...)

# 2088. North Fulton ARES Net, 4/6/2014, 8:30 pm

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2014-04-05 20:31:11 UTC
From: nfares@yahoogroups.com
Topic: 2088  Message: 2088

Reminder from: nfares Yahoo Group
http://groups.yahoo.com/group/nfares/cal

North Fulton ARES Net
Sunday April 6, 2014
8:30 pm - 9:00 pm
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# 2089. NFARES MEETING April 8, 2014 - Program - RMS Express using VHF & Packet Radio

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2014-04-06 16:43:43 UTC
From: w4uoc@...
Topic: 2089  Message: 2089

During the past two or three NFARES meetings we have concentrated on demonstrations and training on the various aspects and tools available utilizing RMS Express software to send text messages via the internet, HF radio..

Most of our NFARES members are now familiar with using Telnet (connection to the Internet) and the Winlink text messaging procedures and protocols.
.
We expanded the familiarization to include using Winmor to provide a means to send Winlink messages via HF radio to a distant Remote Messaging Station (RMS) HF station and then it is relayed to the Internet by the distant station.

However Winmor does require a HF capable radio and an interface such as a SignaLink or a similar device.

Another mode that is equally effective uses Packet Radio protocol and we plan to demonstrate that mode, live at our Tuesday NFARES meeting on April 8th. We will present a brief overview of how Packet radio works and an explanation of how you can cover great distances by using VHF digipeaters.

We will demonstrate Winlink Packet by connecting to a local VHF digipeater (LAW) and send our messages to a distant RMS destination station WB4QDX-10. The equipment we will use includes a VHF transceiver, which could be a handheld radio, a Terminal Node Cotroller (TNC) connected between the computer and the radio and of course a VHF antenna.

But can this work without a hardware TNC between the computer and the radio?

During the second part of the program we will show you how to set up a virtual packet TNC on your laptop computer and interfacing it with RMS Express/Packet mode for those that do not have a TNC. TNCs are cheap and I bought one at the last NFARL meeting for $1.00.

I would suggest that you follow Wayne Chapman's KG5WU recommendations to how to set up a virtual TNC that will allow you to send and receive Packet Winlink messages utilizing a SignaLink, or similar terminal device. down load the following software prior to the meeting and bring your laptop computer to the meeting.

Objective: Connect to RMS Express using a sound card device in place of a TNC.

Solution: AGW Express Interface

http://w2ygsoftware.com/Home/AGWE

Click Download then under Application, click "AGW Express Interface".

It's about an 8MB Windows EXE file. It will install all of the necessary software.

Under Documentation, there are guides for Windows XP, Vista, 7 and 8.

There are also some very good videos.

73 de Wayne / KG5WU

I'll look forward seeing you Tuesday evening (7:00 p.m. at the Brandon Hall School
1701 Brandon Hall Drive, Sandy Springs, GA 30350

Tom Koch - W4UOC
EC - NORTH FULTON ARES

# 2090. North Fulton ARES Meeting, 4/8/2014, 7:00 pm

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2014-04-06 19:01:09 UTC
From: nfares@yahoogroups.com
Topic: 2090  Message: 2090

Reminder from: nfares Yahoo Group
http://groups.yahoo.com/group/nfares/cal

North Fulton ARES Meeting
Tuesday April 8, 2014
7:00 pm - 9:00 pm
(GMT+00:00)
Location: Brandon Hall School - 1701 Brandon Hall Drive Sandy Springs, GA 30350

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# 2091. NFARES Sunday Night Net for 2014-04-06

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2014-04-07 11:07:30 UTC
From: <wcchapman@...>
Topic: 2091  Message: 2091

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NFARES Sunday Night Net
(16 participants) 2014-04-06 30 mins

KG5WU (NCS) - Wayne Chapman
AD4MC (ANCS) - Mike Cohen
AK4EX - Stuart Williams
AK4NA - Garry Brass
AK4TL - Clyde McClain
K4LJG - Mike Birmingham
KJ4CQJ - Elliott Fried
KK4IZN - James Vaught
KK4JYO - Fred Ackley
KK4KKF - Stu Mitchell
KK4USI - Gerry Werber
KR4TG - Mike Del Pozzo
N4SEC - Jim Paine
W2ASL - Bill Hatherley
W4QO - Jim Stafford
W4UOC - Tom Koch
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# 2092. New file uploaded to nfares

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2014-04-07 22:34:13 UTC
From: nfares@yahoogroups.com
Topic: 201  Message: 2092

Hello,

This email message is a notification to let you know that
a file has been uploaded to the Files area of the nfares
group.

File : /CHIRP/CHIRP FT-897US MSA 2014-04-07.img
Uploaded by : mike_ad4mc <ad4mc.mike@...>
Description :

You can access this file at the URL:
https://groups.yahoo.com/group/nfares/files/CHIRP/CHIRP%20FT-897US%20MSA%202014-04-07.img

To learn more about file sharing for your group, please visit:
https://help.yahoo.com/kb/index?page=content&y=PROD_GRPS&locale=en_US&id=SLN15398

Regards,

mike_ad4mc <ad4mc.mike@...>

# 2093. CHIRP File for FT-857 & FT-897

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2014-04-07 22:36:23 UTC
From: Mike Cohen
Topic: 2093  Message: 2093
Attachments: 1 described; binary payloads are missing from this source WARC

Attached is a CHIRP file that we created today for the Mill Springs Academy FT-897. It will work for the FT-857 too. All of the SET frequencies (and many more) are included. Note that CHIRP has BOTH an FT-857/897 and an FT-857/897 (US) version. If you don't use the (US) version when downloading from the radio, you will get CHIRP and radio errors.

73,
Mike - AD4MC

Mike Cohen
(404) 981-8624

# 2094. Software shown at the ARES meeting

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2014-04-09 01:27:14 UTC
From: <wcchapman@...>
Topic: 2094  Message: 2094

AGW Express Interface
http://www.w2ygsoftware.com/Home/AGWE http://www.w2ygsoftware.com/Home/AGWE
From Downloads page, the installer is under Applications.
Check out the install guide for your OS.
Also watch the 10 minute video that shows the entire installation step by step.
The slides I showed are under Stock Presentation Templates.
73 de Wayne / kg5wu

# 2095. Please unscribe from this group

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2014-04-09 14:49:06 UTC
From: <nb.20.cycle1066@...>
Topic: 2095  Message: 2095

user no longer able to participate

# 2096. North Fulton ARES Net, 4/13/2014, 8:30 pm

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2014-04-12 20:31:05 UTC
From: nfares@yahoogroups.com
Topic: 2096  Message: 2096

Reminder from: nfares Yahoo Group
http://groups.yahoo.com/group/nfares/cal

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# 2097. RE: [nfares] North Fulton ARES Net, 4/13/2014, 8:30 pm

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2014-04-14 01:13:53 UTC
From: Southerland, Steven L
Topic: 2096  Message: 2097

Tried to make contact four times, but 5 watts just does not make the trip from Bethlehem to the repeater.

If nothing gets in the way this time, will see everyone at the Tuesday meeting.

KK4DSW

Steven Southerland
404-290-3788 - cell

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# 2098. // WL2K R/ NFRAES Net 2014/04/13

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2014-04-14 11:36:37 UTC
From: Stu Mitchell
Topic: 2098  Message: 2098

NFARES Sunday Night Net
Date - 2014-04-13
Time - 20:30
Duration - 30 mins
Participants - 13

Notes - KG5WU (Wayne) introduced Winlink login(s) as an acceptable medium to be recognized
Maybe Digital next?

KK4KKF (NCS) - Stu Mitchell

KG5WU - Wayne Chapman (also on WinLink)
AD4MC - Mike Cohen (Echolink)
AK4EX - Stuart Williams
K4LJG - Mike Birmingham
KJ4CQJ - Elliott Fried
KK4IZN - James Vaught
KK4PCR - Grant
KK4USI - Gerry Werber
KR4TG - Mike Del Pozzo
N4SEC - Jim Paine
W2ASL - Bill Hatherley
W4UOC - Tom Koch

# 2099. Do you want to try the Digital Modes ?

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2014-04-15 12:50:54 UTC
From: w4uoc@...
Topic: 2099  Message: 2099
Attachments: 1 described; binary payloads are missing from this source WARC

If you are interested in learning about the digital modes for PSK-31, MT-63, RTTY or some of the other modes here is a simple cost free way to get started. I would recommend this for new to amateur radio folks. I received this in a Air Force Mars email today.
Upload the attached pdf document.

Tom Koch - W4UOC

# 2100. NFARES 2014 VFIS Beneficiary Designation for Accident & Sickness Policy

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2014-04-16 15:24:43 UTC
From: W4UOC
Topic: 2100  Message: 2100
Attachments: 1 described; binary payloads are missing from this source WARC

All NFARES Members

Annually we need to update the Accident and Sickness Policy provided at no cost to volunteers that are officially called out in response of Sandy Springs emergency support efforts.

Please update the insurance forms and either email them back to me, including your signature, or mail them to me at my home address 8170 Habersham Waters Road, Sandy Springs, GA 30350. They must be submitted before May 1st 2014 to be deployed and insured in the support of the City of Sandy Springs.

Tom Koch - W4UOC
Emergency Coordinator - North Fulton ARES
>

# 2101. North Fulton ARES Net, 4/20/2014, 8:30 pm

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2014-04-19 20:31:00 UTC
From: nfares@yahoogroups.com
Topic: 2101  Message: 2101

Reminder from: nfares Yahoo Group
http://groups.yahoo.com/group/nfares/cal

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# 2102. I have been hacked do not open "How are you"

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2014-04-21 01:52:06 UTC
From: w4uoc@...
Topic: 2102  Message: 2102

I have been hacked do not open "How are you" email from w4uoc
Sorry for trouble. I have changed my password and other security controls.

Tom Koch

# 2103. North Fulton County ARES Report 04-20-14

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2014-04-21 03:20:13 UTC
From: Fred Ackley
Topic: 2103  Message: 2103

North Fulton County ARES Report 04-20-14

CALL NAME LOCATION POWER

KK4JYO Fred Roswell Battery Net Control
KK4PCR Grant Sandy Springs Battery Alt Net Control
W4UOC Tom Sandy Springs Battery EC North Fulton
KG5WU Wayne Sandy Springs Battery
KK4USI Gerry Alpharetta Battery
AK4NA Garry Roswell Battery
K4LJG Mike East Cobb Commercial
KK4KKF Stu Cumming Commercial
N4SEC Jim Alpharetta Battery
AD4MC Mike Sandy Springs Battery
KK4YDQ Mike Alpharetta Battery
W4QO Jim Roswell Battery
N4OKN Will Roswell Battery
WW4MO Marty East Cobb Battery
WK4U Tim Roswell Battery
KK4VHZ Tom Roswell Battery
W2ASL Bill Alpharetta Battery
K4AWF Tony Alpharetta Commercial

Three of the above listed individuals also checked in via Winlink.

EchoLink was not operational during this net
Net closed at 21:06 hrs

# 2104. VFIS Forms Received ?

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2014-04-21 17:15:03 UTC
From: w4uoc@...
Topic: 2104  Message: 2104

Melinda Carter

Sandy Springs Fire/Rescue Headquarters.
So far I have VFIS forms from the following.
Tom Koch - W4UOC
Steve Knittel - KC4YBO
Mike Cohen - AD4MC
Tim Romashko
Mike Birmingham - K4LJG
Steve Southerland - Sent his for CERT
Do you agree ?
I hope to have more in the next few days. I know that you wanted these by
May 1st.
Tom Koch

# 2105. NFARES 2014 VFIS Beneficiary Designation for Accident & Sickness...

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2014-04-21 17:21:57 UTC
From: w4uoc@...
Topic: 2105  Message: 2105
Attachments: 1 described; binary payloads are missing from this source WARC

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Tom Koch - W4UOC
Emergency Coordinator - North Fulton ARES

So far I have received the following VFIS forms:

Tom Koch - W4UOC
Steve Knittel - KC4YBO
Mike Cohen - AD4MC
Tim Romashko
Mike Birmingham - K4LJG

# 2106. May NFARES Meeting

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2014-04-21 18:50:15 UTC
From: <wcchapman@...>
Topic: 2106  Message: 2106

One of the topics for the May NFARES meeting on 5/13/2014 at Brandon Hall School will be an update on the NFARES Training requirements for the FEMA NIMS courses. The list is here: http://nfares.org/node/45 http://nfares.org/node/45

If you are sitting on Certificates of Completion, please forward them to me.

If you still have some courses yet to be completed, please make an effort to do some or all before the May meeting. Please forward the PDFs of the Certificates of Completion to me.

If you are unsure which courses you may have remaining, please email me OFF LIST and I can let you know what I have for you.

Thanks!! 73 de Wayne / kg5wu
email to [kg5wu] [at] [nfares] [dot] [org]

# 2107. VFIS Forms Missing

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2014-04-22 14:12:34 UTC
From: W4UOC
Topic: 2107  Message: 2107

> Subject: VFIS Forms Missing
>
> Good morning Mr. Koch,
>
> Per our records, there are 19 HAM Radio members. We have received forms from 8 members.
>
> We still need forms for 11 members:
>
> Robert Alford
> Gary Brass
> Bill Hatherley
> Michael Lozano
> Stu Mitchell
> Jim Payne
> Wayne Rand
> Charles Register
> Grant Register
> James Vaught, Jr
> Stuart Williams
>
> If any of these members are no longer part of HAM please let me know and I'll remove them from our roster.
>
>
> Thank you,
>
> Roopal Patel
> Adminstrative Assistant
> T: 770-206-4363
> F: 770-206-4367
>
>
>

# 2108. Boston Strong

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2014-04-25 00:31:38 UTC
From: Mike Cohen
Topic: 2108  Message: 2108

Here's a great example of what amateur radio can do in a civic situation:

Copied from the ARRL Letter for April 24, 2014

*Public Service*: More Than 300 Amateur Radio Volunteers Support 2014
Boston Marathon

On a beautiful New England spring day, yet under an umbrella of heightened
security, more than 300 Amateur Radio volunteers

provided communication support on April 21 for the 118th running of the
Boston Marathon -- a 26.2-mile race from Hopkinton to Boston,
Massachusetts. In a show of solidarity following last year's tragic
bombings close to the finish line, a near record number of runners --
upward of 36,000 -- turned out for the Patriot's Day event along with a
huge outpouring of spectators.

The Boston Marathon is a major public service event for the region's
Amateur Radio volunteers.

"We received a fantastic showing of volunteer support across the start,
course, and finish line from the Amateur Radio community in the wake of the
2013 bombings," said Steve Schwarm, W3EVE, Boston Marathon Course
Coordinator. The level of ham radio support for the 2014 event demonstrated
that "Boston Strong" remains a rallying cry in the wake of last year's
tragedy, he said.

Amateur Radio communication support became
critical<http://www.arrl.org/news/radio-amateurs-provide-communication-support-in-boston-marathon-bombings-updated>
in
the aftermath of the 2013 Boston Marathon bombings, when conventional
telecommunications systems, such as cellular telephones, quickly became
overloaded and confusion reigned.

The Minuteman Repeater Association <http://mmra.org/> coordinates Marathon
Amateur Radio Communication, with assistance from the Framingham Amateur
Radio Association <http://fara.org/>, the Mohawk Amateur Radio
Club<http://mohawkarc.org/>,
and the Montachusett Amateur Radio Association <http://www.w1gz.org/>. The
race is sponsored by the Boston Athletic Association <http://www.baa.org/>
(BAA).

Amateur Radio volunteers at the State Emergency Operations Center. [Bruce
Tinkler, N9JBT, photo]

Amateur Radio had a larger presence this year at the Massachusetts Emergency Management Agency (MEMA) State Emergency Operations Center (SEOC), where a multi-agency coordination center was set up for the race. The SEOC worked closely with the Boston Marathon Amateur Net Control Center, the BAA Operations Center at Boston Public Library, and the Red Cross Disaster Operations Center in Cambridge.

ARRL Eastern Massachusetts ARES Section Emergency Coordinator Rob Macedo, KD1CY, has served in various capacities over the years as part of the Boston Marathon ham radio contingent. "This year, I was at the SEOC multi-agency coordination center with MEMA Region 1 Communications Officer Terry Stader, KA8SCP, where we provided assistance for the Amateur Radio operation and situational awareness and an alternate communication path to the marathon for MEMA Headquarters," he said.

Schwarm said that one unsung hero of the Boston Marathon Amateur Radio Communications Team is Bob DeMattia, K1IW, whom he called "the mastermind behind an elaborate net control setup" just off the race route with a line-of-sight shot to Boston. "Through a combiner and utilization of various frequencies across 2 meters, 1.25 meters, and 70 centimeters, up to 10 Amateur Radio setups were provided at the net control location with multiple antenna configurations," Schwarm explained. "Bob has done this set-up work for many years."

Upward of 36,000 runners turned out for the 2014 Boston Marathon. [Boston Athletic Association photo]

This year one of the 2 meter repeaters for the race course operation went down less than 24 hours before the start of the Boston Marathon. "Bob responded to the situation...and had the repeater back in operation just as the marathon was starting," Schwarm said.

Schwarm also expressed his appreciation to his assistant, Jim Palmer, KB1KQW, for his support as an assistant course coordinator, as well as to Paul Topolski, W1SEX, who handled finish-line operations, and to Kevin Paetzold, K1KWP, for supporting starting-line operations. Paetzold echoed Schwarm's praise of DeMattia. "It is immense; it has been happening for many years and seems mostly invisible," he said.

Paetzold said there were four ham radio teams -- 34 volunteers in all -- at the starting line. His primary assistant, Dave Wolfe, KG1H, oversaw the South Street parking operation, while Jonathan Allen, K2KKH, was responsible for the Hopkinton State Park parking operation, while Pi Pugh, K1RV, handled the Athlete's Village operation -- jobs both have done for many years.

Topolski said hams anticipated security issues, but none arose. "Nobody had a hassle," he told ARRL. A new twist this year was that the operation went from the separate command trailers used in past races to an indoor command center. "I think the operations center is a definite plus, and I think we're going to go with that in the future," he said.

All public safety agencies were represented in the command center, and the net control received many ambulance calls -- about 70 all told -- in part owing to warmer weather this year, Topolski said. This year Amateur Radio volunteers relayed ambulance requests to the state EOC using a commercial UHF digital radio system, and hams spoke directly with

ARES Volunteer Marek Kozubal, KB1NCG, in the indoor command center uses MotoBridge technology linked to remote radios that are tuned to ham repeaters. [Courtesy of Paul Topolski, W1SEX]

MEMA dispatchers. Hams on the course were issued UHF digital radios to request police, fire, and EMS. "It was an additional resource," he said. "That worked out well." Macedo said Amateur Radio operators very quickly had to learn the new UHF commercial system.

At the height of the Marathon, Macedo said, the finish line medical tents were near 80 percent capacity. Amateur Radio also backed up the commercial network for ambulance requests, he said, and volunteers continued to handle logistical supply and medical bus transports via Amateur Radio.

Topolski said ham radio came in handy after the Boston Fire Department was called to Boylston Street in downtown Boston following a report of a possible natural gas leak. "At almost the same time, one of the hams on the street was smelling natural gas coming from a manhole," he said. "The fire department was looking in one place, while the ham down the street was actually at the site of the leak."

All marathon operations secured by about 8 PM, as the last course first aid and finish-line operations closed down.

BTW, I was born in Boston, so this has a special significant for me...

73,

Mike - AD4MC

Mike Cohen

(404) 981-8624

# 2109. NFARL/NFARES Field Day Participation

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2014-04-26 15:30:45 UTC
From: w4uoc@...
Topic: 2109  Message: 2109
Attachments: 1 described; binary payloads are missing from this source WARC

Chief Desimone - Sandy Springs Police Department

For the past several years our North Fulton Amateur Radio Emergency Service has set up a communications display during the Amateur Radio Relay League's national Field Day Event to demonstrate to the public our ability to provide communications, in time of emergency throughout the country and world. Three years ago we set up our portable station utilizing a Milton Fire/Rescue command trailer and last year we set up in the Sandy Springs Fire/Rescue inflatable building for this Saturday afternoon to Sunday afternoon event at park in Roswell.

I am asking your consideration if this year we might use the Sandy Springs Police command trailer and the amateur radio equipment that is currently stored at the police station? This Field Day event is scheduled for June 28th and 29th and has been attended, in the past, by not only North Fulton citizens but also city council members, county and state officials and our local congressional representatives.

I would like to meet with you discuss your thoughts about supporting this effort.

Tom Koch - W4UOC
Emergency Coordinator - North Fulton Amateur Radio Emergency Service
404-314-6109

# 2110. North Fulton ARES Net, 4/27/2014, 8:30 pm

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2014-04-26 20:30:58 UTC
From: nfares@yahoogroups.com
Topic: 2110  Message: 2110

Reminder from: nfares Yahoo Group
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# 2111. North Fulton Amateur Radio Emergency Services Net - April 27, 2014

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2014-04-28 02:05:05 UTC
From: Grant Register
Topic: 2111  Message: 2111

North Fulton County ARES Report 04-27-14

| | CALL | NAME | LOCATION | POWER | REMARKS |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| 1) | KK4PCR | Grant | Sandy Springs | Commerical | (Net Control) |
| 2) | W4UOC | Tom | Sandy Springs | Battery | (Emergency Coordinator for North Fulton) |
| 3) | KG5WU | Wayne | Sandy Springs | Battery | (Echolink) |
| 4) | KK4USI | Gerry | Alpharetta | Battery | |
| 5) | K4LJG | Mike | East Cobb | Commercial | |
| 6) | KK4KKF | Stu | Cumming | Commercial | |
| 7) | N4SEC | Jim | Alpharetta | Battery | (Echolink) |
| 8) | AD4MC | Mike | Sandy Springs | Battery | (Alternate Net Control) |
| 9) | KK4JYO | Fred | Roswell | Battery | |
| 10) | KK4YDQ | Mike | Alpharetta | Battery | |
| 11) | K4WSW | Bill | Alpharetta | Battery | |
| 12) | W2ASL | Bill | Alpharetta | Battery | |
| 13) | KK4IZN | James | Brandon Hall | Commercial | |
| 14) | AC4PA | Pavel | Alpharetta | Battery | |
| 15) | AK4EX | Stuart | Sandy Springs | Commercial | |
| 16) | KF4UPO | Mike | Norcross | Battery | (Echolink) |
| 17) | AK4TL | Clyde | Dunwoody | Battery | |

There were Winlink check-in by W4UOC, KK4PCR, AD4MC and KG5WU.

Up coming event are Field Day in June and the SET in October.

KK4PCR will volunteer to be the NFARES chairman for the ARES field day event, with assistance from the other club members and advice from our emergency coordinator. I will be looking for suggestions on how we may showcase our skills.

Net closed at 21:03 hrs

C. Grant Register
KK4PCR-General License
Home Address
115 Chelveston Place
Dunwoody, Georgia 30350

# 2112. Florida Islands Mini-Expidition Friday, Saturday and Sunday

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2014-05-02 01:42:38 UTC
From: Jim Paine
Topic: 2112  Message: 2112

Terry Joyner (W4YBV) and I  (Jim N4SEC) will be operating three days from three different islands in the Pepper Fish Keys near Steinhatchee FL (Big bend area in the Gulf).  Friday we hope to be operational about  8:00 am on the first island .  We are participating in the US Islands Awards Program.  Starting frequencies will be around 7.250 or 14.260 and we may try 21.350 and 28.450 later.  We need your contact!  We need a minimum of 25 contacts to activate out official assigned island number.

Weather has been bad here but improving so we should good on the time, or possibly later in the day Friday.  Saturday and Sunday look much better.  Hope to hear you calling!

Jim Paine - N4SEC

# 2113. Fw: [nfarl] Florida Islands Mini-Expidition Friday, Saturday and Sunday

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2014-05-02 11:37:50 UTC
From: Jim Paine
Topic: 2112  Message: 2113

Update:  Friday Morning.  Our start will be delayed because of rain storms.  We will try to start later this afternoon.  Our plans for Saturday and Sunday are still the same ... early start.  Stay tuned!  Listen for our CQ's!

Thanks,

Jim Paine - N4SEC

On Thursday, May 1, 2014 9:42 PM, Jim Paine <jim_paine@...> wrote:

Terry Joyner (W4YBV) and I  (Jim N4SEC) will be operating three days from three different islands in the Pepper Fish Keys near Steinhatchee FL (Big bend area in the Gulf).  Friday we hope to be operational about  8:00 am on the first island .  We are participating in the US Islands Awards Program.  Starting frequencies will be around 7.250 or 14.260 and we may try 21.350 and 28.450 later.  We need your contact!  We need a minimum of 25 contacts to activate out official assigned island number.

Weather has been bad here but improving so we should good on the time, or possibly later in the day Friday.  Saturday and Sunday look much better.  Hope to hear you calling!

Jim Paine - N4SEC

# 2114. North Fulton ARES Net, 5/4/2014, 8:30 pm

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2014-05-03 20:31:05 UTC
From: nfares@yahoogroups.com
Topic: 2114  Message: 2114

Reminder from: nfares Yahoo Group
http://groups.yahoo.com/group/nfares/cal

North Fulton ARES Net
Sunday May 4, 2014
8:30 pm - 9:00 pm
(GMT+00:00)
Location: 147.060( ) NFARL repeater (PL 100)

Notes:
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# 2115. Metro Atlanta ARES net at 4pm May 4, 2014

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2014-05-04 16:01:50 UTC
From: w4uoc@...
Topic: 2115  Message: 2115

Check in today to the Metro Atlanta ARES net at 4pm on 145.430 – 107.2 repeater.

Tom - W4UOC

# 2116. NFARES 2-meter net, Sunday, May 4, 2014

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2014-05-05 01:58:18 UTC
From: Mike Cohen
Topic: 2116  Message: 2116

We had 14 check-ins on the NFARES 2-meter net, Sunday, May 4, 2014

W4UOC – Tom, EC North Fulton, Sandy Springs, BP

AK4EX (ANCS)– Stuart, Sandy Springs, BP

KK4USI – Gerry, Alpharetta, BP

KK4IZN – James, Sandy Springs, Brandon Hall School

N4MSS – Mike, Holly Springs, EL

KK4KKF – Stu, Cumming

K4LJG – Mike, E. Cobb

KK4VHZ – Tim, Roswell, BP

KG5WU – Wayne, Sandy Springs, BP

W4QO – Jim, Roswell, BP

KK4JYO – Fred, Roswell, BP

KE4EM – Bob, W. Roswell

N4EDU – Eduardo, W. Cobb

AD4MC (NCS) - Mike, Sandy Springs, BP

BP = Battery Power

EL = EchoLink

Comments:

W4UOC;

Next NFARES meeting on Tuesday, May 13th.

Field Day, June 28th, SSPD trailer will be manned by N4MSS – Mike and other NFARES members

GA400 Bikle Ride, June 29th

SET on Saturday, October 4h SET Captian this year will be K4LJG – K4LJG

W4QO;

*Tech Net Monday at* *8:30 PM on the 145.47*repeater
and others of the NFARL system. Also, don't forget the CHAT ROOM

which can be reached at *nfarl.dodropin.org <http://nfarl.dodropin.org/>* The chat room is much
fun and where folks search and post links. Can't reach the repeaters?
Then fire up your*Echolink*and connect to node *355800 *to join in.

We welcome all NFARES members to be NCS at least once per year. The Net Script can be found at nfares.org.

The next scheduled net will be Sunday, May 11th This net closed at 8:56 PM.

73,

Mike - AD4MC

404-981-8624

# 2117. ARES Event turns into Emergency

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2014-05-06 22:27:32 UTC
From: Wayne Chapman
Topic: 2117  Message: 2117

A cautionary tale for any and all ARES events. We must be ready for the unexpected!

http://www.arrl.org/news/view/ham-radio-volunteers-shift-gears-to-handle-mountain-bike-event-emergency-1

Something similar happened in Georgia just last year (lest you think it cannot happen "in your back yard").

"When all else fails, Amateur Radio"

73 de Wayne / kg5wu

# 2118. Re: [nfares] ARES Event turns into Emergency

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2014-05-07 20:03:42 UTC
From: Mike Cohen
Topic: 2117  Message: 2118

Interesting story. Thanks for sharing it, Wayne.

73,
Mike - AD4MC

Mike Cohen
(404) 981-8624

On Tue, May 6, 2014 at 6:27 PM, Wayne Chapman <wcchapman@...>wrote:

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>
> A cautionary tale for any and all ARES events. We must be ready for the
> unexpected!
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>
> http://www.arrl.org/news/view/ham-radio-volunteers-shift-gears-to-handle-mountain-bike-event-emergency-1
>
> Something similar happened in Georgia just last year (lest you think it
> cannot happen "in your back yard").
>
> "When all else fails, Amateur Radio"
>
> 73 de Wayne / kg5wu
>
>
>

# 2119. North Fulton ARES Net, 5/11/2014, 8:30 pm

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2014-05-10 20:31:05 UTC
From: nfares@yahoogroups.com
Topic: 2119  Message: 2119

Reminder from: nfares Yahoo Group
http://groups.yahoo.com/group/nfares/cal

North Fulton ARES Net
Sunday May 11, 2014
8:30 pm - 9:00 pm
(GMT+00:00)
Location: 147.060( ) NFARL repeater (PL 100)

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# 2120. NFARES STANDBY HEADS-UP

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2014-05-10 21:55:46 UTC
From: Wayne Chapman
Topic: 2120  Message: 2120

Attn NFARES.

Sandy Springs FD may need our assistance today. Their radio system has
been experiencing problems this afternoon. It is currently back on line.

Please monitor 147.060 (+) PL 100.0 for info.

73 de Wayne / kg5wu
NFARES

# 2121. North Fulton ARES Meeting, 5/13/2014, 7:00 pm

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2014-05-11 19:00:55 UTC
From: nfares@yahoogroups.com
Topic: 2121  Message: 2121

Reminder from: nfares Yahoo Group
http://groups.yahoo.com/group/nfares/cal

North Fulton ARES Meeting
Tuesday May 13, 2014
7:00 pm - 9:00 pm
(GMT+00:00)
Location: Brandon Hall School - 1701 Brandon Hall Drive Sandy Springs, GA 30350

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# 2122. Peachtree Road Race

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2014-05-11 22:00:25 UTC
From: elliott3070@...
Topic: 2122  Message: 2122

The Peachtree Road Race is just over a month and a half away and planning and preparation is in full swing. The race organizers are once again looking for Ham Radio Operators to volunteer to assist with this huge event. Due to the number of participants, a large number of operators are needed to help.

If you are available, interested or know anyone who might be interested, go to:

http://www.peachtreeroadrace.org/ http://www.peachtreeroadrace.org/

and click on the volunteer link to sign up. (Scroll to the day of the event, there is a job tilted 'Ham Radio Operator') This is a great Public Service event for anyone. In the past, Ham Radio Operators have proven vital to the welfare of runners of this race multiple times.

Please share this with anyone who might be interested.

Thanks
Elliott
KJ4CQJ

# 2123. Re: NFARES May 11, 2014 Net Report

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2014-05-12 13:34:54 UTC
From: Mike Cohen
Topic: 2123  Message: 2123

CONGRATULATIONS, Gerry!! I am very happy for you on you upgrade to General class. You can be justifiably proud of your accomplishment.

73,
Mike - AD4MC

Mike Cohen
(404) 981-8624

On Sun, May 11, 2014 at 9:20 PM, <swilliams2549@...> wrote:

> The following operators checked in to the NFARES May 11, 2014 net:
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> 1.
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> KKRJYO Fred (ANCS) – Roswell, BP
> 2.
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> AD4MC Mike – Sandy Springs, RF and EL
> 3.
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> KK4USI Gerry – Roswell, BP
> 4.
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> KK4KKF Stu – Cumming, CP
> 5.
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> KG5WU Wayne – Sandy Springs, BP
> 6.
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> N4SEC Jim – Alpharetta, BP
> 7.
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> K4LJG Mike – E. Cobb, CP
> 8.
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> N2EYI Brian – Johns Creek, CP
> 9.
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> K4AWF Tony – Alpharetta, CP
> 10.
>
> N4OKN Will – Roswell, CP

> 11.
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> KJ4CQJ Elliott – Doraville, CP
> 12.
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> KK4PCR Grant – Mobile, BP
> 13.
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> AK4TL Clyde – Dunwoody, CP
> 14.
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> KF4UPO Mike - EL
> 15.
>
> AK4EX Stuart (NCS) – Sandy Springs, CP
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> *Comments*
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> 1.
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> Congratulations to Gerry KK4USI past the General Exam. (Gerry also
> thanked Scott, KB4KBS for his assistance in preparing for the exam)
> 2.
>
> Wayne, KG5WU reminded everyone of the North Fulton ARES scheduled
> meeting at Brandon Hall on May 13, 2014 at 7:00 pm. The schedule
> topics includes the NFARES role in Field Day in June, the SET later in the
> year and other possible public service opportunities for the group.
> 3.
>
> Elliott, KJ4CQJ mentioned amateur radio operators are needed for the
> upcoming Peachtree Road Race. Please visit PeachtreeRoadRace.org to
> sign up for radio communications.
> 4.
>
> Congratulations and Happy Mother’s Day to all our mothers.
> 5.
>
> Stuart, AK4EX, reminded everyone about TechNet on the 145.470 repeater
> at 8:30 pm on Monday evenings.
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> *Legend:*
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> BP-Battery Power
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> CP-Commercial Power
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> EL – EchoLink
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> NCS – Net Control Station
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> ANCS – Alternate Net Control Station
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>
> *Net closed at approximately 8:55pm local time.*
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> There were 15 Check-ins, including the NCS, during the NFARES 05/14/2014
> net. The next scheduled net will be Sunday, May 18, 2014 at 8:30 p.m.
> local time.
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>
> Thanks to all who checked in this evening and 73’s.
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>
> Stuart, AK4EX
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# 2124. Dinner before the NFARES meeting at Brandon Hall School

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2014-05-13 12:11:12 UTC
From: Mike Cohen
Topic: 2124  Message: 2124

If you want to join us for dinner before the NFARES meeting at Brandon Hall School, dinner will be served at 5:30 p.m. in the dinning hall. But if you arrive after 5:30 all I can say is good luck! The line closes or runs out of food much past the ringing of the dinner bell.

If you plan to attend send an email to James Vaught KK4IZN jvaught@... so he can get a head count of our groupr. The charge for the dinner is $8.00 and it would help if you have the correct change !!!

Mike Cohen- AD4MC
Tom Koch - W4UOC

# 2125. North Fulton ARES Net, 5/18/2014, 8:30 pm

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2014-05-17 20:31:10 UTC
From: nfares@yahoogroups.com
Topic: 2125  Message: 2125

Reminder from: nfares Yahoo Group
http://groups.yahoo.com/group/nfares/cal

North Fulton ARES Net
Sunday May 18, 2014
8:30 pm - 9:00 pm
(GMT+00:00)
Location: 147.060( ) NFARL repeater (PL 100)

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# 2126. //WL2K R/ North Fulton Ares Net Meeting 05-18-14

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2014-05-19 01:43:21 UTC
From: Fred Ackley
Topic: 2126  Message: 2126

North Fulton Ares Net Meeting 05-18-14

NET CHECK-INS

kk4jyo Fred Roswell Battery (Net Control)

ad4mc Mike Sandy Springs Battery (Alt Net Control)

kk4usi Gerry Alparetta Battery

kg5wu Wayne Sandy Springs Battery (Winlink checkins)

k4ljg Mike East Cobb Commercial

n4sec Jim Alpharetta Battery

kk4pcr Grant Sandy Springs Commercial

ak4ex Stewart Sandy Springs Battery

kk4kkf Stu Cumming Commercial I/O

kt4ls Lee Gwinette Co Commercial I/O

kk4ydq Mike Alpharetts Battery

W4uoc Tom Sandy Springs Battery (NFARES EC)

kj4cqj Elliott Doraville Commercial

ak4tl Clyde Dunwoody Mobile

k4awf Tony Alpharetts Echolink

w5jr Mike Cherokee Co Commercial

k4dmn Darren Roswell Battery

kj4hnm Paul Cobb Co Commercial

Duplicate check-ins via Winlink were sent to KG5WU as practice

Total check-ins: 18

Net closed at 21:05 hours EDT

# 2127. ARES and GEMA

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2014-05-19 18:08:02 UTC
From: W4UOC
Topic: 2127  Message: 2127

http://video.foxnews.com/v/3575775732001/ham-radio-gaining-new-support-in-digital-era/#sp=show-clips

Sent from my iPad

# 2128. Welcome

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2014-05-19 20:04:43 UTC
From: Mike Cohen
Topic: 2128  Message: 2128

Welcome, Mike,

Glad that you signed up for NFARES@yahoogroups.com.

73,
Mike - AD4MC

Mike Cohen
(404) 981-8624

# 2129. Good ham radio writeup at Fox News

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2014-05-19 21:35:34 UTC
From: pavel.anni@...
Topic: 2129  Message: 2129

Hi fellow hams,

Just found this article at Fox News which talks about ham radio backup communications systems at Emory. Good to have this support in mainstream media.

73,
Pavel AC4PA

Ham radio: Old technology gets new respect
http://www.foxnews.com/tech/2014/05/19/ham-radio-old-technology-gets-new-respect/

http://www.foxnews.com/tech/2014/05/19/ham-radio-old-technology-gets-new-respect/

Ham radio: Old technology gets new respect
http://www.foxnews.com/tech/2014/05/19/ham-radio-old-technology-gets-new-respect/ Seeking reliable backup communication in a crisis, emergency managers are finding new solutions in an old technology: ham radio.

View on www.foxnews.com
http://www.foxnews.com/tech/2014/05/19/ham-radio-old-technology-gets-new-respect/
Preview by Yahoo

# 2130. Re: [nfares] Good ham radio writeup at Fox News

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2014-05-19 23:44:39 UTC
From: Rhonda Wilson
Topic: 2129  Message: 2130

Great find! Thank you for sending this on.
Rhonda Wilson

770-674-4644

A Computer Wiz-Nerd

------ Original Message ------
From: "pavel.anni@... [nfares]" <nfares@yahoogroups.com>
To: nfares@...m
Sent: 5/19/2014 5:35:34 PM
Subject: [nfares] Good ham radio writeup at Fox News

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>Hi fellow hams,
>
>Just found this article at Fox News which talks about ham radio backup
>communications systems at Emory. Good to have this support in
>mainstream media.
>
>73,
>Pavel AC4PA
>
>Ham radio: Old technology gets new respect
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>Ham radio: Old technology gets new respect
>Seeking reliable backup communication in a crisis, emergency managers
>are finding new solutions in an old technology: ham radio.
>View on www.foxnews.com
>Preview by Yahoo
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>
>No virus found in this message.
>Checked by AVG - www.avg.com
>Version: 2014.0.4570 / Virus Database: 3950/7521 - Release Date:
>05/19/14
>

# 2131. NFARES Net Sunday May 18

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2014-05-21 23:18:43 UTC
From: Fred Ackley
Topic: 2131  Message: 2131

Seems this did not go through to the group address last Sunday. I'm trying again.

North Fulton County ARES Report 04-20-14

CALL NAME LOCATION POWER

KK4JYO Fred Roswell Battery Net Control
KK4PCR Grant Sandy Springs Battery Alt Net Control
W4UOC Tom Sandy Springs Battery EC North Fulton
KG5WU Wayne Sandy Springs Battery
KK4USI Gerry Alpharetta Battery
AK4NA Garry Roswell Battery
K4LJG Mike East Cobb Commercial
KK4KKF Stu Cumming Commercial
N4SEC Jim Alpharetta Battery
AD4MC Mike Sandy Springs Battery
KK4YDQ Mike Alpharetta Battery
W4QO Jim Roswell Battery
N4OKN Will Roswell Battery
WW4MO Marty East Cobb Battery
WK4U Tim Roswell Battery
KK4VHZ Tom Roswell Battery
W2ASL Bill Alpharetta Battery
K4AWF Tony Alpharetta Commercial

Three of the above listed individuals also checked in via Winlink.
EchoLonk was not operational during this net
Net closed at 21:06 hrs

Fred
KK4JYO

# 2132. DRATS SETUP

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2014-05-22 14:16:50 UTC
From: Mike Cohen
Topic: 2132  Message: 2132
Attachments: 1 described; binary payloads are missing from this source WARC

For those of us who want to use DRATS, John, WB4QDX, has posted an excellent setup guide. Even if you already have DRATS set up, you may want to compare your settings with the ones John recommends.

73,
Mike - AD4MC

Mike Cohen
(404) 981-8624

# 2133. North Fulton ARES Net, 5/25/2014, 8:30 pm

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2014-05-24 20:31:05 UTC
From: nfares@yahoogroups.com
Topic: 2133  Message: 2133

Reminder from: nfares Yahoo Group
http://groups.yahoo.com/group/nfares/cal

North Fulton ARES Net
Sunday May 25, 2014
8:30 pm - 9:00 pm
(GMT+00:00)
Location: 147.060( ) NFARL repeater (PL 100)

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# 2134. ARES Net log May 25, 2014

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2014-05-26 11:56:00 UTC
From: Michael Birmingham
Topic: 2134  Message: 2134

May 25, 2014 NFARL Net

K4LJG MIKE EAST COBB COMM NCS
AK4NA GARY ROSWELL BATT ANCS
N4MSS MIKE CANTON BATT
KD9RU DAVE AIKEN, SC BATT
KK4KKF STU CUMMING COMM
KK4USI GERRY ALPHARETTA BATT
KI4DSO GEORGE NORCROSS BATT
WO4MW MARK NORCROSS BATT
KK4JYO FRED ROSWELL BATT
AK4TL CLYDE MOBILE EL
KJ4CQJ ELLIOT DORAVILLE COMM

NET CLOSED AT 8:50 LOCAL TIME
NEXT NET JUNE 1, 2014

# 2135. North Fulton ARES Net, 6/1/2014, 8:30 pm

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2014-05-31 20:31:07 UTC
From: nfares@yahoogroups.com
Topic: 2135  Message: 2135

Reminder from: nfares Yahoo Group
http://groups.yahoo.com/group/nfares/cal

North Fulton ARES Net
Sunday June 1, 2014
8:30 pm - 9:00 pm
(GMT+00:00)
Location: 147.060( ) NFARL repeater (PL 100)

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# 2136. NFARES Sunday Net Log for 2014-06-01

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2014-06-03 12:01:02 UTC
From: wcchapman@...
Topic: 2136  Message: 2136

NFARES Sunday Night Net
(15 participants) 2014-06-01 30 mins

KG5WU (NCS) - Wayne Chapman
KK4PCR (ANCS) - Grant Register
AD4MC - Mike Cohen
AK4EX - Stuart Williams
AK4NA - Garry Brass
K4DMN - Darren Nelsen
K4LJG - Mike Birmingham
KF4UPO - Michael Lozano
KI4DSO - George Lane
KK4KKF - Stu Mitchell
KT4LS - Lee Stone
N4BTA - Bret Arnold
N4SEC - Jim Paine
W2ASL - Bill Hatherley
W4UOC - Tom Koch

Announcements:
W4UOC - Tom reported a request from Sandy Springs Fire Department for assistance with the Sandy Springs fireworks display on July 5th.

W4UOC - Tom reminded us of the NFARES meeting on June 10th, 7p, Brandon Hall School.

W4UOC - Tom reported that we will have use of the Sandy Springs Police Department command trailer at Field Day.

KG5WU - Wayne requested volunteers for the Peachtree Road Race on July 4th.

KG5WU - Wayne requested volunteers for the Ga400 Bike Ride on June 29th.

# 2137. North Fulton ARES Net, 6/8/2014, 8:30 pm

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2014-06-07 20:31:09 UTC
From: nfares@yahoogroups.com
Topic: 2137  Message: 2137

Reminder from: nfares Yahoo Group
http://groups.yahoo.com/group/nfares/cal

North Fulton ARES Net
Sunday June 8, 2014
8:30 pm - 9:00 pm
(GMT+00:00)
Location: 147.060( ) NFARL repeater (PL 100)

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# 2138. City of Roswell Proclamation June 23, 7:00 PM

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2014-06-08 14:00:39 UTC
From: Jim Paine
Topic: 2138  Message: 2138

The City of Roswell is proclaiming the week of June 23 as "Amateur Radio Week in Roswell". A Proclamation will be read by the Mayor at the City Council meeting June 23 at 7:00 pm, Roswell City Hall. The proclamation will recognize the benefits of amateur radio to the community, the accomplishments of NFARL, and the Field Day event held in Roswell June 28 and 29.

All amateur radio operators, friends and family are encouraged to attend. This will be a the beginning of the meeting and should be done in about 20 minutes. The printed Proclamation will be presented to NFARL by Mayor Woods after the reading. Roswell has long supported NFARL by offering the free use of one of their parks for Field Day.

Jim Paine - N4SEC

# 2139. North Fulton ARES Meeting, 6/10/2014, 7:00 pm

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2014-06-08 19:01:00 UTC
From: nfares@yahoogroups.com
Topic: 2139  Message: 2139

Reminder from: nfares Yahoo Group
http://groups.yahoo.com/group/nfares/cal

North Fulton ARES Meeting
Tuesday June 10, 2014
7:00 pm - 9:00 pm
(GMT+00:00)
Location: Brandon Hall School - 1701 Brandon Hall Drive Sandy Springs, GA 30350

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# 2140. Fwd: How to listen to the radio using herbs - Transmitter located in Kiev, Ukraine - YouTube

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2014-06-09 02:20:32 UTC
From: W4UOC
Topic: 2140  Message: 2140

Sent from my iPad

Begin forwarded message:
>
>
> How to listen to the radio using herbs - Transmitter located in Kiev, Ukraine - YouTube
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> https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=bNawh4faZM8
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> We tend to get what we expect.
> Norman Vincent Peale
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# 2141. NFARES Sunday Night Log 20140608

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2014-06-09 12:13:16 UTC
From: Stu Mitchell
Topic: 2141  Message: 2141

NFARES Sunday Night Net

2014-06-08 28 mins Net closed at 20:58

20 participants
2 WinLink Checkins

KK4KKF - Stu NCS
AK4NA - Garry ANCS

KK4YDQ - Mike (Echolink and Winlink)
KK4USI - Gerry
KK4JYO - Fred
N4SEC - Jim
W2ASL - Bill
KK4VHZ - Tom
KK4YDQ - Mike
W4QO - Jim
AK4EX - Stuart
KG5WU - Wayne
AD4MC - Mike
KK4WNY - Sam
WW4WX - Juan
K4AWF - Tony
WQ4MW - Mike
KK4RGK - Daryl
K4TSJ - Charles
W4UOC - Tom (Winlnk)

# 2142. NFARES MEETING - AGENDA TOPICS - Brandon Hall School - 7:00 p.m. June 10th

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2014-06-09 17:33:34 UTC
From: w4uoc@...
Topic: 2142  Message: 2142

1. Final preparations for NFARES support of NFARL field day.
SSPD - command trailer
Two meter packet to send guest/visitor Radiograms via VHF
radio
D/Star radio on reflector 30C for voice communication
demonstrations for guest/visitors.
Send Radiograms to National Traffic System for field day
reports. Template usage to be described by AD4MC
Saturday only event for NFARES
Show previous activity videos on the large screen Monitor
in the SSPD command trailer. (ARES CERT video, ARES SET of 2012)
Solar Power demonstration to provide power for the two
meter packet and D/Star equipment. - Stuart AK4EX /Grant KK4PCR.

Hands on Demo of packet radio equipment using RMS
express preparation/training for our field day demos.

2. GA-400 Cycle Ride - Wayne Chapman KG5WU
Description of the event
Locations needing assignments
Sign-up sheet and commitments

3. Sandy Springs Fire Works Display July 5th - Tom W4UOC
Chief Mark Duke. Description of needs.
Sign-up sheet

# 2143. NFARES 2014 Field Day Commitments to NFARL

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2014-06-09 23:52:15 UTC
From: Mike Cohen
Topic: 2143  Message: 2143
Attachments: 1 described; binary payloads are missing from this source WARC

NFARES Team,

This year's NFARL Field Day is setup as a contest and NFARES has committed to adding 300 bonus points to the total point score. Attached are some comments on how we are planning to earn those 300 bonus points and a link to the complete set of ARRL rules . We will discuss this in detail during our Tuesday NFARES meeting at Brandon Hall.

73,
Mike - AD4MC

Mike Cohen
(404) 981-8624

# 2144. NFARES SUPPORT AT FIELD DAY - INFO FOR NEWBIES

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2014-06-12 03:09:18 UTC
From: W4UOC
Topic: 2144  Message: 2144

I've had several new hams ask what they need to bring to help with the NFARES activities at the NFARL Field Day event on Saturday.

You might consider bringing a folding lawn chair and water but there should be snacks and refreshments available. You won't need a rig. You will not be tied down to our NFARES area and can move around, observe and maybe help at the other stations. Be sure to operate the GOTA "Get on the air" station especially if your a new ham less than three years, You can operate the HF stations even if your not a general class ham. It's a fun/fellowship type of thing! Sort of like "Fishing" which is different from "Catching" !
More like the bachelor party than the wedding !

Tom - W4UOC

# 2145. NFARES Ready to Do Its Part for ARRL Field Day June 28,2014

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2014-06-14 16:43:29 UTC
From: w4uoc@...
Topic: 2145  Message: 2145
Attachments: 2 described; binary payloads are missing from this source WARC

Field Day also provides a way to show how the Amateur Radio Emergency Service can aid the community.
This year, Grant Register, KK4PCR, is heading up North Fulton ARES Field Day support. We will be using the Sandy Springs Police Department tactical trailer (at the request of Tom Koch, W4UOC) and the Alpharetta mobile command vehicle (at the request of Jim Paine, N4SEC) to set up demonstrations of community service, including providing emergency communications for north Fulton police and fire departments, local hospitals and shelters.
Stop by these vehicles to see voice and digital message handling of ICS-213 (civil service) messages and NTS Radiogram messages (ham radio). D-Star radio will also be demonstrated along with Solar Powered backup systems (Grant and Stuart Williams, AK4EX).

# 2146. W4UOC retirement as North Fulton ARES Emergency Coordinator

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2014-06-14 17:17:33 UTC
From: w4uoc@...
Topic: 2146  Message: 2146

I had hoped to announce at our June 10th NFARES meeting that I had requested to nominate my replacement as Emergency Coordinator for the North Fulton ARES.

I took on the EC position and responsibilities almost eight years ago and have enjoyed working with a great team during those several years. We had a very diverse team with may talents and you all supported our efforts in grand style. Every year that I reviewed the membership roster I was pleased to see that a large percentage of our members started out with technician class licenses and have grown in experience and technical abilities thru the efforts of our organization.

Last year under the direction, again, of Mike Cohen AD4MC, Wayne Chapman KG5WU and the support of many other ARES and NFARL members we achieved the number one position for the state of Georgia for the 2013 Simulated Emergency Test. In past years our group has always been in the top two or three Georgia State ARES organizations and in the top percentage bracket nationally.

What's even more satisfying is that we have earned the recognition and respect of our North Fulton cities, public safety organizations and local hospitals for our emergency communications efforts to support them.. They now call us for support which indicates how they value our efforts to serve the five cities in North Fulton County.

I recently nominated Mike Birmingham K4LJG to be my replacement for our group and he accepted my request.

I am pleased to announce that Mike has received the official appointment from the ARRL and his position will begin immediately.

73

Tom Koch - W4UOC

Dear Michael – K4LJG:
Thank you so much for your support to ARRL and Field Organization as Emergency Coordinator. Our records show that you have not received the latest resources to assist you with your EC appointment. Attached is your appointment letter, a list of supplies that are available to you electronically as well as pdf file of EC manual. You will also receive an additional package of supplies which will include an ARES field resource manual along with some ARES id cards. Thank you very much.
73,

Leona G. Adams, W1LGA

# 2147. Re: [nfares] W4UOC retirement as North Fulton ARES Emergency Coordinator

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2014-06-14 17:25:39 UTC
From: Mike Cohen
Topic: 2146  Message: 2147

A big THANKS to Tom, W4UOC, for the amazing job he has done as NFARES EC
for the past 8 years. I am proud to be a member of the NFARES Team that
Tom built.

A big SHOUT OUT to Mike, K4LJG, for accepting the role of EC for NFARES.
You have my commitment to do everything I can to help you continue the
progress that NFARES has made in the community.

73,
Mike - AD4MC

Mike Cohen
(404) 981-8624

On Sat, Jun 14, 2014 at 1:17 PM, w4uoc@... [nfares] <
nfares@yahoogroups.com> wrote:

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# 2148. North Fulton ARES Net, 6/15/2014, 8:30 pm

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2014-06-14 20:31:09 UTC
From: nfares@yahoogroups.com
Topic: 2148  Message: 2148

Reminder from: nfares Yahoo Group
http://groups.yahoo.com/group/nfares/cal

North Fulton ARES Net
Sunday June 15, 2014
8:30 pm - 9:00 pm
(GMT+00:00)
Location: 147.060( ) NFARL repeater (PL 100)

Notes:
Everyone is welcome to check into this net whether a NFARES member or not. Learn some techniques for how to handle emergency situations.

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# 2149. DNS renewal

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2014-06-15 22:32:29 UTC
From: n40cla@...
Topic: 2149  Message: 2149

I am looking for the person that is responsible for the renewal of the NFARES domain name. Please contact me off line at n4cla at nfarl dot org

# 2150. Fw: [nfares] W4UOC retirement as North Fulton ARES Emergency Coordinator

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2014-06-15 22:58:49 UTC
From: Jim Stafford
Topic: 2146  Message: 2150

WOW!  Well, way to go Tom for all your excellent leadership thru the years and congrats to Mike for picking up the mantel.  Good stuff!  jim/w4qo

On Saturday, June 14, 2014 1:17 PM, "w4uoc@... [nfares]" <nfares@yahoogroups.com> wrote:

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Tom Koch - W4UOC

# 2151. NFARES 2-meter net, Sunday, June 15, 2014

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2014-06-16 01:24:26 UTC
From: Mike Cohen
Topic: 2151  Message: 2151

We had 16 check-ins on the NFARES 2-meter net, Sunday, June 15, 2014

KK4PCR- Grant, Sandy Springs EL, BP

KD9RU – Dave, Aiken, SC, EL

K4LJG – Mike, E. Cobb, EL

N4SEC (ANCS) – Jim, Alpharetta, BP,

W4UOC – Tom, Sandy Springs, BP

KG5WU – Wayne, Sandy Springs, BP

W2ASL – Bill, Alpharetta, BP

KK4IZN – James, Brandon Hall School, Sandy Springs, BP

KK4KKF – Stu, Cumming

AK4EX – Stuart, Sandy Springs, BP

KK4VHZ – Tim, Roswell, BP

KK4TSJ – Charles, Smyrna

K4AWF – Tony, Alpharetta

KK4JYO – Fred, Roswell, BP

K4RGK – Daryl, Roswell

AD4MC (NCS) - Mike, Sandy Springs, BP

BP = Battery Power

EL = EchoLink

Comments:

KG5WU;

Reminder that the GA400 Bike Ride will be Sunday, June 29th

W4UOC;

Tom has officially passed the EC poition to Mike, K4LJG. We all thank Tom
for his work as EC for the past eight years and we all look forward to
continuing to work with Mike. Thank you, Mike, for accepting the EC poition.

Field Day, June 28th, SSPD trailer will be manned by Mike, N4MSS, and The Alpharetta Trailer will be manned by Jim, N4SEC. Other NFARES members will be supporting both trailers.

SET on Saturday, October 4h SET Captian this year will be K4LJG – K4LJG

K4LJG:

*Tech Chat Monday at* *8:30 PM on the 145.47 *repeater
and others of the NFARL system. Also, don't forget the CHAT ROOM
which can be reached at *nfarl.dodropin.org <http://nfarl.dodropin.org/>* The chat room is much
fun and where folks search and post links. Can't reach the repeaters?
Then fire up your *Echolink *and connect to node *355800 *to join in.

We welcome all NFARES members to be NCS at least once per year. The Net Script can be found at nfares.org.

The next scheduled net will be Sunday, June 22nd This net closed at 9:01 PM.

73,

Mike - AD4MC

404-981-8624

# 2152. Re: W4UOC retirement as North Fulton ARES Emergency Coordinator

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2014-06-16 16:48:05 UTC
From: Chuck Catledge
Topic: 2146  Message: 2152

Tom,

Thanks for an outstanding run at the NFARES EC helm! The organization appears to be in excellent shape with a host of old and new talent participating as never before in my memory...largely due to your leadership. I hope you will stick around to help out...even if in the background.

Mike, congratulations on your new appointment!! You have a great team of folks to assist you.

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Chuck, AE4CW

# 2153. IMPORTANT - Date Change on City of Roswell FD Proclamation, now June 24.

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2014-06-16 23:09:39 UTC
From: Jim Paine
Topic: 2153  Message: 2153

Important Update:

The City of Roswell has rescheduled their City Council Meeting from Monday the 23rd to Tuesday the 24th at 7:00 PM. This is when our Field Day Proclamation will be presented by Mayor Woods.

Original notice, but with the new date:

The City of Roswell is proclaiming the week of June 23 as "Amateur Radio Week in Roswell". A Proclamation will be read by the Mayor at the City Council meeting Tuesday June 24 at 7:00 pm, Roswell City Hall. The proclamation will recognize the benefits of amateur radio to the community, the accomplishments of NFARL, and the Field Day event held in Roswell June 28 and 29.

All amateur radio operators, friends and family are encouraged to attend. The presentation will be a the beginning of the meeting and we should be done in about 20 minutes. The printed Proclamation will be presented to NFARL by Mayor Woods after the reading. Roswell has long supported NFARL by offering the free use of one of their parks for Field Day.

Please plan to arrive at Roswell City Hall at about 6:45 PM. The Council Chambers are upstairs.

Jim Paine - N4SEC

# 2154. NFARES Field Day messages in NTS Radiogram format

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2014-06-21 12:21:20 UTC
From: Mike Cohen
Topic: 2154  Message: 2154
Attachments: 1 described; binary payloads are missing from this source WARC

NFARES Team,

NFARES will coordinate the sending and receiving of digital NTS Radiogram formatted messages from the NFARL Field Day site at the Waller Park Extension in Roswell.

You can join us for this part of the event even if you are not at the Park as long as you are in range of the 147.06 (+) 100Hz repeater and are able to use Flmsg, MT63-2KL, Radiogram Forms for these digital messages. Call us on the repeater using voice any time between 2:00 PM and 7:00 PM on Saturday, June 28th and we will send you radiogram messages, timing them to coordinate with the other transmitting functions of the NFARL "Swing" station, K4JJ, You can also send us your digital radiogram(s). Address your radiograms to K4JJ.

To familiarize yourself with the proper way to format NTS Radiogram messages, please review the attached ARRL file.

Note that this will be more than just a fun exercise. It will help NFARES members practice using the NTS Radiogram messaging format... and... you will be helping NFARL earn an extra 100 bonus points for the Field Day event.

Let me know if you have any questions.

"See you" on the radio on Field Day.

73,
Mike - AD4MC

Mike Cohen
(404) 981-8624

# 2155. North Fulton ARES Net, 6/22/2014, 8:30 pm

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2014-06-21 20:31:04 UTC
From: nfares@yahoogroups.com
Topic: 2155  Message: 2155

Reminder from: nfares Yahoo Group
http://groups.yahoo.com/group/nfares/cal

North Fulton ARES Net
Sunday June 22, 2014
8:30 pm - 9:00 pm
(GMT+00:00)
Location: 147.060( ) NFARL repeater (PL 100)

Notes:
Everyone is welcome to check into this net whether a NFARES member or not. Learn some techniques for how to handle emergency situations.

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# 2156. Reminder - City of Roswell Proclamation Tuesday June 24

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2014-06-23 11:07:53 UTC
From: Jim Paine
Topic: 2156  Message: 2156

The City of Roswell is proclaiming this week as "Amateur Radio Week in Roswell". A Proclamation will be read by the Mayor at the City Council meeting Tuesday June 24 at 7:00 pm, Roswell City Hall. The proclamation will recognize the benefits of amateur radio to the community, the accomplishments of NFARL, and the Field Day event held in Roswell June 28 and 29.

All amateur radio operators, friends and family are encouraged to attend. The presentation will be a the beginning of the meeting and we should be done in about 20 to 30 minutes. The printed Proclamation will be presented to NFARL by Mayor Woods after the reading. Roswell has long supported NFARL by offering the free use of their park for Field Day.

Please plan to arrive at Roswell City Hall at about 6:45 PM Tuesday. The Council Chambers are upstairs.

Jim Paine - N4SEC

# 2157. //WL2K R/ North Fulton Ares Net Report 6/22/14

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2014-06-23 16:52:39 UTC
From: Captain
Topic: 2157 Message: 2157

North Fulton Area Net
Sunday 22 June 2014

No. Call Sign Name Town Power

1 AK4NA (NC) Garry Roswell Battery
2 K4LJG (ANC) Mike E. Cobb Battery
3 KK4PCR Grant Echolink
4 KK4USI Gerry Alpharetta Battery
5 W4UOC Tom Sandy Springs Battery
6 AK4EX Stuart Sandy Springs Battery
7 KK4VHZ Tim Roswell Battery
8 KK4YDQ Mike Alpharetta Battery
9 N4SEC Jim Alpharetta Battery
10 KI4DSO George Norcross Commercial
11 KK4KKF Stu Cumming Commercial
12 KG5WU Wayne Sandy Springs Battery
13 AD4MC Mike Sandy Springs Battery
14 WO4MW Mark Echolink
15 W2AFL Bill Echolink
16 KK4TSJ Charles Smyrna Battery

Net Closed at 9:04 PM with 16 stations signed in.

# 2158. New power source

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2014-06-25 14:55:58 UTC
From: Mike Cohen
Topic: 2158  Message: 2158

Several of us have invested in solar power panels for our emergency power source. Maybe we should reconsider and each get one of these...

http://motherboard.vice.com/read/a-2250-foot-tall-tower-in-new-mexico-will-usher-in-the-future-of-wind-energy?utm_source=howtogeek&utm_medium=email&utm_campaign=newsletter

73,
Mike - AD4MC

Mike Cohen
(404) 981-8624

# 2159. ARRL Special 2014 Field Day Bulletin and Propagation Forecast Bulletin ARLXØ11 and ARLPØ26

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2014-06-28 01:42:20 UTC
From: Mike Cohen
Topic: 2159  Message: 2159
Attachments: 1 described; binary payloads are missing from this source WARC

John,

Attached is a file with the ARRL Special 2014 Field Day Bulletin and Propagation Forecast Bulletin ARLXØ11 and ARLPØ26 that was copied starting at 9:01 PM local time on 14.095.

The file contents should qualify for:

*7.3.9. W1AW Bulletin: *100 bonus points for copying the special Field Day bulletin transmitted
by W1AW (or K6KPH) during its operating schedule during the Field Day weekend (listed in this
rules announcement). An accurate copy of the message is required to be included in your Field
Day submission. (Note: The Field Day bulletin must be copied via amateur radio. It will not be
included in Internet bulletins sent out from Headquarters and will not be posted to Internet BBS
sites.) Available to all Classes.

NFARES will work to earn an additional 200 bonus points for:

*7.3.5. Message Origination to Section Manager:* 100 bonus points for origination of a National
Traffic System (NTS) style formal message to the ARRL Section Manager or Section Emergency
Coordinator by your group from its site. You should include the club name, number of
participants, Field Day location, and number of ARES operators involved with your station. The
message must be transmitted during the Field Day period and a fully serviced copy of it must be
included in your submission, in standard ARRL NTS format, or no credit will be given. The
Section Manager message is separate from the messages handled in Rule 7.3.6. and may not be
claimed for bonus points under that rule. Available to all Classes.

and

*7.3.6. Message Handling:* 10 points for each formal NTS style originated, relayed or received and
delivered during the Field Day period, up to a maximum of 100 points (ten messages). Properly

serviced copies of each message must be included with the Field Day report.
The message to the
ARRL SM or SEC under Rule 7.3.5. does not count towards the total of 10 for
this bonus.
Available to all Classes. All NTS messages claimed for bonus points must
leave or enter the
site via amateur radio RF.

Good luck to NFARL for the entire 2014 Field Day Event.

73,
Mike - AD4MC

Mike Cohen
(404) 981-8624

# 2160. North Fulton ARES Net, 6/29/2014, 8:30 pm

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2014-06-28 20:31:12 UTC
From: nfares@yahoogroups.com
Topic: 2160  Message: 2160

Reminder from: nfares Yahoo Group
http://groups.yahoo.com/group/nfares/cal

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Sunday June 29, 2014
8:30 pm - 9:00 pm
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# 2161. Field Day 3

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2014-06-29 01:14:16 UTC
From: W4UOC
Topic: 2161  Message: 2161
Attachments: 4 described; binary payloads are missing from this source WARC

Sent from my iPhone

# 2162. Field Day 1

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2014-06-29 01:17:00 UTC
From: W4UOC
Topic: 2162  Message: 2162
Attachments: 4 described; binary payloads are missing from this source WARC

Sent from my iPhone

# 2163. Field Day 2014

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2014-06-29 20:37:04 UTC
From: Grant Register
Topic: 2163  Message: 2163

I think Field Day was very successful, although this is only my second year, so maybe I'm not the best judge. I think we got the 300 points for the club, however that is unofficial. AD4MC will give us the official results after collaboration with the NFARL group.

Mike Stark was very helpful with the loan and setup of the Sandy Springs Command Trailer and he is also a patient man. The Alpharetta trailer was also an impressive piece of equipment with the ability to interconnect communications to suit the situation. Thanks to N4SEC for setting that up.

I want to thank everyone for their help. All the club meetings, discussions, planning and testing is what makes it happen.

I will be net control for tonight's net.

KK4PCR-Grant

Sent from my iPad Grant Register

# 2164. Photo

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2014-06-29 20:43:33 UTC
From: Grant Register
Topic: 2164  Message: 2164
Attachments: 1 described; binary payloads are missing from this source WARC

Sent from my iPad Grant Register

# 2165. NFARES Support for the Sandy Springs Fireworks on Saturday, July 5, 2014

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2014-06-30 02:41:58 UTC
From: Mike Cohen
Topic: 2165  Message: 2165

NFARES Team,

According to Mark Duke, SSFD Deputy Chief, the plans to set up ham radio support for the fireworks display on July 5th have not yet been finalized. Mark will be sending me the final plans as soon as they are complete and I will forward them to you. (Including parking passes and specific parking locations)

This part will most likely remain the same: Last year, we met met at 5:30 PM at the CERT trailer located on the green in front of the King and Queen building at The Concourse in Sandy Springs. We then got a safety review with the Sandy Springs Police and Fire Departments and were given our final location assignments.

Here is the public info:
http://www.sandyspringsga.org/Fireworks

Our current list of volunteers includes:
Bill Heatherly W2ASL
Darren Nelsen K4DMN
James Vaught KK4IZN
Fred Akley KK4JYO
Tim Romashko KK4VHZ
Stu Mitchell KK4KKF
Wayne Chapman KG5WU
Mike Cohen AD4MC

We can certainly use more volunteers and we can buddy up at each of the assigned locations, so let me know if you want to participate.

One more point: This is a tough assignment....at least for me it was last year. Our task is to be stationed on the rooftops of the buildings in the area of the fireworks display to spot and report by radio (*146.49, simplex, SS-1*) any out-of-blast-area hot embers that could start fires when they land on the ground or other buildings. What make this tough is that when everyone else is looking up at the fireworks, we are supposed to be looking down. I must admit that I couldn't help myself from looking up at the fantastic show. That's why it would be good to have enough spotters at each location so that the task can be alternately shared with one (or more) looking down while another is "allowed" to look up. (Of course, SSFD promised not to repeat last year's bombarding of Bill, W2ASL, and his wife when they were assigning to be in the actual blast area!!)

As many of us have been experiencing lately, ham radio support for public service events is a lot of fun. Well...helping with a fireworks show

really is a *super* lot of fun.

More info to follow "soon"...

73,
Mike - AD4MC

Mike Cohen
(404) 981-8624

# 2166. Re: [nfares] NFARES Support for the Sandy Springs Fireworks on Saturday, July 5, 2014

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2014-06-30 11:14:32 UTC
From: Michael Birmingham
Topic: 2165  Message: 2166

I expect to be in town so you can add me to the list. Mike, K4LJG

On Jun 29, 2014, at 10:41 PM, Mike Cohen ad4mc.mike@... [nfares] <nfares-noreply@yahoogroups.com> wrote:

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# 2167. NFARES Sunday Night Net, June 29, 2014

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2014-07-01 12:40:09 UTC
From: Mike Cohen
Topic: 2167  Message: 2167

Forwarded on behalf of KK4PCR:

*Call Sign Name Location Power Source*

*K4LJG MIKE EAST COBB COMMERCIAL ANCS, EC*

W4UOC TOM SANDY SPRINGS BATTERY

N4MSS MIKE HOLLY SPRINGS COMMERCIAL

KK4IZN JAMES BRANDON HALL BATTERY

KG5WU WAYNE SANDY SPRINGS BATTERY

KK4YDQ MIKE ALPHARETTA BATTERY

K1OGR JASON S. FORSYTH BATTERY

W4IEN ROBIN GWINNETT BATTERY

KK4TSJ CHARLES SMYRNA BATTERY

WO4MW MARK SANDY SPRINGS COMMERCIAL

WB6LPY KEN CANTON BATTERY

KK4VHZ TIM MOBILE BATTERY

N4OKN WILL MOBILE BATTERY

N4SEC JIM ALPHARETTA BATTERY

KK4JYO FRED ROSWELL BATTERY

KK4USI JERRY NORTH FULTON BATTERY

W2ASL BILL ALPHARETTA BATTERY

AD4MC MIKE SANDY SPRINGS BATTERY

AK4EX STUART SANDY SPRINGS BATTERY

K4LJG MIKE EAST COBB COMMERCIAL

KI4DSO GEORGE NORCROSS COMMERCIAL

KK4KKF STU CUMMING COMMERCIAL

KE4EM BOB ROSWELL COMMERCIAL

*KK4PCR GRANT SANDY SPRINGS COMMERCIAL NCS*

ANNOUNCEMENTS

The title of Emergency Coordinator was passed from W4UOC to K4LJG and much thanks and praise was given to Tom Koch for the leadership over the passed 8 years.

Field Day was a huge success and it seems we made a very good showing with our team. More information will be forthcoming from AD4MC on the official results of Field Day.

73!

Net Control KK4PCR - GRANT

# 2168. Re: NFARES Support for the Sandy Springs Fireworks on Saturday, July 5, 2014

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2014-07-01 20:22:00 UTC
From: Mike Cohen
Topic: 2165  Message: 2168

Hey Wayne,

Still waiting to get an update, but if they still have "Incident Commander:Daryl Smith Building 4, 2nd Floor (I25)", would you like to be indoors again or be outside this time?

73,
Mike - AD4MC

Mike Cohen
(404) 981-8624

On Sun, Jun 29, 2014 at 10:41 PM, Mike Cohen <ad4mc.mike@...> wrote:

> NFARES Team,
>
> According to Mark Duke, SSFD Deputy Chief, the plans to set up ham radio
> support for the fireworks display on July 5th have not yet been finalized.
> Mark will be sending me the final plans as soon as they are complete and I
> will forward them to you. (Including parking passes and specific parking
> locations)
>
> This part will most likely remain the same: Last year, we met met at 5:30
> PM at the CERT trailer located on the green in front of the King and Queen
> building at The Concourse in Sandy Springs. We then got a safety review
> with the Sandy Springs Police and Fire Departments and were given our final
> location assignments.
>
> Here is the public info:
> http://www.sandyspringsga.org/Fireworks
>
>
> Our current list of volunteers includes:
> Bill Heatherly W2ASL
> Darren Nelsen K4DMN
> James Vaught KK4IZN
> Fred Akley KK4JYO
> Tim Romashko KK4VHZ
> Stu Mitchell KK4KKF
> Wayne Chapman KG5WU
> Mike Cohen AD4MC
>
> We can certainly use more volunteers and we can buddy up at each of the
> assigned locations, so let me know if you want to participate.
>

> One more point: This is a tough assignment....at least for me it was last
> year. Our task is to be stationed on the rooftops of the buildings in the
> area of the fireworks display to spot and report by radio (*146.49,
> simplex, SS-1*) any out-of-blast-area hot embers that could start fires
> when they land on the ground or other buildings. What make this tough is
> that when everyone else is looking up at the fireworks, we are supposed to
> be looking down. I must admit that I couldn't help myself from looking up
> at the fantastic show. That's why it would be good to have enough spotters
> at each location so that the task can be alternately shared with one (or
> more) looking down while another is "allowed" to look up. (Of course, SSFD
> promised not to repeat last year's bombarding of Bill, W2ASL, and his wife
> when they were assigning to be in the actual blast area!!)
>
> As many of us have been experiencing lately, ham radio support for public
> service events is a lot of fun. Well...helping with a fireworks show
> really is a *super* lot of fun.
>
> More info to follow "soon"...
>
> 73,
> Mike - AD4MC
>
> Mike Cohen
> (404) 981-8624
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>

# 2169. Fwd: How to put a dipole line over a lamp post

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2014-07-03 12:58:29 UTC
From: W4UOC
Topic: 2169  Message: 2169

>
>
> How to put a dipole line over a lamp post.
> LVRAC Field Day 2014
>
> LVRAC Field Day 2014
> Getting a little help from a drone putting up our dipole antenna
> View on www.youtube.com
> Preview by Yahoo
>
>
> Reply via web post • Reply to sender • Reply to group • Start a New Topic •
> • Privacy • Unsubscrib

# 2170. North Fulton ARES Net, 7/6/2014, 8:30 pm

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2014-07-05 20:31:04 UTC
From: nfares@yahoogroups.com
Topic: 2170  Message: 2170

Reminder from: nfares Yahoo Group
http://groups.yahoo.com/group/nfares/cal

North Fulton ARES Net
Sunday July 6, 2014
8:30 pm - 9:00 pm
(GMT+00:00)
Location: 147.060( ) NFARL repeater (PL 100)

Notes:
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# 2171. Metro Atlanta ARES VHF Net today 4:00 p.m.

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2014-07-06 18:51:18 UTC
From: w4uoc@...
Topic: 2171  Message: 2171

After 2 trips to Mount Oglethorpe today (round trip 110 miles, 220 total), I have placed a Kenwood TKR750 repeater in service as back up to the Motorola Quantar as it is not passing audio.

Therefore the Metro ARES Net will be called on the 145.430, minus offset, tone 107.2hz at 4pm on Sunday, July 6th. Cherokee ARES EC, Bob Johnston, KK4LAC will be NCS. See you guys on the net.

Thanks,

Jim Millsap-WB4NWS
DEC-Metro Atlanta District ARES
770-355-0480 (c)

# 2172. North Fulton ARES Meeting, 7/8/2014, 7:00 pm

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2014-07-06 19:01:04 UTC
From: nfares@yahoogroups.com
Topic: 2172  Message: 2172

Reminder from: nfares Yahoo Group
http://groups.yahoo.com/group/nfares/cal

North Fulton ARES Meeting
Tuesday July 8, 2014
7:00 pm - 9:00 pm
(GMT+00:00)
Location: Brandon Hall School - 1701 Brandon Hall Drive Sandy Springs, GA 30350

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# 2173. //WL2K R/ NFARES Net Report for 7-6-2014

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2014-07-07 01:17:30 UTC
From: <swilliams2549@...>
Topic: 2173  Message: 2173

The following operators checked in to the NFARES July 6, 2014 net:

K4LJG Mike, EC for North Fulton, E. Cobb via EL

KK4PCR Grant, Laurens Co via EL

KK4USI Gerry, Alpharetta, BP

N4SEC Jim, Alpharetta, BP

KG5WU Wayne, Sandy Springs, BP

KK4VHC Tim, Roswell, BP

KKRJYO Fred (ANCS) , Roswell, BP

KK4YDQ Mike, Alpharetta, BP

WB6LPY Ken, Canton, BP

KK4TSJ Charles, Smyrna, BP

KK4KKF Stu – Cumming, CP

KJ4CQJ Elliott – Doraville, CP

W4UOC Tom, Elliay via EL

WO4MW Mark, Atlanta via EL

AK4EX Stuart (NCS) – Sandy Springs, CP

Legend:

BP-Battery Power

CP-Commercial Power

EL – EchoLink

NCS – Net Control Station

ANCS – Alternate Net Control Station

Net closed at approximately 8:56pm local time.

There were 15 Check-ins, including the NCS, during the NFARES 07/06/2014 net. The next scheduled net will be Sunday, July 13, 2014 at 8:30 p.m. local time.

Thanks to all who checked in this evening and 73’s.

Stuart, AK4EX

Sent from Windows Mail

# 2174. Fwd: Dinner Tuesday

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2014-07-07 01:50:02 UTC
From: Mike Cohen
Topic: 2174  Message: 2174

Forwarded on behalf of James Vaught, KK4IZN:

---------- Forwarded message ----------
From: James Vaught <jbv54@...>
Date: Sun, Jul 6, 2014 at 7:05 PM
Subject: Dinner Tuesday
To: "ad4mc.mike@..." <ad4mc.mike@...>

Please let the folks know that dinner will be at 5:30 Tuesday evening.
Also please remind them to bring exact change $8.00 for the meal. If they
want to arrive a few minutes early that would be fine for them to go
through the line before the kids arrive at 5:30.
73,
James KK4IZN

James Vaught
P.O. Box 889191
Atlanta, Georgia 30356
jbv54@...

# 2175. North Fulton ARES Net, 7/13/2014, 8:30 pm

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2014-07-12 20:31:06 UTC
From: nfares@yahoogroups.com
Topic: 2175  Message: 2175

Reminder from: nfares Yahoo Group
http://groups.yahoo.com/group/nfares/cal

North Fulton ARES Net
Sunday July 13, 2014
8:30 pm - 9:00 pm
(GMT+00:00)
Location: 147.060( ) NFARL repeater (PL 100)

Notes:
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# 2176. NFARES 2-meter net, Sunday, July 13, 2014

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2014-07-14 01:28:29 UTC
From: Mike Cohen
Topic: 2176  Message: 2176

We had 16 check-ins on the NFARES 2-meter net, Sunday, July 13, 2014

K4LJG (EC) – Mike, E. Cobb, EL

KG5WU (ANCS) – Wayne, Sandy Springs, BP

N4SEC – Jim, Venice, FL, EL, BP,

KK4KKF – Stu, Birmingham, AL, EL

KK4USI – Gerry, Alpharetta, BP

W4UOC – Tom, Sandy Springs, Cross Band, BP

AK4NA – Garry, Roswell, BP

W2ASL – Bill, Alpharetta, BP

AK4EX – Stuart, Sandy Springs, BP

KK4JYO – Fred, Roswell, BP

KK4YDQ – Mike, Alpharetta, BP

AK4TL - Clyde, Dunwoody, Mobile

KJ4CQJ – Elliott, Doraville

WB6LPY – Ken, Canton, BP

K4AWF – Tony, San Destin, FL, EL

AD4MC (NCS) - Mike, Sandy Springs, BP

BP = Battery Power

EL = EchoLink

Comments:

W2ASL suggested that weekly announcements for net should also include our alternate frequency. {AD4MC: Change has already been made for all future announcement.}

Comments were also made to try holding some nets on either 145.470 or 443.150. This can be an open discussion at future meetings or on future nets.

The 2014 NFARES SET will be on Saturday, October 4th. Our SET Captain this year is Mike - K4LJG

*Tech Chat Monday at* *8:30 PM on the 145.47 *repeater. Also, don't forget the CHAT ROOM
which can be reached at *nfarl.dodropin.org <http://nfarl.dodropin.org/>* The chat room is much
fun and where folks search and post links. Can't reach the repeaters?
Then fire up your *Echolink *and connect to node *355800 *to join in.

We welcome all NFARES members to be NCS at least once per year. The Net Script can be found at nfares.org.

The next scheduled net will be Sunday, July 20nd This net closed at 8:53 PM.

73,

Mike - AD4MC

404-981-8624

# 2177. 2014 ARES SET

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2014-07-18 12:03:33 UTC
From: birmham@...
Topic: 2177  Message: 2177

All NFARES & NFARL members,

We are starting to plan for our 2014 NFARES SET (Simulated Emergency Test), which is scheduled for Saturday, October 4, 2014, 9:00-2:00 PM. We sure would like to have you join us this year. All hams are welcome. You don't need to be an ARES member or be experienced in emergency communications.
A special welcome goes out to newly licensed hams!
Our goal is to address the strengths and weaknesses of last year's SET and to again improve our performance this year. Yes, we had a great SET last year, but we can certainly improve.
Here is the link to ARRL SET information from last year and to a file we will use for our 2014 SET planning:
https://docs.google.com/spreadsheet/ccc?key=0Ah8TgYV27SbEdEp6a3dPVERDTVBjNkhINjVVT3FERHc&usp=sharing_eol https://docs.google.com/spreadsheet/ccc?key=0Ah8TgYV27SbEdEp6a3dPVERDTVBjNkhINjVVT3FERHc&usp=sharing_eol
This file will be continually updated for your review so you will see the latest version whenever you are viewing the link. The volunteer info shown today is from the actual 2013 SET.
Let me know if you would like to sign up for the same or different location as last year or if you would like to sign up for the first time at any location. If this is your first time, we can team you up with an experienced SET volunteer.
We'll discuss our plans by e-mail, at our next NFARES & NFARL meetings and on our Sunday night NFARES 8:30 PM nets, 147.06 (+) PL 100.0Hz. Please let us know by replying to this e-mail or directly to Mike – K4LJG (mwbirmingham@gmail.com mailto:mwbirmingham@gmail.com) if you are interested in being part of our 2014 SET program. All locations are available plus any new incident or shelter sites that you would like to create.
We know that it is too early for many of you to make a firm commitment, but it is not too soon for us to start planning.
Thanks from your 2014 NFARES SET Planning Team.
73,

Mike – K4LJG
404-219-7433

# 2178. North Fulton ARES Net, 7/20/2014, 8:30 pm

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2014-07-19 20:31:15 UTC
From: nfares@yahoogroups.com
Topic: 2178  Message: 2178

Reminder from: nfares Yahoo Group
http://groups.yahoo.com/group/nfares/cal

North Fulton ARES Net
Sunday July 20, 2014
8:30 pm - 9:00 pm
All Day
Location: 147.060( ) NFARL repeater (PL 100), Alternate: 145.470(-) (PL 100)

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# 2179. New file uploaded to nfares

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2014-07-20 21:33:47 UTC
From: nfares@yahoogroups.com
Topic: 201  Message: 2179

Hello,

This email message is a notification to let you know that
a file has been uploaded to the Files area of the nfares
group.

File : /FLDIGI/FLDIGI Instructions rev 4-27-2014.pdf
Uploaded by : mike_ad4mc <ad4mc.mike@...>
Description :

You can access this file at the URL:
https://groups.yahoo.com/neo/groups/nfares/files/FLDIGI/FLDIGI%20Instructions%20rev%204-27-2014.pdf

To learn more about file sharing for your group, please visit:
https://help.yahoo.com/kb/index?page=content&y=PROD_GRPS&locale=en_US&id=SLN15398

Regards,

mike_ad4mc <ad4mc.mike@...>

# 2180. Links for the 2014 ARES SET

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2014-07-21 11:32:28 UTC
From: birmham@...
Topic: 2180  Message: 2180

These are the links for the upcoming SET in October.

NFARES 2014 SET https://docs.google.com/spreadsheet/ccc?key=0Ah8TgYV27SbEdEp6a3dPVERDTVBjNkhINjVVT3FERHc&usp=sharing_eol#gid=0
2013 NFARES SET Review
https://docs.google.com/document/d/1MoCBUPi6wgXrtaY7OeictPEXPIk3BbjkQvA8SgK4XZg/edit
Fldigi Instructions
https://drive.google.com/file/d/0Bx8TgYV27SbEMGNjVmlxRmw5QlE/edit?usp=sharing

Mike, K4LJG

# 2181. NFARES COOKOUT AT THE KOCHS

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2014-07-21 17:58:23 UTC
From: w4uoc@...
Topic: 2181  Message: 2181

I have been trying to set up a date for the NFARES Cook Out at our home and I'm looking at the 4th Tuesday in August, or August 26th starting at 7:00 p.m..

I'd be interested in how this date might work for you and if I get enough positive responses I'll set it up for that date. I ran into some conflicts with the previous date which was 19th due to a conflict with NFAREL meeting.

The pool should be open so come prepared if you want to swim.

I'll provide Brauts, Burgers and chips. I would suggest maybe a few could bring refreshments and or a side dish. If your prepared and willing to bring either let me know or maybe a couple of you could go together on either of those extras.

Wives are also invited but I do need a pretty accurate indication of your attendance to include your guest or guests. I would appreciate at least a preliminary RSVP response by the end of July.

73

Tom Koch - W4UOC
8170 Habersham Waters Road
Sandy Springs, GA 30350
404-314-6109
_w4uoc@..._ (mailto:w4uoc@...)

# 2182. Fldigi/Flmsg Updates & Training, restarting Thursday, 8:00 PM on 147.06 (+) 100 Hz

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2014-07-23 00:11:19 UTC
From: Mike Cohen
Topic: 2182  Message: 2182

To all of you who are interested is using Fldigi/Flmsg,

Based on a question asked during Sunday night's NFARES net as to whether it is necessary to update to the latest versions of Fldigi and Flmsg, I responded that it was not required, but encouraged. Well, I'll clarify that a bit and say that it is *highly* encouraged. The Fldigi programming team has been doing a great job over the years improving the Fldigi suite including the addition of new forms, like Red Cross forms, for Flmsg. We should keep up with those latest improvements. It's a fairly easy and straightforward process to do the updates, except for one non-intuitive point, which is described on page 7, Item 16 of the latest instruction set:

*Fldigi Instructions 2014*
<https://docs.google.com/document/d/1_Hb5QLq2XpJpw3232tB7NT4MUyQZ8jQIxk_EMiKhEvo/edit>

*We will restart our digital training nets on Thursday at 8:00 PM using the 147.06 (+) PL 100 Hz repeater.*

Even if you have Fldigi/Flmsg installed, the upcoming training sessions will be a good review and will ease the update process.

For those of you who have never used Fldigi or Flmsg, here's some really good news...We have had a 100% success rate for getting volunteers set up and proficient in two to three training sessions...so we guarantee our training services. (I don't know what the guarantee is, but it's definitely guaranteed.)

73,

Mike - AD4MC

Mike Cohen

(404) 981-8624

# 2183. Fldigi/Flmsg Updates & Training, restarting Thursday, 8:00 PM on 147.06 (+) 100 Hz, 7/24/2014, 8:00 pm

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2014-07-23 20:02:13 UTC
From: nfares@yahoogroups.com
Topic: 2183  Message: 2183

Reminder from: nfares Yahoo Group
http://groups.yahoo.com/group/nfares/cal

Fldigi/Flmsg Updates & Training, restarting Thursday, 8:00 PM on 147.06 (+) 100 Hz
Thursday July 24, 2014
8:00 pm - 9:00 pm
All Day
Location: 147.06 ( ) 100 Hz

Notes:
To all of you who are interested is using Fldigi/Flmsg, Based on a question asked during Sunday night's NFARES net as to whether it is necessary to update to the latest versions of Fldigi and Flmsg, I responded that it was not required, but encouraged. Well, I'll clarify that a bit and say that it is highly encouraged. The Fldigi programming team has been doing a great job over the years improving the Fldigi suite including the addition of new forms, like Red Cross forms, for Flmsg. We should keep up with those latest improvements. It's a fairly easy and straightforward process to do the updates, except for one non-intuitive point, which is described on page 7, Item 16 of the latest instruction set: Fldigi Instructions 2014 We will restart our digital training nets on Thursday at 8:00 PM using the 147.06 (+) PL 100 Hz repeater. Even if you have Fldigi/Flmsg installed, the upcoming training sessions will be a good review and will ease the update process. For those of you who have never used Fldigi or Flmsg, here's some really good news...We have had a 100% success rate for getting volunteers set up and proficient in two to three training sessions...so we guarantee our training services. (I don't know what the guarantee is, but it's definitely guaranteed.) 73, Mike - AD4MC Mike Cohen (404) 981-8624

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# 2184. Officer Mike Stark - Accident

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2014-07-25 14:38:56 UTC
From: W4UOC
Topic: 2184  Message: 2184

> Subject: Woman charged with DUI, Sandy Springs officer injured in GA 400 - Atlanta News, Weather, Traffic, and Sports | FOX 5
>
>
> http://www.myfoxatlanta.com/story/26095389/officer-involved-accident-causes-delays-on-ga-400
>
>
> Sent from my iPhone

# 2185. Fldigi/Flmsg Updates & Training, Thursday, 8:00 PM on 147.06 (+) 100 Hz

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2014-07-25 16:03:49 UTC
From: Mike Cohen
Topic: 2185  Message: 2185

To all of you who are interested is using Fldigi/Flmsg,

On last night's Digital Training net, *all* checkins successfully sent and received both Fldigi and Flmsg transmissions, so we are still batting 1000 !!

Join us for the next digital training nets. No previous experience is required. We will start from the beginning on all future nets, so you can join us for the first time on any net,....but....the sooner the better.

*The next net will be on Thursday at 8:00 PM using the 147.06 (+) PL 100 Hz repeater.*

Let me know if you would prefer a night other than Thursday and, if enough of you would prefer a different night, we would consider moving to that night.

Here again is the link to *Fldigi Instructions 2014 <https://docs.google.com/document/d/1_Hb5QLq2XpJpw3232tB7NT4MUyQZ8jQIxk_EMiKhEvo/edit>*

73,
Mike - AD4MC

Mike Cohen
(404) 981-8624

On Tue, Jul 22, 2014 at 8:11 PM, Mike Cohen <ad4mc.mike@...> wrote:

> To all of you who are interested is using Fldigi/Flmsg,
>
> Based on a question asked during Sunday night's NFARES net as to whether
> it is necessary to update to the latest versions of Fldigi and Flmsg, I
> responded that it was not required, but encouraged. Well, I'll clarify
> that a bit and say that it is *highly* encouraged. The Fldigi
> programming team has been doing a great job over the years improving the
> Fldigi suite including the addition of new forms, like Red Cross forms, for
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> easy and straightforward process to do the updates, except for one
> non-intuitive point, which is described on page 7, Item 16 of the latest
> instruction set:
>
> *Fldigi Instructions 2014*
> <https://docs.google.com/document/d/1_Hb5QLq2XpJpw3232tB7NT4MUyQZ8jQIxk_EMiKhEvo/edit>
>
> *We will restart our digital training nets on Thursday at 8:00 PM using
> the 147.06 (+) PL 100 Hz repeater.*
>

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>
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> definitely guaranteed.)
>
> 73,
>
> Mike - AD4MC
>
> Mike Cohen
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> (404) 981-8624
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>

# 2186. Fwd: [nfares] Officer Mike Stark - N4MMS - NFARES

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2014-07-25 17:24:15 UTC
From: W4UOC
Topic: 2186  Message: 2186

Mike is the officer and ham who brought the SSPD command trailer to Field Day!

Sent from my iPad

Begin forwarded message:

> From: "W4UOC w4uoc@aol.com [nfares]" <nfares-noreply@yahoogroups.com>
> Date: July 25, 2014 at 10:38:56 AM EDT
> To: Mike Cohen <ad4mc.mike@...>, nfares <nfares@yahoogroups.com>, Jim Paine <jim_paine@...>
> Subject: [nfares] Officer Mike Stark - Accident
> Reply-To: W4UOC <w4uoc@...>
>
>
>> Subject: Woman charged with DUI, Sandy Springs officer injured in GA 400 - Atlanta News, Weather, Traffic, and Sports | FOX 5
>>
>>
>> http://www.myfoxatlanta.com/story/26095389/officer-involved-accident-causes-delays-on-ga-400
>>
>>
>> Sent from my iPhone
>
>

# 2187. Re: [nfarl] Fwd: [nfares] Officer Mike Stark - N4MMS - NFARES

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2014-07-26 00:17:51 UTC
From: Jim Stafford
Topic: 2186  Message: 2187

Oh my.  Glad he will recover but that leaves a lot of questions unanswered.

_____
From: "W4UOC w4uoc@... [nfarl]" <nfarl@yahoogroups.com>
To: nfarl@yahoogroups.com; nfares <nfares@yahoogroups.com>
Sent: Friday, July 25, 2014 1:24 PM
Subject: [nfarl] Fwd: [nfares] Officer Mike Stark - N4MMS - NFARES

Mike is the officer and ham who brought the SSPD command trailer to Field Day!

Sent from my iPad

Begin forwarded message:

From: "W4UOC w4uoc@... [nfares]" <nfares-noreply@yahoogroups.com>
>Date: July 25, 2014 at 10:38:56 AM EDT
>To: Mike Cohen <ad4mc.mike@...>, nfares <nfares@yahoogroups.com>, Jim Paine
<jim_paine@...>
>Subject: [nfares] Officer Mike Stark - Accident
>Reply-To: W4UOC <w4uoc@...>
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>
>Subject: Woman charged with DUI, Sandy Springs officer injured in GA 400 - Atlanta News,
Weather, Traffic, and Sports | FOX 5
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>>http://www.myfoxatlanta.com/story/26095389/officer-involved-accident-causes-delays-on-ga
-400
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>>
>>Sent from my iPhone

# 2188. Mike Stark N4MSS recovering after GA-400 crash

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2014-07-26 00:34:50 UTC
From: W4UOC
Topic: 2188  Message: 2188

I am doing alright. In some pain but relatively in good shape considering how hard I was hit. I am at home recovering. Will hopefully be released back to full duty in a week or so.

Thanks for the thoughts.

Mike Stark N4MSS

Sent from my iPad

# 2189. Fw: [nfarl] Fwd: [nfares] Officer Mike Stark - N4MMS - NFARES

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2014-07-26 00:43:39 UTC
From: Jim Stafford
Topic: 2189  Message: 2189

This just in from Mike.  Whew!  Close call.  Take care Mike.

jim

----- Forwarded Message -----
From: Mike Stark <stark148@...>
To: Jim Stafford <qrp@...>
Sent: Friday, July 25, 2014 8:27 PM
Subject: Re: [nfarl] Fwd: [nfares] Officer Mike Stark - N4MMS - NFARES

Thanks everyone for the well wishes for my accident. What happened was I was completing paperwork on a minor accident pulled over to the right of the emergency lane in the emergency pull off area on Ga 400 south at Northridge entrance. A driver veered over to the right and struck my car at a high rate of speed. No brakes, no warning, highway speed impact pushed my car from my parked position 130 feet from point of impact. I have various bumps bruises and pains. Very sore, but should recover.
The driver of the other car was charged with DUI drugs along with other traffic charges. I'm a bit irritated, however I am glad she hit me rather a car with kids in the back seat or an elderly person (s) that may have suffered much worse possibly debilitating injuries. I definitely had someone looking out for me this afternoon. —
On Jul 25, 2014 8:17 PM, "Jim Stafford qrp@... [nfares]" <nfares-noreply@yahoogroups.com> wrote:

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>
>Oh my.  Glad he will recover but that leaves a lot of questions unanswered.
>
> From: "W4UOC w4uoc@... [nfarl]" <nfarl@yahoogroups.com>
>To: nfarl@yahoogroups.com; nfares <nfares@yahoogroups.com>
>Sent: Friday, July 25, 2014 1:24 PM
>Subject: [nfarl] Fwd: [nfares] Officer Mike Stark - N4MMS - NFARES
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>
>Mike is the officer and ham who brought the SSPD command trailer to Field Day!
>
>Sent from my iPad
>
>Begin forwarded message:
>
>
>From: "W4UOC w4uoc@... [nfares]" <nfares-noreply@yahoogroups.com>
>>Date: July 25, 2014 at 10:38:56 AM EDT

>>To: Mike Cohen <ad4mc.mike@...>, nfares <nfares@yahoogroups.com>, Jim Paine <jim_paine@...>
>>Subject: [nfares] Officer Mike Stark - Accident
>>Reply-To: W4UOC <w4uoc@...>
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>>Subject: Woman charged with DUI, Sandy Springs officer injured in GA 400 - Atlanta News, Weather, Traffic, and Sports | FOX 5
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# 2190. accident

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2014-07-26 00:47:00 UTC
From: stark148@...
Topic: 2190  Message: 2190

Thanks everyone for the well wishes for my accident. What happened was I was completing paperwork on a minor accident pulled over to the right of the emergency lane in the emergency pull off area on Ga 400 south at Northridge entrance. A driver veered over to the right and struck my car at a high rate of speed. No brakes, no warning, highway speed impact pushed my car from my parked position 130 feet from point of impact. I have various bumps bruises and pains. Very sore, but should recover.

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mike stark
N4MSS

# 2191. Re: [nfares] accident

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2014-07-26 01:00:10 UTC
From: Michael Birmingham
Topic: 2190  Message: 2191

I am glad that you are doing well. Hope you recover quickly.

73,

Mike, K4LJG

On Jul 25, 2014, at 8:47 PM, stark148@... [nfares] <nfares@yahoogroups.com> wrote:

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> mike stark
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> N4MSS
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# 2192. Re: [nfares] accident

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2014-07-26 10:31:58 UTC
From: Cloud Nine
Topic: 2190  Message: 2192

Hello Mike,

I met you at the Field Day. I was sorry to hear about your accident, but glad it was "relatively" minor for you.

Hope you recover fully and soon.

Best regards,

'73

Stu
de KK4KKF

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mike stark

N4MSS

# 2193. Re: [nfares] accident

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2014-07-26 14:59:53 UTC
From: James Vaught
Topic: 2190  Message: 2193

Mike
I am so glad to hear you are doing better ! I also met you at Field Day and have included you in my prayers since we heard about the accident. It is a comfort knowing we have good folks like you as a police officers here in Sandy Springs !
I just cannot imagine such an accident despite the condition of the driver that hit you. Such actions should dictate removal of driving privileges for life.
Your positive attitude is commendable.

Hoping for a swift and full recovery.

73
James
KK4IZN

James Vaught
1701 Brandon Hall Drive
Atlanta, Georgia 30356
jbv54@...
404-408-9239

On Jul 26, 2014, at 6:31 AM, Cloud Nine cloudnine233@... [nfares] <nfares-noreply@yahoogroups.com> wrote:

>
> Hello Mike,
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> I met you at the Field Day. I was sorry to hear about your accident, but glad it was "relatively" minor for you.
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> Hope you recover fully and soon.
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> Best regards,
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> '73
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> Stu
> de KK4KKF
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> mike stark
>
> N4MSS
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# 2194. Date Change for the NFARES Cook-out at the Kochs August 12th.

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2014-07-28 01:38:13 UTC
From: w4uoc@...
Topic: 2194  Message: 2194

I have been trying to set up a date for the NFARES Cook Out at our home and have discovered some conflicts with the 4th Saturday in August. For that reason I am going to invite you to plan on August 12th the original date of our August meeting normally held at the Brandon Hall School. We will welcome you at 6:00 p.m.and start serving at 7:00 p.m.

This will be an adult only event but wives and or significant others are invited to attend.

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Wives and significant others are also invited but I do need a pretty accurate indication of your attendance to include your guest or guests. I would appreciate at least a preliminary RSVP response by the end of July.

73

Tom Koch - W4UOC
8170 Habersham Waters Road
Sandy Springs, GA 30350
404-314-6109
_w4uoc@..._ (mailto:w4uoc@...)

# 2195. 2014 0727 ARES NET

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2014-07-28 11:33:12 UTC
From: Michael Birmingham
Topic: 2195  Message: 2195

NFARL ARES Net July 27, 2014

NCS, EC K4LJG MIKE EAST COBB COMM PWR
ANCS AD4MC MIKE SANDY SPRINGS BATT
KK4PCR GRANT SANDY SPRINGS EL
N4MSS MIKE HOLLY SPRINGS EL
N4SEC JIM LAKE LANIER EL
KK4USI GERRY ALPHARETTA BATT
W4ULC TOM SANDY SPRINGS BATT
AK4EX STUART SANDY SPRINGS BATT
KK4JYO FRED ROSWELL BATT
KK4VHZ TIM ROSWELL BATT
W4QO JIM W ROSWELL BATT
N4BTA BRETT ALPHARETTA BATT
KK4KKF STU CUMMING COMM
WB6LPY KEN CANTON COMM
KE4PLW EVELYN DORALVILLE
KE4UXW TOM DORALVILLE
K4AWF TONY ALPHARETTA COMM
WO4MW MARK SANDY SPRINGS BATT
KM4DBI RON MILTON BATT

19 CHECKINS

NEXT MEETING ON AUGUST 12 WILL BE AT TOM’S HOUSE W4UOC
NEXT DIGITAL TRAINING WILL BE ON THURSDAY AT EIGHT O’CLOCK ON THE 147.06 REPEATERS
TECH TALK MONDAY AT EIGHT THIRTY
JIMMY, W4VRX SILENT KEY

NEXT NET AUGUST 2, 2014 AT 8:30
NET CLOSED AT 2003 LOCAL TIME

# 2196. For Sale - Kenwood 450-S HF Transceiver

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2014-07-28 15:38:35 UTC
From: w4uoc@...
Topic: 2196  Message: 2196
Attachments: 1 described; binary payloads are missing from this source WARC

I am selling my Kenwood 450SAT HF transceiver 160-10 meters with a built in antenna tuner and remote speaker. I have attached the specifications on this radio as show in Rigpix.com
Your welcome to check it out and put it on the air at my QTH. It requires a 20amp 12vdc power supply and I will include one with the package asking $500.00.

Tom Koch - W4UOC
404-314-6109
8170 Habersham Waters Road
Sandy Springs GA 30350\

SPECIFICATIONS
Type: Amateur HF transceiver Frequency range: TX: 10-160 m + WARC RX: 0.5-30 MHz Mode: AM/FM/SSB/CW RF Power output: Max 100 W Receiver system: N/A Sensitivity: N/A Selectivity: N/A Image rejection: N/A Voltage: 13.8 VDC Current drain: RX: ? A
TX: Max 20 A Impedance: 50 ohms, SO-239 Dimensions (W*H*D): 270*96*305 mm Weight: 7.5 Kg

# 2197. NFARES COOKOUT AUG 12TH - CONFIRMATIONS

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2014-07-28 16:17:18 UTC
From: w4uoc@...
Topic: 2197  Message: 2197

NFARES COOKOUT AUG 12,2014

NAME CALL # CONTRIBUTIONS

TOM KOCH W4UOC 2 BURGERS/BRAUTS
WAYNE CHAPMAN KG5WU 1
TIM LEMMON WK4U 1
MIKE BIRMINGHAM K4LJG 2

# 2198. Fldigi/Flmsg Updates & Training, Thursday, 8:00 PM on 147.06 (+) 100 Hz, 7/31/2014, 8:00 pm

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2014-07-30 20:01:28 UTC
From: nfares@yahoogroups.com
Topic: 2198  Message: 2198

Reminder from: nfares Yahoo Group
http://groups.yahoo.com/group/nfares/cal

Fldigi/Flmsg Updates & Training, Thursday, 8:00 PM on 147.06 (+) 100 Hz
Thursday July 31, 2014
8:00 pm - 9:00 pm
All Day
Location: 147.06 (Plus) 100 Hz

Notes:
To all of you who are interested is using Fldigi/Flmsg,

On our restart Digital Training net, all checkins successfully sent and received both Fldigi and Flmsg transmissions, so we are still batting 1000 !!

Join us for the next digital training nets. No previous experience is required. We will start from the beginning on all future nets, so you can join us for the first time on any net,....but....the sooner the better.

The next net will be on Thursday at 8:00 PM using the 147.06 (+) PL 100 Hz repeater.

Let me know if you would prefer a night other than Thursday and, if enough of you would prefer a different night, we would consider moving to that night.

73,
Mike - AD4MC

Mike Cohen
(404) 981-8624

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# 2199. Fldigi/Flmsg Updates & Training, Thursday, 8:00 PM on 147.06 (+) 100 Hz, 7/31/2014, 8:00 pm

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2014-07-31 19:01:40 UTC
From: nfares@yahoogroups.com
Topic: 2198  Message: 2199

Reminder from: nfares Yahoo Group
http://groups.yahoo.com/group/nfares/cal

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# 2200. 2014/08/03 Net Control

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2014-08-03 23:43:07 UTC
From: Cloud Nine
Topic: 2200  Message: 2200

Is there an NC for tonight?

Just checkin',

Stu
kk4kkf

# 2201. NFARES COOKOUT AUG 12TH - CONFIRMATIONS

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2014-08-04 14:50:43 UTC
From: w4uoc@...
Topic: 2197 Message: 2201

I need a pretty close estimate of those NFARES members and their guests that plan to join
us for a cookout at our home the evening of August 12, 2014 starting at 6:00 p.m with serving
starting at 7:00. We would also welcome some side dish or snacks/dips. I have indicated those
that have offered to bring something.

NFARES COOKOUT AUG 12,2014

NAME CALL # attending Side Dish
or Snack?

TOM KOCH W4UOC 2
BURGERS/BRAUTS
WAYNE CHAPMAN KG5WU 1
TIM LEMMON WK4U 1
MIKE BIRMINGHAM K4LJG 2
GRANT REGISTER KK4PCR 2
STUART WRIGHT AK4EX 2
JERRY WEBBER KK4USI 3 POTATO
SALAD
JAMES VAUGHT KK4IZN 1
FRED ACKLEY KK4JYO 1
STEVE KNITTLE KC4YBO 1

_____
From: W4UOC@...
To: nfares@yahoogroups.com
CC: w4uoc@..., swilliams2549@..., jbv54@...,
stark148@..., wcchapman@...
Sent: 7/28/2014 12:17:19 P.M. Eastern Daylight Time
Subj: NFARES COOKOUT AUG 12TH - CONFIRMATIONS

NFARES COOKOUT AUG 12,2014

NAME CALL # CONTRIBUTIONS

TOM KOCH W4UOC 2 BURGERS/BRAUTS
WAYNE CHAPMAN KG5WU 1
TIM LEMMON WK4U 1
MIKE BIRMINGHAM K4LJG 2

# 2202. NFARES MEMBER COOKOUT AUG 12, 2014

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2014-08-06 13:47:49 UTC
From: w4uoc@...
Topic: 2202  Message: 2202

NFARES COOKOUT AUG 12,2014

NAME CALL # attending
Side Dish or Snack?

TOM KOCH W4UOC 2
BURGERS/BRAUTS
WAYNE CHAPMAN KG5WU 1
TIM LEMMON WK4U 1
MIKE BIRMINGHAM K4LJG 2
GRANT REGISTER KK4PCR 2 Cookies for
Desert
STUART WRIGHT AK4EX 2
JERRY WEBBER KK4USI 3 POTATO
SALAD
JAMES VAUGHT KK4IZN 1
FRED AKLEY KK4JYO 1
STEVE KNITTLE KC4YBO 1
JIM PAINE N4SEC 1
DESERT (PIES)

We would welcome: softdrinks, snacks, adult beverages

Reservations need to be confirmed by the weekend prior to the cookout.

Our QTH
8170 Habersham Waters Road - From Brandon Hall Drive, First right on
Habersham Waters to Quiet Waters. Our driveway is on Quiet Waters. Park in the
street..
Sandy Springs, GA
404-314-6109

# 2203. Fldigi/Flmsg Updates & Training, Thursday, 8:00 PM on 147.06 (+) 100 Hz, 8/7/2014, 8:00 pm

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2014-08-06 20:01:17 UTC
From: nfares@yahoogroups.com
Topic: 2203  Message: 2203

Reminder from: nfares Yahoo Group
http://groups.yahoo.com/group/nfares/cal

Fldigi/Flmsg Updates & Training, Thursday, 8:00 PM on 147.06 (+) 100 Hz
Thursday August 7, 2014
8:00 pm - 9:00 pm
All Day
Location: 147.06 (Plus) 100 Hz

Notes:
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# 2204. Can anyone help

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2014-08-06 23:04:59 UTC
From: ke4qfb@...
Topic: 2204  Message: 2204

Does any one personaly know of a dentist that does pro-Bono work in the Atlanta area? Any help is appreciated.

# 2205. Fldigi/Flmsg Updates & Training, Thursday, 8:00 PM on 147.06 (+) 100 Hz, 8/7/2014, 8:00 pm

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2014-08-07 19:01:37 UTC
From: nfares@yahoogroups.com
Topic: 2203  Message: 2205

Reminder from: nfares Yahoo Group
http://groups.yahoo.com/group/nfares/cal

Fldigi/Flmsg Updates & Training, Thursday, 8:00 PM on 147.06 (+) 100 Hz
Thursday August 7, 2014
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All Day
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# 2206. This Sunday NCS volunteer

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2014-08-07 21:23:00 UTC
From: Cloud Nine
Topic: 2206  Message: 2206

Hey all,

I volunteer with the Red Cross in Athens (UGA) to provide radio comms as well as provide Red Cross basic triage during the home UGA football games. There are approx 100k folks in the stands during those games and we get mostly blisters and heat exhaustion, but it has gone to delivering babies, MI's, fractures, and of course simply "some folks having too much fun".... Anyway, each year we have to re-certify with the Red Cross and my best availability day to re-certify would be this Sunday, but I'm not sure I can make it back in time for the Net.

Next Sunday (17th), I believe I am traveling for work so that one is out.

So is there anyone who could pick up my NCS this Sunday?

Thanks,
Stu
KK4KKF

# 2207. NFARES Cook-out at the Kochs, 8/12/2014, 6:00 pm

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2014-08-10 18:01:00 UTC
From: nfares@yahoogroups.com
Topic: 2207  Message: 2207

Reminder from: nfares Yahoo Group
http://groups.yahoo.com/group/nfares/cal

NFARES Cook-out at the Kochs
Tuesday August 12, 2014
6:00 pm - 9:30 pm
All Day
Location: Tom Koch - W4UOC 8170 Habersham Waters Road Sandy Springs, GA 30350 404-314-6109 w4uoc@...

Notes:
I have been trying to set up a date for the NFARES Cook Out at our home and have discovered some conflicts with the 4th Saturday in August. For that reason I am going to invite you to plan on August 12th the original date of our August meeting normally held at the Brandon Hall School. We will welcome you at 6:00 p.m.and start serving at 7:00 p.m.

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# 2208. SKYWARN SPOTTER CLASS

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2014-08-11 11:37:50 UTC
From: birmham@...
Topic: 2208  Message: 2208

SKYWARN SPOTTER CLASS
9/23/14 7-9 PM
The Dekalb County Emergency Management Agency in conjunction with the National Weather Service have come together to offer the SKYWARN® storm spotter class. This Class is free of charge to all persons. SKYWARN® storm spotters are a valuable part of the first line of defense in the threat of severe weather. Storm spotters are trained to identify and report weather conditions during severe weather. This effort provides real on the ground data that forecasters can use to issue watches and warnings for local communities faster, and more efficiently. Persons encouraged to attend this training include amateur radio operators, law enforcement, fire department personnel, first responders, emergency dispatchers, emergency medical workers, emergency management personnel, public utility workers, private citizens, individuals affiliated with hospitals, teachers and administrators for schools and colleges, church groups and volunteer organizations, nursing home and elderly care administrators and staff. This is the rescheduled class from 2013 that was cancelled due to the federal furlough.
The SKYWARN® storm spotter training involves training in the following areas:
• Basics of thunderstorm development
• Fundamentals of storm structure
• Identifying potential severe weather features • Information to report to the National Weather Service • How to report information to the National Weather Service • Basic severe weather safety Registration Contact:
DENA GLOVER
Dekalb County Emergency Management Agency
Email: drglover@dekalbcountyga.gov
Phone: 770-270-0413
The class will be held at:
DeKalb County Fire Rescue Headquarters
1950 West Exchange Place

Tucker, Georgia 30084

# 2209. NFARES Cook-out at the Kochs, 8/12/2014, 6:00 pm

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2014-08-12 12:00:56 UTC
From: nfares@yahoogroups.com
Topic: 2207  Message: 2209

Reminder from: nfares Yahoo Group
http://groups.yahoo.com/group/nfares/cal

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All Day
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The pool should be open so come prepared if you want to swim.

I'll provide Brauts, Burgers and chips. I would suggest maybe a few could bring refreshments and or a side dish. If your prepared and willing to bring either let me know or maybe a couple of you could go together on either of those extras.

Wives and significant others are also invited but I do need a pretty accurate indication of your attendance to include your guest or guests. I would appreciate at least a preliminary RSVP response by the end of July.

73

Tom Koch - W4UOC
8170 Habersham Waters Road
Sandy Springs, GA 30350
404-314-6109
w4uoc@...

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# 2210. ARES Cook Out

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2014-08-13 02:16:50 UTC
From: birmham@...
Topic: 2210  Message: 2210

Thanks to Tom and his wife for another great cook out! I had a great time.

All the best to you both.

Mike, K4LJG

# 2211. NFARES NET 8-17-2014

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2014-08-18 13:46:31 UTC
From: Michael Birmingham
Topic: 2211  Message: 2211

NFARES NET 8-17-2014

K4LJG MIKE EAST COBB COMM EC OF NFARES AND NCS
AD4MC MIKE SANDY SPRINGS BATT NCS
KK4USI GERRY ROSWELL BATT
AK4NA GARRY ROSWELL COMM
W4UOC TOM SANDY SPRINGS BATT
KG5WU WAYNE SANDY SPRINGS BATT
KK4PCR GRANT SANDY SPRINGS COMM
AC4PA PAVEL ALPHARETTA BATT
W2ASL BILL ALPHARETTA BATT
AK4EX STUART SANDY SPRINGS BATT
N4SEC JIM ALPHARETTA BATT
KK4JYO FRED ROSWELL BATT
KK4VHZ TIM ROSWELL BATT
W4QO JIM W ROSWELL BATT
KK4YDQ MIKE ALPHARETTA BATT
N4EWT NEWT SMYNA BATT ATL ARES
KT4LS LEE PEACHTREE CORNERS BATT GWINNETT ARES
WO4MW MARK SANDY SPRINGS COMM
N4BFR JIM SMYNA BATT
WK4U TIM EAST COBB BATT
WB6LPY KEN CANTON COMM
KFUPO MIKE EL

WE HAD 22 CHECK INS

ANNOUNCEMENTS
HR4969 PLEASE SEND YOU LETTERS TO YOUR CONGRESSMEN
TECH TALK MONDAY NIGHT AT 8:30 ON THE 145.47 REPEATER

ENDED AT 9:04 LOCAL TIME
NEXT MEETING AT 8:30 ON 8-24-2014

# 2212. ARRL ARES letter just came in...

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2014-08-20 17:29:49 UTC
From: Jim Stafford
Topic: 2212  Message: 2212

In case you didn't receive it as one of your membership benefits:

http://www.arrl.org/ares-el?issue=2014-08-20

jim/w4qo

# 2213. FOR SALE

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2014-08-20 23:19:34 UTC
From: James Vaught
Topic: 2213  Message: 2213
Attachments: 2 described; binary payloads are missing from this source WARC

Please forward to any interested parties. Feel free to contact me with suggestions on how I may expedite sale of these two items.

Thanks a million James

James Vaught
P.O. Box 889191
Atlanta, Georgia 30356
jbv54@yahoo.com
404-408-9239

# 2214. //WL2K R/ North Fulton Amateur Radio Emergency Service Net - August 24, 2014

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2014-08-26 18:33:58 UTC
From: Grant Register
Topic: 2214  Message: 2214

| CALL | NAME | QTH | POWER | REMARKS |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| K4LJG | MIKE | ROSWELL | BATT | ECHOLINK |
| KM4UPI | ANNA MARIE | ALPHARETTA | BATT | ECHOLINK |
| KK4USI | JERRY | ALPHARETTA | BATT | |
| W2ASL | BILL | ALPHARETTA | BATT | |
| N4SEC | JIM | ALPHARETTA | BATT | |
| KK4JYO | FRED | ROSWELL | BATT | |
| AK4EX | STUART | SANDY SPRINGS | BATT | ALTERNATE NET CONTROL |
| KG5WU | WAYNE | SANDY SPRINGS | BATT | |
| AD4MC | MIKE | SANDY SPRINGS | BATT | |
| KK4VHZ | TIM | ROSWELL | BATT | |
| K4RGK | DARRYL | ROSWELL | BATT | |
| WB6LPY | KEN | HICKORY | COM | |
| K4AWF | TONY | ALPHARETTA | COM | |
| W4QO | JIM | WEST ROSWELL | BATT | |
| KK4PCR | GRANT | SANDY SPRINGS | COM | |
| WQ4MW | MIKE | SANDY SPRINGS | COM | |
| W4OO | BILL | N E FORSYTH | COM | |
| AK4TL | CLYDE | ROSWELL | MOBILE | |

SET SCHEDULED OCTOBER 4TH.

KK4PCR - GRANT
147.060

# 2215. Fwd: ARES and Your Family

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2014-08-27 15:56:12 UTC
From: Mike Cohen
Topic: 2215  Message: 2215

Good advice to all ARES members..

73,
Mike - AD4MC

Mike Cohen
(404) 981-8624

---------- Forwarded message ----------
From: ARRL Members Only Web site <memberlist@...>
Date: Wed, Aug 27, 2014 at 11:15 AM
Subject: ARES and Your Family
To: ad4mc.mike@...

The theme for the State ARES meeting on January 24, 2015, at GPSTC, will be family preparedness. Simply put, your obligation first and foremost is to your family and Ham communications in support of a crisis is secondary until your family is taken care of. Think of it as having “family preparedness” as one of the items in your go-bag that must be in place before you can use your go-bag.

We are proposing a morning breakout session devoted to helping the rest of your family feel better prepared to handle some of the consequences of a disaster. We will have an introduction to CERT where we will cover basics such as utility shutoff, use of a fire extinguisher, and basic first aid. An additional session will cover practical things you can do if the power is out and you want to shelter in place for a week or so. It will also cover the kind of supplies you should have on-hand before the run on bread and milk.

In order to help us plan for the space we might need, we need to know if there is some interest in the Practical Preparation Seminar and how many might attend. Please fill out the brief survey that follows.

Questions:
1. Would you bring your wife or significant other to the meeting? Y N

2. Would learning basics about preparation for an emergency be beneficial? Y N

3. If you have a teenager, would they be interested in learning about CERT and basic disaster preparation? Y N

4. Besides yourself, how many family members might attend the meeting? 1 2 3 More

Thanks for your input. Your S.E.C. David AG4ZR, and Lynn KN4YZ have worked with the Cabinet to develop this and we need your input.
73,
Gene

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ARRL Georgia Section
Section Manager: Eugene C Clark, W4AYK
w4ayk@...

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To unsubscribe from messages, go to:
http://p1k.arrl.org/oo/562a8f07351c1fd5bfb4648d270c51fc

# 2216. SKYWARN SPOTTER CLASS

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2014-09-03 00:16:49 UTC
From: Mike Cohen
Topic: 2208  Message: 2216

SKYWARN SPOTTER CLASS
9/23/14 7-9 PM
The Dekalb County Emergency Management Agency in conjunction with the National Weather Service have come together to offer the SKYWARN® storm spotter class. This Class is free of charge to all persons. SKYWARN® storm spotters are a valuable part of the first line of defense in the threat of severe weather. Storm spotters are trained to identify and report weather conditions during severe weather. This effort provides real on the ground data that forecasters can use to issue watches and warnings for local communities faster, and more efficiently. Persons encouraged to attend this training include amateur radio operators, law enforcement, fire department personnel, first responders, emergency dispatchers, emergency medical workers, emergency management personnel, public utility workers, private citizens, individuals affiliated with hospitals, teachers and administrators for schools and colleges, church groups and volunteer organizations, nursing home and elderly care administrators and staff. This is the rescheduled class from 2013 that was cancelled due to the federal furlough.
The SKYWARN® storm spotter training involves training in the following areas:
• Basics of thunderstorm development
• Fundamentals of storm structure
• Identifying potential severe weather features
• Information to report to the National Weather Service
• How to report information to the National Weather Service
• Basic severe weather safety
Registration Contact:
DENA GLOVER
Dekalb County Emergency Management Agency
Email: drglover@...
Phone: 770-270-0413
The class will be held at:
DeKalb County Fire Rescue Headquarters
1950 West Exchange Place
Tucker, Georgia 30084

# 2217. Atlanta 10 Miler & Half Marathon Radio Operators Needed

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2014-09-08 10:56:19 UTC
From: wcchapman@...
Topic: 2217  Message: 2217

The Atlanta Track Club is looking for Ham Radio Operators to volunteer for the following upcoming events:

Volunteer registration is open for the Atlanta 10 Miler (Sunday Oct 26, 2014) and Half Marathon (Thanksgiving Day Thursday Nov 27, 2014).

Here are the links to sign up:

10 Miler (Oct 26, 2014) <http://www.doitsports.com/ volunteer2/info.tcl?job_id= 54220354 http://www.doitsports.com/volunteer2/info.tcl?job_id=54220354>

Half Marathon (Nov 27, 2014) <http://www.doitsports.com/ volunteer2/info.tcl?job_id= 24976808 http://www.doitsports.com/volunteer2/info.tcl?job_id=24976808>

Ignore any banner references to 2013...

Assignments generally do not start before 0600 and do not end after 1130.

Any Questions contact David Ziskind KE4QLH.
david@davidziskind.com

# 2218. Sandy Springs Fire Stations - New power supplies for SET Oct 4th a.m.

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2014-09-16 18:13:18 UTC
From: w4uoc@...
Topic: 2218  Message: 2218

Mike Birmingham - K4LJG

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However, these radios will not have SignaLink USB interfaces but could be used acoustically. I would suggest that those who are willing to man these stations during the SET bring their own radios if the intend to handle digital MT-63 2000 traffic.

As far as the Sandy Springs and Johns Creek stations involvement I would like to know who will be assigned to these stations so that I can communicate this information with the Fire Chiefs at each station at least one week prior to the SET on Oct 4th.

I am willing to coordinate our public safety support activities with those jurisdictions that are normally involved with ChatComm-911.

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Sandy Springs FS#2 -

Sandy Springs FS#3 -

Sandy Springs FS#4 -

Johns Creek FS-61 -

Johns Creek FS 62 -

Johns Creek FS 63-

North Side Hospital - Wayne Chapman KG5WU

Emory Johns Creek Hospital -

# 2219. SKYWARN SPOTTER CLASS, 9/23/2014, 7:00 pm

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2014-09-16 19:01:05 UTC
From: nfares@yahoogroups.com
Topic: 2219  Message: 2219

Reminder from: nfares Yahoo Group
http://groups.yahoo.com/group/nfares/cal

SKYWARN SPOTTER CLASS
Tuesday September 23, 2014
7:00 pm - 9:00 pm
All Day
Location: The class will be held at: DeKalb County Fire Rescue Headquarters 1950 West Exchange Place Tucker, Georgia 30084

Notes:
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# 2220. SET Coverage for Sandy Springs, Johns Creek, REVISION 1

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2014-09-16 20:43:13 UTC
From: w4uoc@...
Topic: 2220  Message: 2220

Mike Birmingham - K4LJG

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Sandy Springs FS#2 - Bill Redd K4YJI and Bill Cobb K4YJJ

Sandy Springs FS#3 -

Sandy Springs FS#4 -

Johns Creek FS-61 -

Johns Creek FS 62 -

Johns Creek FS 63-

North Side Hospital - Wayne Chapman KG5WU

Emory Johns Creek Hospital -

# 2221. Re: SET Coverage for Sandy Springs, Johns Creek, REVISION 1

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2014-09-16 21:52:42 UTC
From: Mike Cohen
Topic: 2220  Message: 2221

Just updated NFARES 2014 SET
<https://docs.google.com/spreadsheet/ccc?key=0Ah8TgYV27SbEdEp6a3dPVERDTVBjNkhINjVVT3FERHc&usp=sharing_eol#gid=0>
with
the latest info.

Mike B, Column "L" is updated to show the total number of volunteers at each location. Total count is up to 21.

73,
Mike - AD4MC

Mike Cohen
(404) 981-8624

On Tue, Sep 16, 2014 at 4:43 PM, <W4UOC@...> wrote:

> Mike Birmingham - K4LJG
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> Johns Creek FS 62 -
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> Johns Creek FS 63-
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> North Side Hospital - Wayne Chapman KG5WU
>
> Emory Johns Creek Hospital -
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# 2222. The "Micro" SET: For You, Your Family and Neighborhood

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2014-09-17 13:18:48 UTC
From: Mike Cohen
Topic: 2222  Message: 2222

From the ARRL:

The "Micro" SET: For You, Your Family and Neighborhood

The national ARRL Simulated Emergency Test (SET) is slated for the weekend of October 4, although the window for operation is September 1 through November 30 each year, with groups conducting their events over the course of 48 hours. We are in that window now. The SET is a nationwide exercise in disaster response and emergency communications administered by ARRL Emergency Coordinators and Net Managers. ARES, other related groups and the National Traffic System (NTS) are involved. The SET gives communicators the opportunity to focus on their capability, strengths and weaknesses within their community while interacting with NTS nets. It also provides a public demonstration -- to served agencies such as Red Cross, Emergency Management and through the news media -- of the value to the public that Amateur Radio provides. The SET helps radio amateurs gain experience in communications using standard procedures and a variety of modes under simulated disaster response conditions.

Add a "Micro SET" to your Activity

Many ARES groups across the country will be participating, and all ARES members should support the national SET and their local ARES group's activity, but as an adjunct, you as an individual operator may want to consider also conducting a more micro, local approach by conducting your own SET for your home station and neighborhood. Develop an appropriate scenario based on the existing risks for your area: a wildfire, tornado, earthquake, or hurricane, perhaps. Recruit a few friends and neighbors down the street to participate as assistants and "victims." And then play it out: simulate the onset of disaster conditions, put into effect your family's personal incident action plan <http://www.ready.gov/make-a-plan>, ensure their safety and the stability of your immediate home and environment, and then assess the needs of your neighbors. Establish communications with other hams in your immediate area via simplex, and then expand your coverage and capability to a local repeater and an HF outlet - a county or other regional ARES or NTS net - along with a channel to emergency support functions needed, based on your scenario parameters.

Adapt the SET scoring guidelines and forms (available on the ARRL website) for your personal effort. Report your results to your local Amateur Radio organizations: clubs, ARES groups, auxiliary communications groups, etc. Use your imagination and make it fun, while preserving the gravity of what you are actually doing: preparing yourself, your family, and your neighbors for the serious business of survival and the mitigation of the aftereffects of disasters. - *K1CE*

*73,*

*Mike - AD4MC*

*Mike Cohen*

*(404) 981-8624*

# 2223. Worth Watching

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2014-09-18 11:51:25 UTC
From: w4uoc@...
Topic: 2223  Message: 2223

Worth watching…….. Something to consider if you are involved with public safety services in our area.
Our North Fulton Amateur Radio Service (NFARES) has established a viable backup communications system for our five cities.

http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=pLOJXvkBbkg&feature=em-subs_digest

Tom Koch - W4UOC

# 2224. ARES NET

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2014-09-22 01:35:43 UTC
From: Michael Birmingham
Topic: 2224  Message: 2224

September 21, 2014 NF ARES NET

NCS K4LJG MIKE EAST COBB COMM PWR EC OF NF ARES
ANCS KK4PCR GRANT SS COM PWR
KK4USI GERRY ALPH BATT
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KK4UBQ CATHERINE WOODSTOCK COMM
KK4JYO FRED ROSWELL BATT
WK4U TIM ROSWELL BATT
K4RGK DARREL ROSWELL BATT
WB6LPY KEN HICKORY FLATS COMM
K4UPI LAURIE ROSWELL BATT
KT4LS LEE PEACHTREE CORNERS GWINNET COUNTY ARES
KM4AUP ANNA MARIE
KK4OSG RYAN CUMMING FORSYTH COUNTY ARES

W4UOC TOM HAS ACQUIRED 4 DC POWER SUPPLIES AND UPGRADED RADIOS FOR FIRE AND POLICE IN SANDY SPRINGS. ALSO, HE HAS 4 LICENSED HAMS THAT CAN BE USED AT THE SS POLICE STATION.
DIGITAL TRAINING ON THURSDAY NIGHT AT EIGHT-THIRTY.
SKYWARN SPOTTER CLASS IN TUCKER GEORGIA ON SEPT 23 AT 7-9:30 PM AT THE DEKALB COUNTY FIRE RESCUE HEADQUARTERS AT 1950 WEST EXCHANGE PLACE, TUCKER, GA 30084.

We had 20 check ins tonight.

NET ENDED AT 9:03 PM LOCAL TIME. NEXT NET SCHEDULED ON SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 28.

# 2225. Statewide Simulated Emergency Test (SET)

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2014-09-22 16:03:34 UTC
From: w4uoc@...
Topic: 2225  Message: 2225

Captain Bart Humble - SSPD
Chief Mark Duke - SSFD
Crew Chief James LaudermilK - SSFD CERT
Chief Tim McGiboney - JCFD
Stephanie Moody - Chatcomm 911
David Caldwell - Emory Johns Creek Hospital

The North Fulton Amateur Radio Emergency Service will again be participating in a state wide Simulated Emergency (Communications) Test on October 4, 2014 starting at 9:00 a.m. We have or will have amateur radio stations set up at the following Public Safety facilities located in Sandy Springs, Johns Creek, Northside and Emory Johns Creek hospitals.

I am requesting that you authorize or access to your facilities and inform the fire stations, at which we have installed antennas and radios, that they provided access to the facilities during the SET. The drill should not exceed 3-4 hours.

I would appreciate your confirmation of this request by reply email to _w4uoc@..._ (mailto:w4uoc@...)

These facilities include:

Sandy Springs EOC/Chatcomm 911 (Tom Koch has access card)
Sandy Springs Police Headquarters (COP and/or Officer Mike Stark will control access)
Sandy Springs Fire Station #1
Sandy Springs Fire Station #2
Sandy Springs Fire Station #3
Sandy Springs Fire Station #4

Johns Creek Fire Station #61
Johns Creek Fire Station #62
Johns Creek Fire Station #63

Northside Hospital
Emory Johns Creek Hospital

Georgia Section Amateur Radio Emergency Service (ARES) will conduct a Statewide Simulated Emergency Test (SET), on October 4, 2014. In support of local Emergency Coordinators, and local Emergency Managers, Georgia Section ARES will conduct Statewide Nets in order to provide long range communications, by operating various Nets and services to handle traffic between remote locations within the state and provide a means of handling traffic regionally through the National Traffic System (NTS).

Thomas E Koch W4UOC
AEC - NFARES
404-314-6109
_w4uoc@..._ (mailto:w4uoc@...)

# 2226. Fwd: Statewide Simulated Emergency Test (SET)

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2014-09-22 22:04:03 UTC
From: W4UOC
Topic: 2226  Message: 2226

Sent from my iPhone

Begin forwarded message:

> From: Timothy McGiboney <timothy.mcgiboney@...>
> Date: September 22, 2014 at 5:48:27 PM EDT
> To: "W4UOC@..." <W4UOC@...>
> Subject: RE: Statewide Simulated Emergency Test (SET)
>
> Thanks for the heads up and i will pass it along to our crews.
>
> Sent from my Verizon Wireless 4G LTE smartphone
>
>
> -------- Original message --------
> From: W4UOC@...
> Date:09/22/2014 12:04 PM (GMT-05:00)
> To: bart.humble@..., mark.duke@..., mcarter@..., Timothy McGiboney
<timothy.mcgiboney@...>, JLaudermilk@..., smoody@chatcomm.org, david.caldwell@...
> Subject: Statewide Simulated Emergency Test (SET)
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> Thomas E Koch W4UOC
> AEC - NFARES
> 404-314-6109
> w4uoc@...

# 2227. Fwd: Statewide Simulated Emergency Test (SET)

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2014-09-22 22:05:25 UTC
From: W4UOC
Topic: 2226  Message: 2227

Sent from my iPhone

Begin forwarded message:

> From: "Duke, Mark" <MDuke@...>
> Date: September 22, 2014 at 5:34:45 PM EDT
> To: "W4UOC@..." <W4UOC@...>, "Humble, Bart" <BHumble@...>, "Carter, Melinda" <MCarter@...>, "timothy.mcgiboney@johnscreekga.gov" <timothy.mcgiboney@...>, "Laudermilk, James" <JLaudermilk@...>, S Moody <smoody@...>, "david.caldwell@emoryhealthcare.org" <david.caldwell@...>
> Subject: RE: Statewide Simulated Emergency Test (SET)
>
> Thanks Tom.
>
> Our folks have been notified and will be there as needed.
>
>
> Mark H. Duke
> Deputy Chief Operations-Interim
>
> City of Sandy Springs Fire Rescue
> 7840 Roswell Road, Building 500
> Sandy Springs, GA 30350
> Office: 770-206-2076 / Cell: 678-614-2431
>
> www.sandyspringsga.gov
>
> From: W4UOC@... [mailto:W4UOC@...]
> Sent: Monday, September 22, 2014 12:04 PM
> To: Humble, Bart; Duke, Mark; Carter, Melinda; timothy.mcgiboney@johnscreekga.gov; Laudermilk, James; S Moody; david.caldwell@...
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> Chief Tim McGiboney - JCFD
> Stephanie Moody - Chatcomm 911
> David Caldwell - Emory Johns Creek Hospital
>
> The North Fulton Amateur Radio Emergency Service will again be participating in a state wide Simulated Emergency (Communications) Test on October 4, 2014 starting at 9:00 a.m. We have or will have amateur radio stations set up at the following Public Safety facilities located in Sandy Springs, Johns Creek, Northside and Emory Johns Creek hospitals.
>

> I am requesting that you authorize or access to your facilities and inform the fire stations, at which we have installed antennas and radios, that they provided access to the facilities during the SET. The drill should not exceed 3-4 hours.
>
> I would appreciate your confirmation of this request by reply email to w4uoc@...
>
> These facilities include:
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> Sandy Springs EOC/Chatcomm 911 (Tom Koch has access card)
> Sandy Springs Police Headquarters (COP and/or Officer Mike Stark will control access)
> Sandy Springs Fire Station #1
> Sandy Springs Fire Station #2
> Sandy Springs Fire Station #3
> Sandy Springs Fire Station #4
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> Johns Creek Fire Station #61
> Johns Creek Fire Station #62
> Johns Creek Fire Station #63
>
> Northside Hospital
> Emory Johns Creek Hospital
>
> Georgia Section Amateur Radio Emergency Service (ARES) will conduct a
> Statewide Simulated Emergency Test (SET), on October 4, 2014. In
> support of local Emergency Coordinators, and local Emergency Managers,
> Georgia Section ARES will conduct Statewide Nets in order to provide
> long range communications, by operating various Nets and services to
> handle traffic between remote locations within the state and provide a
> means of handling traffic regionally through the National Traffic
> System (NTS).
> Thomas E Koch W4UOC
> AEC - NFARES
> 404-314-6109
> w4uoc@...
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# 2228. SKYWARN SPOTTER CLASS, Tuesday, 23 September 2014

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2014-09-23 16:01:02 UTC
From: nfares@yahoogroups.com
Topic: 2228  Message: 2228
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# 2229. Preparing for tornados? Boring... Zombie Apocalypse--that's what you should be prepared for! In Kansas...

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2014-09-24 15:22:09 UTC
From: pavel.anni@...
Topic: 2229  Message: 2229

Zombie Preparedness Month was announced in Kansas:

http://www.kansastag.gov/press_release_detail.asp?PRid=1289
http://www.kansastag.gov/press_release_detail.asp?PRid=1289

"If you’re prepared for zombies, you’re prepared for anything"

# 2230. 2014 ARES SET

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2014-09-24 18:38:55 UTC
From: Michael Birmingham
Topic: 2177  Message: 2230

All NFARES & NFARL members,

The 2014 NFARES SET (Simulated Emergency Test), which is scheduled for Saturday, October 4, 2014, 9:00-2:00 PM is coming up fast! We still need more volunteers! You don't need to be an ARES member or experienced in emergency communications. In fact, it is a great way for new hams to gain experience. I had my license less than two months when I participated in my first SET. It was a rewarding experience and I learned a great deal about radio communication and our role in times of emergencies and other public service events.

Call or text me at 404-219-7433 or you can email me at k4ljg at nfarl.org

Thanks from your 2014 NFARES SET Planning Team.

73,

Mike – K4LJG
404-219-7433

# 2231. ELECRAFT Owners/Enthusiasts needed to Showcase/Display their Elecraft Equipment at the Stone Mountain Hamfest on Nov 1st & 2nd

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2014-09-29 04:35:43 UTC
From: Mike Lozano
Topic: 2231  Message: 2231

Elecraft Owners,

I often organize an Elecraft Enthusiasts Group for the Stone Mountain Hamfest. This HAMFEST is just a month or so away - where has this year gone? So....

So if you are an owner of any type of Elecraft Ham Radio, and would like to display and showcase YOUR Equipment for 3-4 hours during the Hamfest, do I have a deal for you!

If you volunteer to participate for 3-4 hours showcasing your Elecraft Equipment, I will provide you with:

1) An Elecraft Polo Shirt (it may not be available before the HAMFEST, but I'll get it to you for use once again - the sooner you get back to me, the sooner I can get it for you)!

2) Free ticket into the Hamfest - all weekend (and, of course, the ticket comes with a prize ticket as well);

3) Those who contact and schedule your volunteer time with me by October 7th, will also get the cherished "Blue Elecraft" CAP!

4) Those who participate with the group will be provided "Lunch" for your efforts.

I guaranteed that you'll have a good time displaying your equipment and see a hamfest from a different perspective, after all......a Satisfied Elecraft Consumer is the best person to display/Showcase their Elecraft Equipment.

So if you have the time on the first weekend of November (1st & 2nd), send me an email at "KF4UPO@..." to get on the schedule!

Regards,

Mike
KF4UPO

# 2232. Sunday Net 9-28-14

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2014-09-29 17:25:44 UTC
From: Michael Birmingham
Topic: 2232  Message: 2232

ARES NET 9/28/2014

K4LJG MIKE E COBB COMM EC/NCS
AD4MC MIKE SANDY SPRINGS BATT ANCS
N4SBD SCOTT ALPH
KK4USI GERRY ALPH BATT
KG5WU WAYNE SANDY SPRINGS BATT
AK4NA GARRY ROSWELL COMM
KK4VHZ TIM ROSWELL BATT
AC4PA PAVEL ALPH COMM
N4SEC JIM ALPH BATT
W4UOC TOM SANDY SPRINGS BATT
KK4YDQ MIKE ALPH BATT
KI4DSO GEORGE NORCROSS COMM
N4BTA BRETT ALPH BATT
KK4JYO FRED ROSWELL BATT
K4AWF TONY ALPH COMM
K4RGK DARYL ROSWELL BATT
WB6LPY KEN HICHORY FLATS COMM
K4UPI LORI ROSWELL BATT
AK4EX STUART SANDY SPRINGS BATT
WK4U TIM ROSWELL BATT
AK4TL CLYDE ROSWELL BATT

WE HAD 21 CHECK INS.
SET IS ON OCTOBER 4, 2014. We need more volunteers. You can contact Mike, K4LJG at k4ljg at nfarl.org, 404-219-7433 either call or text. See you Saturday!!
END AT 2104 LOCAL TIME. NEXT NET ON OCTOBER 5, 2014

# 2233. SET is less than a week away!

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2014-09-29 17:40:52 UTC
From: birmham@...
Topic: 2233  Message: 2233

To all,

I wasn't available to help with the Thursday night digital practice. We only have a week left so if anyone wants to practice please let me know and we can find a time to get on the repeater. You can email me, respond to this post, or call or text me at 404-219-7433.

Thanks,

Mike, K4LJG

# 2234. Tech License Study Guide?

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2014-09-30 18:58:03 UTC
From: wcchapman@...
Topic: 2234  Message: 2234

Question for the group:

Does anyone have a current / recent edition of the Technician License study guide they'd be willing to part with for a short while?

A prospective ham with some time on his hands would appreciate some interesting reading material.

Thanks!

73 de Wayne / kg5wu

# 2235. Sandy Springs SET participants information

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2014-10-01 13:47:56 UTC
From: W4UOC
Topic: 2235  Message: 2235

Some thoughts for SET activities for those operating from Sandy Springs Public Safety and hospital locations during the set. These activities will keep you busy and give you plenty of opportunities to practice using voice and digital modes (MT-63 2000L) during our net on SS-1 146.49 simplex.

I have requested that Stuart Williams be the NCS for the SS-1 net.

1. NCS will do a roll call to check for those stations in the net.

2. NCS will ask each station to get a radio check from each station to see which stations can contact each other via simplex. As and example the NCS will call SSFS #1 and ask that station to call SSFS and once that is confirmed SSFS-2 will confirm or indicate to the NCS the result. Then next the NCS will again go thru the net to see which stations could hear SSFS #1 and #2. Next the NCS will direct SSFS #2 to call SSFS #3 and ask that station to contact #4 to confirm communications, etc. NCS will again check with all other station to confirm if they again, in turn could copy SSFS #3. Then NCS will call SSFS #4 to contact SSFS #1 and again confirm that all stations could or could not copy SSFS #4. Next i would suggest that we include the SSPD and Northside Hospital in the same procedure.

At the end of this net communications verification procedure the NCS will know which stations are capable of simplex communications or will require relays via the NCS.

3. Next each station should be prepared to receive some requests for information pertaining to the SET requests such as.

A. Current headcount of personnel at each site, like number of fire fighters or police at ther site.

B. Current equipment on site and available and ready for deployment ie 1 Quint 1 ambulance, etc. Or 5 police vehicles, etc.

4. As we get requests from the wide area NCS and/or other jurisdictions (Cities) we will forward those requests via the SS1 NCS

As you can see the NCS will be quite busy directing and controlling the net activities and may or may not be able to receive and confirm digital traffic so an alternate station may be selected to receive the requested digital traffic on an alternate frequency which will be announced during the net.

As of Wednesday Oct 1st there are 2 mtr radios installed and operational at Sandy Springs fire stations 1,3 and 4. I will complete the installation at SSFS 2 before the SET or provide additional information prior to the SET.

Plan to be at your site no later than 8:39 am and be prepared for the Net activation and roll call at 9:00 a.m.

If you have questions call me at 404-314-6109 or email w4uoc@...

See or hear you Saturday !

73

Tom Koch - W4UOC
Sent from my iPad

# 2236. Re: [nfares] Sandy Springs SET participants information

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2014-10-01 14:28:38 UTC
From: Tim Lemmon
Topic: 2235 Message: 2236

Tom. Will each city group meet up in person somewhere before we get started? Seems to me we did that last year to get sealed envelopes for the SET.

Tim, WK4U

On Wednesday, October 1, 2014 9:47 AM, "W4UOC w4uoc@... [nfares]" <nfares-noreply@yahoogroups.com> wrote:

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See or hear you Saturday !

73

Tom Koch - W4UOC
Sent from my iPad

# 2237. New file uploaded to nfares

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2014-10-01 18:29:29 UTC
From: nfares@yahoogroups.com
Topic: 201  Message: 2237

Hello,

This email message is a notification to let you know that
a file has been uploaded to the Files area of the nfares
group.

File : /2014 ARES SET/2014 Station Instructions.docx
Uploaded by : birmham@... <birmham@...>
Description :

You can access this file at the URL:
https://groups.yahoo.com/neo/groups/nfares/files/2014%20ARES%20SET/2014%20Station%20Instructions.docx

To learn more about file sharing for your group, please visit:
https://help.yahoo.com/kb/index?page=content&y=PROD_GRPS&locale=en_US&id=SLN15398

Regards,

birmham@... <birmham@...>

# 2238. New file uploaded to nfares

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2014-10-01 18:30:24 UTC
From: nfares@yahoogroups.com
Topic: 201  Message: 2238

Hello,

This email message is a notification to let you know that
a file has been uploaded to the Files area of the nfares
group.

File : /2014 ARES SET/2014 EOC-NCS Instructions.docx
Uploaded by : birmham@... <birmham@...>
Description :

You can access this file at the URL:
https://groups.yahoo.com/neo/groups/nfares/files/2014%20ARES%20SET/2014%20EOC-NCS%20Instructions.docx

To learn more about file sharing for your group, please visit:
https://help.yahoo.com/kb/index?page=content&y=PROD_GRPS&locale=en_US&id=SLN15398

Regards,

birmham@... <birmham@...>

# 2239. New file uploaded to nfares

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2014-10-01 18:31:22 UTC
From: nfares@yahoogroups.com
Topic: 201  Message: 2239

Hello,

This email message is a notification to let you know that
a file has been uploaded to the Files area of the nfares
group.

File : /2014 ARES SET/2014 nfares initial deployment freqencies.xlsx
Uploaded by : birmham@... <birmham@...>
Description :

You can access this file at the URL:
https://groups.yahoo.com/neo/groups/nfares/files/2014%20ARES%20SET/2014%20nfares%20initial%20deployment%20freqencies.xlsx

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https://help.yahoo.com/kb/index?page=content&y=PROD_GRPS&locale=en_US&id=SLN15398

Regards,

birmham@... <birmham@...>

# 2240. Preparation for the SET:

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2014-10-03 16:03:50 UTC
From: w4uoc@...
Topic: 2240  Message: 2240

Preparation for the SET:
1. Print and bring the _NFARES 2014 SET_
(https://docs.google.com/spreadsheet/ccc?key=0Ah8TgYV27SbEdDMyeldRVTFILVlZdlZaSVRIYlhZY3c&pli=1#gid=0) ,
“Frequencies”, “Message Log” and “ICS-213” forms.
2. Bring headphones. They may be helpful in a noisy environment,
except for acoustic coupled Fldigi.
3. Be available for Area Wide NCS roll call at 0845L (8:45 AM) on the
W4PME FM repeater on 443.15 (+) No PL {NF-3}. 446.200 Simplex will only be
used if the repeater fails, since it does not provide solid copy to all of
the 440 stations. (The Area Wide NCS 440 frequency and mode in use will
be called “440”)
4. Use your “NFARES 2014 SET” form, columns F and H for roll call
check in.
5. Take a roll call at 0900L on the Primary 2M frequency for your
city (group).
6. Instruct all stations to monitor their Primary 2M frequency unless
passing a message.
7. Area Wide NCS provides all roll call information to all EOCs and
Repeater NCS using 440.
8. NCS stations should fill in the roll call of all cities on their “
NFARES 2014 SET”, including column H.
9. Notify all active stations which other locations are also active.
(Call Signs and names not needed)
10. Messages should only be sent to other stations that have an active
operator.
11. Stations should use FLDIGI/FLMSG, MT-63-2KL when sending and
receiving stations have capability.
12. Be prepared to pass messages on 440 and your Primary 2M frequency
from the IC (Incident Commander) or AIC (Area Incident Commander) such as
damage assessment, staffing, equipment inventories, etc. Get this information
from station personnel if available. Ham radio operators will not create
this information.
13. The operators will only be creating their own ICS-213 test messages
between stations.
14. For stations that have two or more volunteers, assign them to two
shifts; Shift 1 from 0900L – 1130L and Shift 2 from 1130L-1400L. The
volunteer(s) on each Shift should send and receive messages.
15. For all phases, instruct all operators to enter their call sign on
each message they send in the “Fm” and “Sig.” fields. However, if
station personnel create the message, their name and title goes in the “Sig.”
and “Pos.” fields. .
16. Use your “Message Log Form” to record all messages sent, received
and failed and if Voice or Digital.
17. Have the stations also use their “Message Log Form” for later

confirmation.
18. Use the Tactical Call Signs shown on the “NFARES 2014 SET” form in Column B
19. Takes pictures and send them to ad4mc@...
Phase 1 - Intra-City Simplex (Within City) :
1. Control message handling within your city (group). Have stations use the Alt-2 or Alt-3 frequencies as you feel appropriate to increase throughput.
2. If a sending station fails to send the message, save that message and continue with other messages.
3. After all messages within the city (group) have been sent, except for the failures, continue with Phase 2.
Phase 2 – Inter-City Simplex (Between Cities):
1. 2M NCS will instruct station to change to receiving city's frequency to request permission to send message, then return to your Primary 2M frequency when they finish sending or failing to send their message. Both sending station's EOC and sending station record Message Log information.
2. 2M NCS will control all incoming message traffic from stations outside of your city (group).
3. After all messages have been sent and received, continue with Phase 3 to pass failed messages.
Phase 3 – Inter-City Repeater (Between Cities) when simplex fails: NF4GA/R 147.06 (+) PL 100Hz {NF-1}:
1. EOC NCS on 440 provide listing of failed messages to Repeater NCS as they are recorded.
2. The Repeater NCS on 440 will coordinate with the Sending city EOC and Receiving city EOC to establish communications between those cities using the 147.06 (+) PL100 Hz {NF-1} repeater.
3. Continue until all messages have been successfully passed or failed. The sending station will notify their 2M-NCS of message status recording all information on their Message Log Forms.
4. The EOCs should coordinate to relay the messages on 2M or 440 if all 2M Phases fail.
Phase 4 – EOCs contact each other:
1. Using 440, EOCs pass messages to the other EOC locations. (Extra points !)
Phase 5 – EOCs close down their stations at 1400L.
1. Note that even if all messages have been sent from your city (group), other cities may still have messages to send to your stations.
2. Thank all volunteers for their support.

# 2241. ARES SET

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2014-10-04 18:15:49 UTC
From: Michael Birmingham
Topic: 2241  Message: 2241

I want to thank everyone who participated in the SET today. I know that we had a great time. We sent as well as received digital messages as well as voice. I heard many other stations doing the same. I don’t have the numbers yet but when I do I will post them.

I would love to hear some of the stories and also feedback on what you would like to see going forward.

I hope that everyone had as good a time as I did and learned something as well.

Thanks again to everyone who made this year’s SET a success!

Mike, K4LJG, EC of NFARES

# 2242. NFARES SET Thanks

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2014-10-04 18:20:11 UTC
From: wcchapman@...
Topic: 2242  Message: 2242

Greetings all,

A huge "Thank You" from the North Fulton Amateur Radio Emergency Services group to ALL who participated today in the annual ARRL ARES Simulated Emergency Test.

We accomplished our goal of deploying to served agency locations throughout our North Fulton cities (Sandy Springs, Roswell, Alpharetta, Milton, Johns Creek), established three simplex communications nets (Sandy Springs/Johns Creek, Roswell, Alpharetta/Milton), and passed voice and digital (Fldigi mode MT63-2KL) messages between and among fire stations, police departments, shelters, hospitals and Emergency Operations Centers (EOC) within our territory.

No official "numbers" yet. Results will be forthcoming.

Everyone performed very well, established procedures were followed and worked as designed, and, with any luck, those who participated may have actually had a bit of fun. What a beautiful day to be out and about. The weather cooperated perfectly.

As always, we want to hear what worked, what didn't work, and where we can improve.

The October NFARES meeting is the second Tuesday (October 14) at 7p at Brandon Hall School. No doubt we'll be talking about the SET we did today. Please join us.

On behalf of the NFARES SET planning team ...

73 de Wayne / kg5wu

# 2243. North Fulton ARES Participation in the 2014 SET

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2014-10-06 16:23:02 UTC
From: W4UOC
Topic: 2243  Message: 2243
Attachments: 4 described; binary payloads are missing from this source WARC

Steve Southerland - KK4DSW - Sandy Sprigs Police HQ Stuart Williams - AK3EX - Sandy Springs EOC NCS Grant Register - KK4PCR - Sandy Springs Fire Station #1

# 2244. Re: [nfares] North Fulton ARES Participation in the 2014 SET [4 Attachments]

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2014-10-06 21:11:21 UTC
From: Bill
Topic: 2243  Message: 2244
Attachments: 3 described; binary payloads are missing from this source WARC

Here are a few photos of Bill Reed K4YJI working at Sandy Springs Fire Station #2 during the SET. Feel free to add them to the eNews article if you need more photos.

Bill k4yjj

On Mon, Oct 6, 2014 at 12:23 PM, W4UOC w4uoc@... [nfares] <nfares-noreply@yahoogroups.com> wrote:

> [Attachment(s) <#148e66e3b5a0c7d3_TopText> from W4UOC included below]
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> Steve Southerland - KK4DSW - Sandy Sprigs Police HQ
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> Stuart Williams - AK3EX - Sandy Springs EOC NCS
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>
> Grant Register - KK4PCR - Sandy Springs Fire Station #1
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>
> Stew Tarkington - N1DQC - Sandy Springs Fire Station #1
>
> The Sandy Springs and Johns Creek fire stations, Northside Hospital and
> Emory Johns Creek Hospital were well covered with amateur radio operators
> during the October Simulated Emergency Test (SET) Other stations that were
> covered included Sandy Springs Fire Station #3 by Rob Alford KK4LZV and
> Mike Birmingham K4LJG, Lynne Birmingham KK4PMY and Betty Buran KK4QPY Sandy
> Springs Fire Station #2 Bill Reed K4YJI and Bill Cobb K4YJJ.
>
> Tom Koch W4UOC was the area wide NCS for the Sandy Springs EOC.
>
> Mile Lozano KF4UPO operated the Emory Johns Creek Hospital and Brian
> Mallard N2EYI operated from Johns Creek Fire Station #62.
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> Roswell, Alpharetta and Milton amateurs operated stations in those cities
> as well and those included:
>
> Alpharett EOC Jim Paine N4SEC NCS and Mike Clark KK4YDQ
>
> Alpharetta FS 1 Pavel Anni AC4PA and Tony Fullard K4AWF
>
> Alpharetta FS 4 Wayne Rand W4CJV
>
> Alpharetta Mobile Command Vehicle (MCV) Bret Arnold N4BTA and Alpharetta
> Police Detective John Strika WC8V
>
> Roswell NCS Scott Straw KB4KBS
>
> Roswell Fire Station #1 Tim Romashko KK4VHZ
>
> Roswell Fire Station #2 Ron Gill NV4U
>
> Roswell Fire Station #3 Bob Coleman KM4CJF
>
> North Fulton Hospital Garry Brass AK4NA
>
> Roswell Shelter Roswell High School Daryl Young K4RGK
>
> Roswell Shelter Crabapple Middle School Lori Young K4UP1 and Tim Lemmon
> WK4U
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> North Fulton Community Charities Chuck Catledge AE4CW
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> Submitted by Tom Koch Sandy Sprigs AEC
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> Sent from my iPad
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# 2245. SET Experiences!

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2014-10-07 14:53:38 UTC
From: birmham@...
Topic: 2245  Message: 2245

First I want to thank all who participated in the SET last Saturday. I know that we had a good time and learned a lot. Below is my experience. I would love to hear from all of you about your experience at the SET.
Thanks so much!

Mike, K4LJG

We had an interesting SET experience. Mike, K4LJG, Lynne KK4PMY, and Betty KK4QPY, arrived at Sandy Springs Fire Station #4 at 8:30. The fire station was empty and we were locked out.
We called the SSEOC, checked in from the car and advised them that the fire station was closed. We were told to go to fire station #3. So we went to Fire Station #3 just as Rob, KK4LZV was arriving.
Rob was all set to run the station with his laptop and the station radio. He was unfamiliar with the radio so I was able to help him familiarize himself with the radio and answer some questions about FLdigi. He was confident that he could run the station by himself so we didn't see a need to have four people at that station.
We decided not to go back to the fire station to see if it was open. But we thought it would be more realistic to simulate the loss of fire station #3 due to the hazardous spill. We thought about where to set up when we decided we needed to be upwind and just outside of Fulton county. We decided to set up our station at Betty's house and we called it Remote Station #1.
We checked into the SSEOC with voice and then digital at 9:53 AM.
We received 11 digital messages and sent 6 digital messages including messages to Alpharetta.
I used my Yaesu FT-8800 radio with a J-pole antenna in the attic. We acoustically coupled from my Windows laptop for digital messages.
It was good to know that we could receive and transmit on simplex from a remote location outside of North Fulton to many of the stations in the "affected" area. It would be useful to test out of area stations to see how far we can communicate on simplex frequencies.
I heard a lot of the transmissions and found the operators very professional. All in all, I think the SET went very well.

Thanks again for everyone's participation and hard work.

So, let's hear from all of you!

73,

Mike, K4LJG

# 2246. Meeting Tonight

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2014-10-14 17:46:57 UTC
From: Michael Birmingham
Topic: 2246  Message: 2246

Tonight is the NFARES meeting at seven o’clock at the Brandon Hall School. For directions and information go to www.nfares.org.

Also, I hope that everyone has survived the weather. They are reporting that the worst of the weather will pass by around four o’clock today. So, we still plan to have the meeting. But, if this changes listen on the 147.06 repeater. Also, I will post on this reflector.

Thanks and hope to see you tonight!

Mike, K4LJG
EC of NFARES

# 2247. //WL2K R/ North Fulton Ares Net Meeting 10-19-2014

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2014-10-20 01:44:42 UTC
From: Fred Ackley
Topic: 2247  Message: 2247

The North Fulton County ARES had the following check-ins during the regular Sunday weekly ARES net held on the 147.06 repeater located in Roswell:

KK4JYO, Fred, Roswell, Battery Power NCS
AK4NA, Garry, Roswell, Commercial Power - ANCS
K4LJG, Mike, E Cobb, Commercial Power - North Fulton EC
KK4USI, Gerry, Alpharetta, Battery Power,
AD4MC, Mike, Sandy Springs, Battery Power
AC4PA, Pavel, Alpharetta, Battery Power
N4SEC, Jim, Alpharetta, Battery Power
K4AWF, Tony, Alpharetta, Commercial Power
WK4U, Tim, Cobb County, Commercial Power
WB6LPY, Ken, Canton, Commercial Power
KK4UBQ, Catherine, Commercial Power,
KM4EQA, Richard, West Cobb,Commercial Power
AK4TL, Clyde, Dunwoody, Battery Power (HT)
KM4RBS, Ron, Milton, Battery, (via relay)

Net Closed at 8:55 PM, EDT

Fred Ackley
KK4JYO

# 2248. Battery packs

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2014-10-24 19:51:46 UTC
From: Mike Cohen
Topic: 2248  Message: 2248

Hey Guys & Gals,

Mike, K4LJG, has one of these and we used it at the Brandon Hall Fall Festival.

https://mail.google.com/mail/ca/u/0/#inbox/14942e2bf05fa739
http://manuals.harborfreight.com/manuals/60000-60999/60657.pdf

It says that it is 17/18 Ah, which is pretty husky.

I just made a battery pack with two 7Ah batteries in a HF ammo box
http://www.harborfreight.com/catalogsearch/result?q=ammo
with a fuse and powerpoles, which makes a nice, easy to carry battery pack, but I don't think that you can beat the price and features of the 3-in-1 Portable Power Pack @$40, plus it has all kinds of other goodies with it...meter, light, battery clamps, "cigarette lighter" jack.

On the road to building better GO-KITS....

73,
Mike - AD4MC

Mike Cohen
(404) 981-8624

# 2249. CITY WELCOMES NEW FIRE CHIEF

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2014-10-31 16:28:33 UTC
From: w4uoc@...
Topic: 2249  Message: 2249

CITY WELCOMES NEW FIRE CHIEF AT CHANGE OF LEADERSHIP CEREMONY
Keith Sanders joins Sandy Springs from the City of Alpharetta

The winds of change gently blew through City Hall as the city of Sandy Springs bid farewell to retiring Fire Chief Jack McElfish (pictured on the right) and formally welcomed the new Fire Chief Keith Sanders at the Change of Command Ceremony on Tuesday October 21, 2014. Chief Sanders joins Sandy Springs with more than 35 years experience in fire service and public safety. He was previously with the City of Alpharetta, where he served as Fire Chief and most recently as Deputy Director of Public Safety. Under the public safety role, Sanders oversaw operations for the fire department, as well as police and 911 operations. In addition to fire service, Sanders is a sworn police officer and recently graduated the FBI National Academy, an invitation-only program. He holds a B.S. from Toccoa Falls College and an M.P.A. from Columbus State University.

# 2250. Fwd: [Gwinnett ARES] New file uploaded to gwinnettares

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2014-10-31 20:43:12 UTC
From: Mike Cohen
Topic: 2250  Message: 2250

FYI

73,
Mike - AD4MC

Mike Cohen
(404) 981-8624
---------- Forwarded message ----------
From: <gwinnettares@yahoogroups.com>
Date: Thu, Oct 30, 2014 at 9:43 PM
Subject: [Gwinnett ARES] New file uploaded to gwinnettares
To: gwinnettares@yahoogroups.com

Hello,

This email message is a notification to let you know that
a file has been uploaded to the Files area of the gwinnettares
group.

File : /rms-ares-october.ppt
Uploaded by : adcock2000 <david@...>
Description : presentation on RMS Express

You can access this file at the URL:
https://groups.yahoo.com/neo/groups/gwinnettares/files/rms-ares-october.ppt

To learn more about file sharing for your group, please visit:
https://help.yahoo.com/kb/index?page=content&y=PROD_GRPS&locale=en_US&id=SLN15398

Regards,

adcock2000 <david@sharonadcock.com>

# 2251. QRZ.COM & Chuck, AE4CW

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2014-11-01 21:47:46 UTC
From: Mike Cohen
Topic: 2251  Message: 2251
Attachments: 1 described; binary payloads are missing from this source WARC

Yay, Chuck,

[image: Inline image 2]

# 2252. Re: QRZ.COM & Chuck, AE4CW

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2014-11-01 23:05:20 UTC
From: Chuck Catledge
Topic: 2251  Message: 2252

Well as they say...a blind hog finds an acorn once in a while! Thanks guys!

P.S. As far as I know, this is totally random...so YOU may be next!!

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Chuck, AE4CW

# 2253. NFARES 2-meter net, Sunday, November 2, 2014

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2014-11-03 02:54:20 UTC
From: Mike Cohen
Topic: 2253  Message: 2253

We had 27 check-ins (THIS A NEW RECORD !) on the NFARES 2-meter net, Sunday, November 2, 2014

K4LJG (ANCS) (EC) – Mike, E. Cobb, EL

KK4JYO – Fred, Roswell, BP

AK4TL - Clyde, Dunwoody, Mobile

AK4EX – Stuart, Sandy Springs, BP

KG5WU – Wayne, Sandy Springs, BP

W4UOC – Tom, Sandy Springs, BP

AC4PA – Pavel, Alpharetta, BP

N4SEC – Jim, Venice, FL, EL, BP,

WB6LPY – Ken, Hickory Flats

KK4PCR – Grant, Sandy Springs

W4QO – Jim, W. Roswell, BP

K4RA – Tim, Roswell, BP (New Callsign)

K4AWF – Tony, Alpharetta

KK4YDQ – Mike, Alpharetta, BP

N1DQC – Stew, Sandy Springs

WK4U – Tim, Roswell

N4OKN – Will, Mobile

KM4EQA – Richard, Dallas

K4UPI – Lori, Roswell

KM4EQS – Bill, Tucker

K4RGK – Daryl, Roswell

KM4AUP – Ana Maria, Alpharetta

KM4AUS – Charles, Alpharetta

KC2OBZ – Dominic, Alpharetta

N4SBD – Scott, Alpharetta, BP

N4TOL – John, Roswell, BP

AD4MC (NCS) - Mike, Sandy Springs, BP

BP = Battery Power

EL = EchoLink

Comments:

KK4JYO - Fred:

Amazon now selling BaoFeng UV-82C – Part 90 Approved, US Warranty

N4SBD – Scott:

Goal is to have N4SBD-R EchoLink Node operational by next Sunday's NFARES net

W4QO - Jim

*Tech Chat Monday at* *8:30 PM on the 145.47 *repeater. Also, don't forget the CHAT ROOM
which can be reached at *nfarl.dodropin.org <http://nfarl.dodropin.org/>* The chat room is much
fun and where folks search and post links. Can't reach the repeaters?
Then fire up your *Echolink *and connect to node *355800 *to join in.

We welcome all NFARES members to be NCS at least once per year. The Net Script can be found at nfares.org.

The next scheduled net will be Sunday, November 9th This net closed at 9:12 PM.

73,

Mike - AD4MC

404-981-8624

# 2254. Tuesday Night ARES Meeting

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2014-11-10 21:21:58 UTC
From: birmham@...
Topic: 2254  Message: 2254

Tomorrow night (Tuesday) is the NFARES meeting at seven o’clock at the Brandon Hall School. For directions and information go to www.nfares.org.

Thanks and hope to see you there!

Mike, K4LJG
EC of NFARES

# 2255. Tuesday Meeting

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2014-11-11 19:59:25 UTC
From: Michael Birmingham
Topic: 2255  Message: 2255

I hope to see everyone at the meeting tonight at the Brandon Hall School at seven o'clock. If you need directions, you can go to our website at www.nfares.org <http://www.nfares.org/> and there is a link to Google maps.

There will be no dinner at the school this month but it looks as though we may in the future.

Thanks and I look forward to this evening.

Mike, K4LJG
EC of NFARES

# 2256. NFARES Initial Deployment Frequencies

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2014-11-12 02:36:44 UTC
From: Mike Cohen
Topic: 1860  Message: 2256
Attachments: 1 described; binary payloads are missing from this source WARC

NFARES Team,

The subject of NFARES Initial Deployment Frequencies came up during tonight's monthly NFARES meeting.

That was a good reminder for me to send them again to all NFARES members. Note that Jim, W4QO, also set up a Twitter account for us to use in an emergency...as long as Twitter is still working in North Fulton during that emergency...

The attached file along with many other useful files can be found at:

https://groups.yahoo.com/neo/groups/nfares/files

The NFARES Initial Deployment Frequencies file is in:

https://groups.yahoo.com/neo/groups/nfares/files/2014%20ARES%20SET/

73,
Mike - AD4MC

Mike Cohen
(404) 981-8624

# 2257. NFARES 2-meter net, Sunday, November 9, 2014

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2014-11-12 13:58:25 UTC
From: Mike Cohen
Topic: 2257  Message: 2257

We had 13 check-ins on the NFARES 2-meter net, Sunday, November 9, 2014

K4LJG (EC) – Mike, E. Cobb, EL

W4UOC (ANCS) – Tom, Sandy Springs, BP

KK4USI – Gerry, Alpharetta, BP

K4RA – Tim, Roswell, BP

N4SEC – Jim, Alphareta, BP,

KK4JYO – Fred, Roswell, BP

WB6LPY – Ken, Canton

K4AWF – Tony, Alpharetta

KM4EQA – Richard, Dallas

N4TOL – John, Roswell, BP

W4QO – Jim, W. Roswell, BP

KM4AUP – Ana Maria, Alpharetta, EL

AD4MC (NCS) - Mike, Sandy Springs, BP

BP = Battery Power

EL = EchoLink

Comments:

AD4MC: - Mike:

N4SBD-R EchoLink Node is operational again. Thanks, Scott, N4SBD.

W4QO - Jim

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the CHAT ROOM
which can be reached at *nfarl.dodropin.org <http://nfarl.dodropin.org/>* The
chat room is much
fun and where folks search and post links. Can't reach the repeaters?
Then fire up your *Echolink *and connect to node *355800 *to join in.

We welcome all NFARES members to be NCS at least once per year. The Net
Script can be found at nfares.org.

The next scheduled net will be Sunday, November 16th This net closed at 8:52 PM.

73,

Mike - AD4MC

404-981-8624

# 2258. Georgia weekly HF ARES Net and the monthly Metro Atlanta Net

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2014-11-12 15:12:11 UTC
From: Michael Birmingham
Topic: 2258  Message: 2258

The statewide ARES Net is every Sunday at 5:00 PM on 3.975 MHz LSB. At 4:30 PM Sunday is the digital Net on 3.583 MHz USB and is PSK31.

The monthly Metro Atlanta Net is on the first Sunday of every month at 4:00 PM. The next one is on December 7. The frequency is 145.43 - PL 107.2.

Mike, K4LJG

# 2259. Sunday Net for 11/16 ???

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2014-11-20 20:25:14 UTC
From: wcchapman@...
Topic: 2259  Message: 2259

To NCS folks,

I feel certain somebody ran the net last Sunday 11/16.

Please post the check in list here or email it directly to me. ( netmanager @ nfares . org )

Nobody get ARES credit if I don't know who checked in.

To all NCS folks, please post the results Sunday or Monday so I can submit them for credit.

Thanks!

73 de Wayne / kg5wu

# 2260. Homeland Security’s 2014 National Emergency Commun ications Plan Incorporates Amateur Radio

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2014-11-20 21:07:02 UTC
From: Mike Cohen
Topic: 2260  Message: 2260

That's us !!

http://www.arrl.org/news/homeland-security-s-2014-national-emergency-communications-plan-incorporates-amateur-radio

73,
Mike - AD4MC

Mike Cohen
(404) 981-8624

# 2261. NET REPORT 11-16-2014

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2014-11-23 18:39:37 UTC
From: Captain
Topic: 2261  Message: 2261

NFARES Net

16 November, 2014, 20:30 - 21:04 Local

AK4NA Garry Roswell Battery Net Control

KK4PCR Grant Sandy Springs Battery Alt. Net Control

KK4LJG Mike East Cobb Commercial E.C. North Fulton

KK4JYO Fred Roswell Battery

AK4EX Stuart Sandy Springs Commercial

N4SEC Jim Alpharetta Battery

AD4MC Mike Sandy Springs Battery

AC4PA Pavel Alpharetta Battery

K4AWF Tony Alpharetta Battery

AK4TL Clyde Dunwoody Battery

WO4MW Mark Sandy Springs Battery

KM4EQA Richard Dallas Battery

N1DQC Stuart Sandy Springs Commercial

KK4TSJ Charles Smyrna Commercial

KM4EQS Bill Tucker Battery

K4UPI Lorrie Roswell Commercial

N4IRR Mike East Cobb Battery

K4RGK Darryl Roswell Battery

KB4KBS Scott Roswell Mobile

KF4UPO Mike Norcross Echo Link

W4UOC Tom Sandy Springs Battery

KK4EQB Archie College Park Commercial

K4SBD Scott Roswell Battery

Total: 23 Check Ins

# 2262. //WL2K R/ ARES NET 11/23/2014

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2014-11-26 14:32:37 UTC
From: Michael Birmingham
Topic: 2262  Message: 2262

NFARES NET 11/23/2014

NCS K4LJG MIKE E. COBB COMM EC OF NFARES
ANCS AK4NA GARRY ROSWELL BATT
KM4AOO RICHARD POLK COUNTY, TN BATT
KK4PCR GRANT LAKE OCONY BATT EL
N4SBD SCOTT ALPH BATT
K4SQCD JOHN JOHNS CREEK BATT
AD4MC MIKE SANDY SPRINGS BATT
AC4PA PAVEL ALPHARETTA BATT
K4RA TIM ROSWELL BATT
K4AWF TONY ALPHARETTA COMM
KG5WU WAYNE SANDY SPRINGS BATT
KT4LS LEE PEACHTREE CORNERS, GWINNETT ARES BATT
N1DQC STU SANDY SPRINGS COMM
WB6LPY KEN COMM EL
K4RGK DARYL ROSWELL COMM
KM4EQA RICHARD DALLAS COMM
K4UPI LORI ROSWELL COMM
KM4EQS PHIL TUCKER COMM
KK4HUC MARY DORALVILLE COMM

WE HAD 19 CHECK INS INCLUDING MYSELF. NEXT NET IS 11/30/14. NET ENDED AT 0901 PM LCL.

# 2263. Pedal Generator

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2014-11-27 18:55:08 UTC
From: pavel.anni@...
Topic: 2263  Message: 2263

Just found this on Amazon:
K-tor Power Box 20 Watt Pedal Generator, Emergency Charger, Any Portable Devices Charger, Can Charge a 12 Volt Battery, Lightweight, Strong Polycarbonate Plastic
http://www.amazon.com/dp/B00EZS8VQS/ref=cm_sw_r_fa_dp_Wm1Dub12KS5XM

http://www.amazon.com/dp/B00EZS8VQS/ref=cm_sw_r_fa_dp_Wm1Dub12KS5XM

K-tor Power Box 20 Watt Pedal Generator, Emergen...
http://www.amazon.com/dp/B00EZS8VQS/ref=cm_sw_r_fa_dp_Wm1Dub12KS5XM Find the biggest selection of products from K-TOR with the lowest prices. Shop online for mowers, grills, garden tools, generators, snow blowers and more at...

View on www.amazon.com http://www.amazon.com/dp/B00EZS8VQS/ref=cm_sw_r_fa_dp_Wm1Dub12KS5XM
Preview by Yahoo

and thought it might be a useful addition to one's preparedness kit. Gas can become scarce, sun can be behind the clouds, but as a last resort you can use your own energy and convert it to electricity!

Stay safe,
73,
Pavel AC4PA

# 2264. Re: [nfares] Pedal Generator

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2014-11-27 19:05:58 UTC
From: Mike Cohen
Topic: 2263  Message: 2264

Pavel,

If I provide you with the food and water(or other beverages), will you do all the pedaling? ;-)

73,
Mike - AD4MC

Mike Cohen
(404) 981-8624

On Thu, Nov 27, 2014 at 1:55 PM, pavel.anni@... [nfares] <nfares-noreply@yahoogroups.com> wrote:

>
>
> Just found this on Amazon:
> K-tor Power Box 20 Watt Pedal Generator, Emergency Charger, Any Portable
> Devices Charger, Can Charge a 12 Volt Battery, Lightweight, Strong
> Polycarbonate Plastic
> <http://www.amazon.com/dp/B00EZS8VQS/ref=cm_sw_r_fa_dp_Wm1Dub12KS5XM>
> [image: image]
> <http://www.amazon.com/dp/B00EZS8VQS/ref=cm_sw_r_fa_dp_Wm1Dub12KS5XM>
> K-tor Power Box 20 Watt Pedal Generator, Emergen...
> <http://www.amazon.com/dp/B00EZS8VQS/ref=cm_sw_r_fa_dp_Wm1Dub12KS5XM>
> Find the biggest selection of products from K-TOR with the lowest prices.
> Shop online for mowers, grills, garden tools, generators, snow blowers and
> more at...
> View on www.amazon.com
> <http://www.amazon.com/dp/B00EZS8VQS/ref=cm_sw_r_fa_dp_Wm1Dub12KS5XM>
> Preview by Yahoo
>
>
>
> and thought it might be a useful addition to one's preparedness kit. Gas
> can become scarce, sun can be behind the clouds, but as a last resort you
> can use your own energy and convert it to electricity!
>
> Stay safe,
> 73,
> Pavel AC4PA
>
>
>
>

# 2265. //WL2K R/ North Fulton Ares Net Meeting 30 November 2014

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2014-12-02 02:30:19 UTC
From: Fred Ackley
Topic: 2265  Message: 2265

The North Fulton County ARES had the following check-ins during the regular Sunday weekly ARES net held on the 147.06 repeater located in Roswell:

KK4JYO, Fred, Roswell, Battery Power NCS
AK4NA, Garry, Roswell,Battery Power
K4LJG, Mike, E Cobb, Commercial Power - North Fulton EC, ANCS
KK4USI, Gerry, Alpharetta, Battery Power,
W4UOC Tom, Sandy Springs, Battery Power
K4RA Tim, Roswell, Battrery Power
AD4MC, Mike, Sandy Springs, Battery Power
AK4EX Stuart, Sandy Springs, Battery Power
AC4PA, Pavel, Alpharetta, Battery Power
N4SEC, Jim, Alpharetta, Battery Power
K4AWF, Tony, Alpharetta, Commercial Power
KG5WU Wayne, Sandy Springs, Battery Power
WB6LPY, Ken, Hickory Flat/Canton, Commercial Power
KK4TSJ Charles, Smyrna, Commercial Power
KM4EQA, Richard, West Cobb,Batteryl Power
AK4TL, Clyde, Dunwoody, Battery Power Echolink
KM4EQS Bill, Tucker, Commercial Power
N4BTA Brett, Alpharetta, Battery Power

Comments were made concerning the GA Metro ARES check-in scheduled for Sundays at 4:00PM on 145.43 (PL107.2), a reminder for Tech Talk on Monday nights, and the NFARL Christmas dinner on Dec 20.

Net Closed at 9:00 PM, EST

# 2266. //wl2k r/ ARES NET Report

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2014-12-08 12:51:59 UTC
From: Michael Birmingham
Topic: 2266  Message: 2266

NFARES NET 12-7-2014

NCS K4LJG MIKE E COBB COMM EC OF NORTH FULTON
ANCS AD4MC MIKE SANDY SPRINGS BATT
W4UOC TOM SANDY SPRINGS BATT
AK4NA GARRY ROSWELL BATT
KK4USI GERRY ALPHARETTA BATT
K4SQC JOHN JOHNS CREEK BATT
KK4KKF STU CUMMING COMM
KK4JYO FRED ROSWELL BATT
WB6LPY KEN HICHORY FLATS COMM
K4RA TIM ROSWELL BATT
K4AWF TONY ALPHARETTA COMM
N4SEC JIM ALPHARETTA BATT
KM4EQA RICHARD DALLAS BATT
KM4EQS BILL TUCKER COMM
KI4DSO GEORGE NORCROSS COMM
N1DQC STU SANDY SPRINGS COMM
WA6NGC MARK SNELLVILLE COMM

WE HAD 17 CHECK INS. NEXT NET ON SUNDAY 12-14-2014. NET CLOSED AT 8:57 LOCAL TIME.

# 2267. Tonight's meeting

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2014-12-09 15:12:36 UTC
From: Michael Birmingham
Topic: 2267  Message: 2267

Tonight's North Fulton ARES Meeting!!

Tonight is all about you! You don’t want to miss tonight. Bring your questions, comments, suggestions, desires, etc. to tonight’s meeting at seven o’clock at the Brandon Hall School.

Brandon Hall School
1701 Brandon Hall Drive, Atlanta, GA 30350

See you tonight at seven o’clock!

Mike, K4LJG EC of North Fulton.

www.nfares.org <http://www.nfares.org/>

# 2268. Upcoming events and ARES Nets as discussed last night

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2014-12-10 15:03:28 UTC
From: Michael Birmingham
Topic: 2268  Message: 2268

ARRL 10 Meter Contest 2014 this weekend
http://www.arrl.org/10-meter
NFARL 2014 Holiday Party Dinner December 20
http://www.nfarl.org/mart/2014_Holiday_Party_Dinner
The next Rookie Roundup will be Sunday, December 21, using CW
http://www.arrl.org/rookie-roundup
2015 TechFest is on January 10th
http://www.gars.org/w4gr/

GA ARES Sunday
4:30 PSK 3.583 MHZ
5:00 HF 3.975 MHZ
Monthly Metro Atlanta Net
First Sunday of the month
4:00 145.43 – 107.5
Many other county nets
http://gaares.org/links.php

# 2269. Twitter Text Alerts

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2014-12-11 00:18:13 UTC
From: Michael Birmingham
Topic: 2269  Message: 2269

The question has come up as to how to get text alerts on your smart phone.

NFARES uses Twitter to send alerts to your cell phone.

Text “follow nfares1" to 40404 without the quotes. This is how to subscribe.

To unsubscribe text “leave nfares1”. To reactivate text “on nfares1”.

Thanks to Jim, W4QO for setting this system up for us.

Mike,
K4LJG

# 2270. Winter Weather and Skywarn

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2014-12-11 02:40:15 UTC
From: Michael Birmingham
Topic: 2270  Message: 2270

We talked at the last meeting about weather. I don’t know a lot about the Skywarn system but if you go to the website http://www.georgiaskywarn.com <http://www.georgiaskywarn.com/> I think it has the information we talked about. Let me know what you think.

Mike, K4LJG

# 2271. GA ARES State Meeting

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2014-12-12 14:52:13 UTC
From: Michael Birmingham
Topic: 2271  Message: 2271
Attachments: 1 described; binary payloads are missing from this source WARC

State Meeting
Saturday, January 24, 2015

Georgia Public Safety Training Center

1000 Indian Springs Drive

Forsyth, Georgia 3102

9:30am - 4:00pm

# 2272. Chattcomm dispatch frequency ?

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2014-12-14 03:21:32 UTC
From: w4uoc@...
Topic: 2272  Message: 2272

Do any of you that have scanners know the dispatch and Tac 1 frequencies
for Sandy Springs Chatcomm?
It is around 800Mhz

Tom Koch - W4UOC

# 2273. Re: [nfares] Chattcomm dispatch frequency ?

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2014-12-14 19:05:38 UTC
From: Tim Lemmon
Topic: 2272  Message: 2273

Tom.
Per Radio Reference website:Sandy Springs has one 800 MHz TAC channel.  Info here:http://www.radioreference.com/apps/db/?ctid=442

The information for Chatcomm isn't about frequencies in the trunking system, but talk groups.  Info here:http://www.radioreference.com/apps/db/?sid=1580
In my scanner, I also have the five Fulton county TAC channels programmed in.  Not sure if/when they're ever used, but I can start scanning them quickly if I want.
Tim

On Saturday, December 13, 2014 10:21 PM, "w4uoc@... [nfares]" <nfares-noreply@yahoogroups.com> wrote:

  Do any of you that have scanners know the dispatch and Tac 1 frequencies for Sandy Springs Chatcomm?It is around 800Mhz Tom Koch - W4UOC

# 2274. //WL2K R/ ARES NET Report 20141214

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2014-12-15 23:19:46 UTC
From: Cloud Nine
Topic: 2266  Message: 2274

HAPPY HOLIDAYS! TO ALL

NFARES SUNDAY NIGHT NET

Dec 14, 2014

NCS - KK4KKF Stu Cumm Comm
ANCS - KK4PCR Grant SS Comm

K4LJG MIKE E COBB COMM EC OF NORTH FULTON
AD4MC MIKE SANDY SPRINGS BATT
AK4NA GARRY ROSWELL BATT
KI4DSO GEORGE NORCROSS COMM
KK4USI GERRY ALPHARETTA BATT
N4SEC JIM ALPHARETTA BATT
K4RA TIM ROSWELL BATT
K4AWF TONY ALPHARETTA COMM
AK4EX STU SS BATT
WK4U TIM NORCROSS COMM
N4EDU EDUARDO W COBB COMM
KM4EQA RICHARD DALLAS BATT
N40KN WILL MILTON BATTERY
AK4TL CLYDE BATTERY
K4RDK DARRYL ROSWELL COMMM

WE HAD 17 CHECK INS. NEXT NET ON SUNDAY 12-21-2014. NET CLOSED AT 8:58 LOCAL TIME.

# 2275. NFARES 2-meter net, Sunday, December 21, 2014

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2014-12-22 02:04:59 UTC
From: Mike Cohen
Topic: 2275  Message: 2275

We had 16 check-ins on the NFARES 2-meter net, Sunday, December 21, 2014

K4LJG (EC) – Mike, E. Cobb, BP

KK4PCR – Grant, EL Lake Oconee

KK4USI – Gerry, Alpharetta, BP

KI4DSO – George, Norcross

N4SEC – Jim, Alphareta, BP,

N1DQC – Stew, Sandy Springs

KK4FOF – Mark, Roswell

K4AWF – Tony, Alpharetta

WB6LPY – Ken, Canton

N4BTA – Bret, Alpharetta, BP

KJ4CQJ – Elliott, Dekalp ARES, BP

KK4TSJ – Charles, Smyrna

N4MSS – Mike, Mobile

KM4EQA – Richard, Dallas

N4SBD – Scott, Alpharetta, BP

AD4MC (NCS) - Mike, Sandy Springs, BP

BP = Battery Power

EL = EchoLink

Comments:

Many good wishes for safe and happy holidays and a Merry Christmas

For W4QO - Jim

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which can be reached at *nfarl.dodropin.org <http://nfarl.dodropin.org/>* The
chat room is much
fun and where folks search and post links. Can't reach the repeaters?
Then fire up your *Echolink *and connect to node *355800 *to join in.

We welcome all NFARES members to be NCS at least once per year. The Net Script can be found at nfares.org.

The next scheduled net will be Sunday, December 28th This net closed at 8:52 PM.

73,

Mike - AD4MC

404-981-8624

# 2276. New file uploaded to nfares

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2014-12-23 20:09:06 UTC
From: nfares@yahoogroups.com
Topic: 201  Message: 2276

Hello,

This email message is a notification to let you know that
a file has been uploaded to the Files area of the nfares
group.

File : /Radios/UV-5R/UV-5R user manual.pdf
Uploaded by : mike_ad4mc <ad4mc.mike@...>
Description :

You can access this file at the URL:
https://groups.yahoo.com/neo/groups/nfares/files/Radios/UV-5R/UV-5R%20user%20manual.pdf

To learn more about file sharing for your group, please visit:
https://help.yahoo.com/kb/index?page=content&y=PROD_GRPS&locale=en_US&id=SLN15398

Regards,

mike_ad4mc <ad4mc.mike@...>

# 2277. New file uploaded to nfares

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2014-12-23 20:09:21 UTC
From: nfares@yahoogroups.com
Topic: 201  Message: 2277

Hello,

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group.

File : /Radios/UV-5R/Manual_Baofeng_UV-5R_v1.0-annotated_by_KC9HI.pdf
Uploaded by : mike_ad4mc <ad4mc.mike@...>
Description :

You can access this file at the URL:
https://groups.yahoo.com/neo/groups/nfares/files/Radios/UV-5R/Manual_Baofeng_UV-5R_v1.0-an
notated_by_KC9HI.pdf

To learn more about file sharing for your group, please visit:
https://help.yahoo.com/kb/index?page=content&y=PROD_GRPS&locale=en_US&id=SLN15398

Regards,

mike_ad4mc <ad4mc.mike@...>

# 2278. New UV-5R Manual

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2014-12-23 20:12:51 UTC
From: Mike Cohen
Topic: 2278  Message: 2278

NFARES Team,

Thanks to Fred, KK4JYO, we have an annotated user manual for the Baofeng UV5R radio and it can be downloaded from https://groups.yahoo.com/neo/groups/nfares/files/Radios/UV-5R/

Check out the other files at our site for lots of good info.

73,
Mike - AD4MC

Mike Cohen
(404) 981-8624

# 2279. Newest FAA-UAS Information Page with Various Educational Links (Do's & Don't//Legal Aspects//Hobby Rules & Use...etc..)

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2014-12-29 06:49:43 UTC
From: Mike Lozano
Topic: 2279  Message: 2279

ALCON,

There has been a lot of information and mis-information concerning the use of a UAS in the US Airspace by various types of operators, including Model Aircraft Operations (which has a specific definition IAW Section 333 and which contains information which states that Model Aircraft rules do not apply to Ham Radio applications).

So to inform the Atlanta Ham Radio Community, I am posting the FAA's Link (URL) to get interested person directly to the FAA's UAS website which contains more information than one can assimilate in one sitting. The link is:

www.faa.gov/uas

On this website, in the righthand column there is a "Highlights" box, which contain additional hyperlinks to other related topics. Probably the most important is Section 333. This is the section of the Federal Law which defines most, if not all, aspects of current guidance, so it is the basis of understanding all the other information. Therefore, please read Section 333 first.

Additionally, if there are any questions, anyone can contact me as some of the information is very FAA rule/definition specific and if these rules and definitions are not fully understood, some or most information will not be properly comprehended and I would certainly make myself available to clarify any questionable issues. While some of this information can be understood by private and higher rated pilots, not all of this information is pilot specific. Therefore, some sections may not be clear to rated pilots either.

As an additional asset, I can come to any club meeting and answer various questions so everyone can indeed reap the benefit of all the questions asked and answered. I cannot promise that everything can be answered right away, as some of the rules are currently/still under development.

Please take advantage of this website and all the links/information that are currently available. Additionally, check the website frequently as the information will be updated as the rules and procedures are formulated, finalized and/or revised, as necessary.

One last note. He FAA just joined an incentive program called "Know Before You Fly", which is a Industry-Based Program to address three (3) various groups of Operators: Recreational Users, Business Users and Public Entities. This is the last link in the Highlights section mentioned above. If Section 333 is written to "regulatory" for you, then please read the "Know Before You Fly" section for the information which may answer your questions.

I hope that the information provided in this email answers most of your questions to the newest UAS issues that are being currently being developed. I also hope that the website and the links provide, with the latest and greatest information, answers most, if not all, the questions you may have concerning this 21st century topic as it develops.

Mike
KF4UPO

# 2280. Re: Newest FAA-UAS Information Page with Various Educational Links (

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2014-12-30 00:04:08 UTC
From: Mike Lozano
Topic: 2280  Message: 2280

Newt,

Your question.....

How does the FAA define "Operator" in the context of model aircraft operations? Can more than one "Operator" operate the same model aircraft during a flight operation?

It seems (as this topic is currently under development) that the term "Operator" will vary in the future based upon which one of the three groups the "operation" falls into. The groups, once again are: the Recreational Users, the Business Users and Public Entities (police, Federal Agencies, etc....).

The answer to your question would fall into the "Recreational Users" category. This category is being reserved specifically for Modelers who belong to a community-based modelers rule group for operating their Model Aircraft, also called Remote Control (RC) operators!

Because of the legal definition, anyone who operates outside these community-based modeling groups and rules are NOT considered Recreational Users, including Ham Radio Operators.

The next part of you question, "Can more than one "Operator" operate the same model aircraft during a flight operation?".

At this time, the answer is NO, as it is addressed in Section 333 [Section 333 of the FAA Modernization and Reform Act of 2012 (FMRA)]. See the "highlights" section of the previous website link).

Yet certain exceptions are currently made for current larger model aircraft (jet and turboprop aircraft models). But the exceptions still only allows ONE Operator (meaning one responsible person) with as many assistants as he deems necessary. The rule requires that the OPERATOR maintain visual contact with his model/aircraft.

A possible issues transferring controls from one operator to another, where one operator thought the other operator was flying, yet noone was flying the model. This is actually a real problem when 2 pilots are flying one airplane...who is actually flying and how to transfer the controls so everyone knows who is actually manipulating the controls and who is not flying!

I believe that the "Recreational Operator" is currently defined in Section 333, but additional information may or may not be published in the future....depending upon the need to "redefine" or "further define" if any inconsistencies which may arise within this particular group (Recreational Operator).

When you think about it, the Hobbyists ("Modelers" or those better known as "Remote Control Operators") are pretty much defined in Section 333 which also speaks of Section 336 (this refers back to Public Law 112-95. [Requirements to Qualify as a Model Aircraft under the FAA Modernization and Reform Act of 2012 (P.L. 112-95, section 336)].

I hope this answers your questions, until the rule changes, if it does. I personally think it is going to change to clarify the definition for the different groups of operators (actual Pilots, RC Pilots, Modelers & Hobbists).

Regards,

Mike
KF4UPO

# 2281. Re: QRP W1AW Centennial

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2014-12-31 17:42:49 UTC
From: Mike Lozano
Topic: 2281  Message: 2281

Chuck,

You asked:

"What, on earth, are: noganaughts, QQ, and drones (relative to ham radio)???"

Ok, you asked for it, so here goes....

1. "Noganaughts" are really "NOGA + NAUGHTS"....so far it looks like a lot of southern words (yes we are in GA) ....but we're fixin to give you this Analysis:

NOGA is really means: = North (NO) + Georgia (GA) = NOGA, (just like the trigonometry (SOC-CAH-TOA) you had in 10th grade/High School, and...

NAUGHTS = are a bunch of folks (some Southern, some Yankees, and anyone else - even some Friendly Foreigners) who enjoy the ART of QRP (Low Power) Ham Radio Operations.

So then NOGANAUGHTS are (=) sworn in Members of the NOGA-QRP Club - a fine bunch of guys to associate with who are full of information and knowledge (and a bunch of other stuff too)! They can solve any of the World's QRP problems & questions and love using low power to get things done! Calls us "Energy Conversationists" for starts...we've been "called" and go by, a lot of other "signs"!

2. "QQ" - Stands for QRP Quarterly....a Journal Published by QRPAmateur Radio Club International (we, and some others, call it: QRP-ARCI - as Ham Radio operators have an acronym for everything.....makes them look and sound like they know what they are talking about.....I meant....Professional...even though we are Amateur Radio Operators (AROs)...next....

3. "Drones"...usually referred to as more than one type of Unmanned Military Aerial Vehicle or Platform where the bad guys meet up with a couple of devices called Copperheads, AIM-9s (aka: Rocket Propelled Projectiles of one make/model or another) and they get to meet their pre-proportioned 72 virgins quickly...in most cases...instantly! Recently this term was/is being redefined for clarification as technology booms, allowing the expansion of civilian sUAVs (Small Unmanned Aerial Vehicles) to be used in HAM applications (putting/wire-ring up ham antennas), but NOT define as a Modeler....as Hamsters don't meet the legal definition of a Modeler! Forrrgetaboutit 4 now!

4. "Relative to HAM Radio"...this could be a couple of things.

A) The Family (ie..Relatives) of a Pig..like Piglets (the offspring, therefore -Relative of a Pig);

B) A Spouse who doesn't "Get It" - meaning they don't appreciate the fine Art of Communication, never mind the Art of building (for pennies) what others charge big $$$$s for if bought at the local "HAM OUTLET" or via an online sale (these days);

C) Something to do with Amateur Radio!

D) Other cuts of lunch meats (Yankees sometimes refer to these meats as Cold-Cuts...why...I asked first....somebody Cuts the meats up and then puts the meats in the frig to keep them fresh...maybe they should be called "Cold Meats" - go figure).

E) ALL of the Above

Happy Year to All

Mike
KF4UPO

# 2282. North Fulton Amateur Radio Emergency Service - Sunday (12-28-14)

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2015-01-01 03:15:36 UTC
From: Grant Register
Topic: 2282  Message: 2282

We had 13 check-in:
K4LJG, MIKE, COBB COUNTY, UTILITY (ANC)
N4SBD, SCOTT, ALP, BATT
W4UOC, TOM, SANDY SPRINGS, BATT
AK4NA, GARRY,ROSWELL, BATT
KK4USI, GERALD, ALP, BATT
K4RA, TIM, ROSWELL, BATT
WB6LPY, KEN, HICKORY FLAT, UTILITY
K4AWF, TONY, ALP, UTILITY
WO4MW, MARK, SANDY SPRINGS, BATT
KE4EM, BOB, ROSWELL, BATT
KK4ZGZ, CODY, JOHNS CREEK, BATT
KK4JYO, FRED, CALIFORNIA, ECHOLINK
KK4PCR, GRANT, SANDY SPRINGS, UTILITY, (NET CONTROL)

# 2283. Announcing a Joint ARES Net on Sunday 1/18 @ 8p

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2015-01-02 09:41:47 UTC
From: wcchapman@...
Topic: 2283  Message: 2283

Please join us for a Joint ARES Net on Sunday January 18 2015 at 8pm local time.

The purpose of the net is to allow participants to work together in a joint exercise and to become familiar with the names, call signs and voices of hams in neighboring jurisdictions.

To learn more, including repeater frequencies / offsets / tones, please follow this link.

http://nfares.org/JointAresNet
http://nfares.org/JointAresNet http://nfares.org/JointAresNet

73 de Wayne / kg5wu

# 2284. Emergency Management Institute - Independent Study (IS) | NIMS Courses

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2015-01-13 14:48:14 UTC
From: Mike Cohen
Topic: 2284  Message: 2284

NFARES Team,

At tonight's meeting, we will be discussing the FEMA online NIMS Courses. (If you don't know what the acronym "NIMS" stands for, you definitely need to take these courses.) You can get a head start by going to:

http://training.fema.gov/is/nims.aspx

Our goal is to have each of us take (and pass) the IS-100b, IS-200b, IS-700a and IS-800b courses. We might even be able to complete the IS-100b together at tonight's meeting. Bring your laptop or tablet.

See you there...

73,
Mike - AD4MC

Mike Cohen
(404) 981-8624

# 2285. Fwd: [Gwinnett ARES] Joint ARES Net on Sunday January 18 2015

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2015-01-15 13:03:32 UTC
From: Mike Cohen
Topic: 2285  Message: 2285

FYI
---------- Forwarded message ----------
From: Hal Collier hcollier42@gmail.com [gwinnettares] <
gwinnettares@yahoogroups.com>
Date: Thu, Jan 15, 2015 at 12:17 AM
Subject: [Gwinnett ARES] Joint ARES Net on Sunday January 18 2015
To: gwinnettares@yahoogroups.com

Please join us for a Joint ARES Net on Sunday January 18 2015 at 8pm local time.

The purpose of the net is to allow participants to work together in a joint exercise and to become familiar with the names, call signs and voices of hams in neighboring jurisdictions.

The net will rotate among three ARES repeaters. Each ARES group will host a net. All interested persons are encouraged to check into each of the three nets.

The Net Control Station for each ARES net will take check-ins. Please listen for the check-in criteria requested by Net Control. After a round of check-ins and some general announcements, the NCS will direct you to move to another repeater.

Part of the exercise is to determine your own ability to hit a repeater used by another ARES group. Even if you are unable to hit it, you will still likely be able to monitor it. Please monitor each of the three nets and move to the next one when directed by Net Control.

The first net will be called by DeKalb ARES beginning at 8p on Sunday Jan 18. The other nets will follow when participants are released from each net.

Here is the list of ARES repeaters being used for this exercise. Please program your radios in advance so you will be ready.
ARES Group Frequency Offset Tone DeKalb ARES 145.450 - PL 107.2 North Fulton ARES 147.060 + PL 100.0 Atlanta ARES 146.820 - PL 146.2

Please take part in this exercise and see if you can reach these repeaters.
Hal Collier W4IGE
Gwinnett ARES Emergency Coordinator

# 2286. New file uploaded to nfares

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2015-01-15 23:00:05 UTC
From: nfares@yahoogroups.com
Topic: 201  Message: 2286

Hello,

This email message is a notification to let you know that
a file has been uploaded to the Files area of the nfares
group.

File : /2015 NFARES Jan 2015.pptx
Uploaded by : birmham@... <birmham@...>
Description : Powerpoint for January 2015 Meeting

You can access this file at the URL:
https://groups.yahoo.com/neo/groups/nfares/files/2015%20NFARES%20Jan%202015.pptx

To learn more about file sharing for your group, please visit:
https://help.yahoo.com/kb/index?page=content&y=PROD_GRPS&locale=en_US&id=SLN15398

Regards,

birmham@... <birmham@...>

# 2287. ARES Volunteers in Ohio Activate Following Loss of 911, Telephone Services

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2015-01-16 03:09:35 UTC
From: Mike Cohen
Topic: 2287  Message: 2287

Here's a real example showing that this stuff really happens...

http://www.arrl.org/news/ares-volunteers-in-ohio-activate-following-loss-of-911-telephone-services

73,
Mike - AD4MC

Mike Cohen
(404) 981-8624

# 2288. Search continues for missing 25-year-old Buford man

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2015-01-17 20:01:50 UTC
From: Mike Cohen
Topic: 2288  Message: 2288

NFARES & NFARL Teams,

Stu Mitchell, KK4KKF, just called and asked me to let you know that there is a search going on in the Buford area for a missing 25 year man by the name of Kelly Nash,

http://www.11alive.com/story/news/local/buford/2015/01/12/kelly-nash-missing/21672147/

The Gwinnett County Police are asking for volunteers to help with the search. (DO NOT SELF DEPLOY)

The Gwinnett County Police Department's phone number is: 770-513-5300

The searchers' command center is at 4460 Commerce Drive, Buford.

If you have the time and interest, you may be able to help.

73,
Mike - AD4MC

Mike Cohen
(404) 981-8624

# 2289. Call for Volunteers - Publix Georgia Marathon - Sunday March 22, 2015

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2015-01-18 13:11:59 UTC
From: wcchapman@...
Topic: 2289  Message: 2289

It is that time of year.....

Here is a link to the sign up sheet for the 2015 GA Publix Marathon on Sunday March 22, 2015

http://tiny.cc/2015GAMarathon http://tiny.cc/2015GAMarathon

As always we are looking for many volunteers for this event. Please help spread the word.

Thank you.

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Elliott
KJ4CQJ

# 2290. NORTH FULTON ARES NET 1-25-2015

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2015-01-26 03:03:34 UTC
From: Michael Birmingham
Topic: 2290  Message: 2290

NORTH FULTON ARES NET 1-25-2015

NCS K4LJG MIKE E. COBB COMM EC OF NFARES
ANCS AK4NA GARRY ROSWELL BATT
K4IJK JANICE R.I. ECHOLINK
KK4PCR GRANT LAKE OCONEE ECHOLINK
KK4UBQ CATHERINE WOODSTOCK COMM
KK4USI GERRY ALPHA BATT
W4UOC TOM SANDY SPRINGS BATT
KG5WU WAYNE SANDY SPRINGS BATT
K4RA TIM ROSWELL BATT
AK4EX STUART SANDY SPRINGS BATT
AC4PA PAVEL ALPHA BATT
KI4DSO GEORGE NORCROSS BATT
N4SEC JIM ALPHA BATT
K4AWF TONY ALPHA COMM
KK4JYO FRED ROSWELL BATT
N4BTA BRETT ALPH BATT
KT4LS LEE PEACHTREE CORNERS BATT GWINNETT ARES
N1DQC STU SANDY SPRINGS COMM
KM4EQA RICHARD DALLAS BATT
KM4HFH STEVEN ALPHA BTT
K4RGK DARYL ROSWELL BATT
K4UPI LORI ROSWELL BATT
KE4EM BOB ROSWELL BATT
N4TOL JOHN ROSWELL COMM
KK4ZGZ COTY MARIETTA BATT CHEROKEE ARES
KM4GRC JOHN SANDY SPRINGS BATT
AD4MC MIKE SANDY SPRINGS BATT MOBILE

NET CLOSED AT 9:10 PM EST Next net will be February 1, 2015.

COMMENTS
K4IJK JANICE. RI and New England is on a weather watch for a potential blizzard and high winds.
KG5WU Wayne. Joint ARES net had 128 check ins, 40 Dekalb, 40 NF, and 48 Atlanta. GA ARES meeting in Forsyth, GA yesterday. Wayne, Jim N4SEC, Catherine KK4UBQ and Greg KK4UBP made it to the meeting.
KK4JYO Fred suggested the program GPS Copilot and is available for the iPhone, iPad, and Android phones. It will work just using the GPS without WIFI or cell coverage.

# 2291. Fwd: [dekalbares] Digest Number 699

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2015-01-31 15:54:52 UTC
From: Mike Cohen
Topic: 2291  Message: 2291

FYI to anyone who used the Dekalb ARES repeater. You will need to add a
107.2 Hz tone.

73,
Mike - AD4MC

Mike Cohen
(404) 981-8624
---------- Forwarded message ----------
From: <dekalbares@yahoogroups.com>
Date: Sat, Jan 31, 2015 at 8:07 AM
Subject: [dekalbares] Digest Number 699
To: dekalbares@yahoogroups.com

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hueyhuecoyotl
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Re: New Repeater and new PL tone <#14b401a675d77204_1b> by "Steve
Garrison" n4seg
1c
Re: New Repeater and new PL tone <#14b401a675d77204_1c> by "W4TGA" bkanne
1d
Re: New Repeater and new PL tone <#14b401a675d77204_1d> by dschakett

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Fri Jan 30, 2015 3:17 pm (PST) . Posted by: "Olive, George"
hueyhuecoyotl
<george@...?subject=Re%3A%20New%20Repeater%20and%20new%20PL%20tone>
The new 145.45 repeater is up and operational at exchange park.

Be sure you have the PL tone programmed into your radio for the net this
Sunday. The PL tone is 107.2, you can also set your tone squelch to 107.2

if you like.

If you do not set the tone, the repeater will not relay your call. If you try to check in this Sunday and don't seem to be heard, check you tone settings.

Thanks to Steve, Barry, Dave, Mike, Mike & Richard who made this possible.

George Olive, AI4UR
EC, DeKalb County
Reply to sender
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. Reply to group
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. Reply via Web Post
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Fri Jan 30, 2015 4:02 pm (PST) . Posted by: "Steve Garrison" n4seg
<steve.n4tty@...?subject=Re%3A%20New%20Repeater%20and%20new%20PL%20tone>
And George too!!!!!!

Steve G./N4TTY
Sent from my iPhone

> On Jan 30, 2015, at 18:17, "'Olive, George' george@...
[dekalbares]" <dekalbares@yahoogroups.com> wrote:
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>
> Thanks to Steve, Barry, Dave, Mike, Mike & Richard who made this possible.
>
> George Olive, AI4UR
> EC, DeKalb County

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Reply to sender
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Fri Jan 30, 2015 4:42 pm (PST) . Posted by: "W4TGA" bkanne
<radio.w4tga@gmail.com?subject=Re%3A%20New%20Repeater%20and%20new%20PL%20tone>
George is too modest.

Barry Kanne - iPhone

On Jan 30, 2015, at 7:01 PM, Steve Garrison steve.n4tty@...
[dekalbares] <dekalbares@yahoogroups.com> wrote:

And George too!!!!!!

Steve G./N4TTY
Sent from my iPhone

> On Jan 30, 2015, at 18:17, "'Olive, George' george@...
[dekalbares]" <dekalbares@yahoogroups.com> wrote:
>
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>
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try to check in this Sunday and don't seem to be heard, check you tone
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> Thanks to Steve, Barry, Dave, Mike, Mike & Richard who made this possible.
>
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> EC, DeKalb County

Reply to sender
<radio.w4tga@...?subject=Re%3A%20New%20Repeater%20and%20new%20PL%20tone>

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XNnBHNsawN2bXNnBHN0aW1lAzE0MjI3MDk2NDU->
Fri Jan 30, 2015 5:40 pm (PST) . Posted by: dschakett
<dschakett@...?subject=Re%3A%20New%20Repeater%20and%20new%20PL%20tone>
This is great. Looking forward to checking it out. Thank you for doing
this.

Sincerely,
David Schakett
Grillin' Magic®
The Grill Warrior®
404-840-6707

In a message dated 1/30/2015 6:17:15 P.M. Eastern Standard Time,
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# 2292. //WL2K R/ North Fulton Ares Net Meeting 1 Feb 2015

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2015-02-02 22:20:48 UTC
From: Inspector Gadget
Topic: 2292  Message: 2292

The North Fulton County ARES had the following check-ins during the regular Sunday weekly ARES net held on the 147.06 repeater located in Roswell:

KK4JYO, Fred, Roswell, Battery Power NCS
AD4MC, Mike, Sandy Springs, Battery Power, ANCS
K4LJG, Mike, E Cobb, Commercial Power - North Fulton EC I/O
KK4USI, Gerry, Alpharetta, Battery Power,
W4UOC, Tom, Sandy Springs, Battery Power
K4DMN, Darren, Roswell, Battery Power
KG5WU, Wayne, Sandy Springs, Battery Power
KK4KKF, Stu, Cumming, Commercial Power I/O
KK4ZGZ, Cherokee County, Battery Power I/O
WW4MO, Marty, East Cobb, Battery Power

(ten total-- Impact- Super Bowl Sunday)!

Net Closed at 8:47PM, EST
Fred Ackley
KK4JYO

# 2293. NWS Tornado Drill Tomorrow

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2015-02-03 21:19:05 UTC
From: W4UOC
Topic: 2293  Message: 2293

> ARES in conjunction with NWS Peachtree City will conduct its Tornado Drill tomorrow (Wednesday) at 9:00am. In addition to HF on 3.975 Mhz linked FM analog repeater check ins are encouraged.
>
> D-STAR voice net active will be on D-Star repeaters linked to REF030B. All of the Georgia repeaters that are usually linked to REF030B will be available for net check ins.
>
> In addition, a D-RATS net will be held on the Georgia ARES ratflector, rat.gaares.org. You may check in via the CHAT screen or on the MESSAGE screen, send a message addressed to NCS.
>
> You don't have to be an ARES member to check in !
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>

# 2294. Loaner D/Star DV Dongle ?

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2015-02-08 17:05:22 UTC
From: w4uoc@...
Topic: 2294  Message: 2294

Several months ago I loaned my D/star DV Dongle to another ham to try and now find I have either lost it at home or it was not returned. If you have it I'd like to get it back to loan to another ham friend.

Tom Koch - W4UOC

# 2295. NFARES Digital Training

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2015-02-13 01:25:31 UTC
From: Mike Cohen
Topic: 2295  Message: 2295

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73,
Mike - AD4MC

Mike Cohen
(404) 981-8624

# 2296. Re: NFARES Digital Training

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2015-02-15 15:14:15 UTC
From: Mike Cohen
Topic: 2295  Message: 2296
Attachments: 3 described; binary payloads are missing from this source WARC

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As a heads up, keep the following information handy during the net. We will use it to help you set up your D-Rats software: http://www.d-rats.com/

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# 2297. OT: DOT/FAA releases NEWEST UAS RULES

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2015-02-15 17:25:18 UTC
From: Mike Lozano
Topic: 2297  Message: 2297

> Subject: DOT/FAA releases NEWEST UAS RULES
>
> Alcon,

> See:
>
> http://www.faa.gov/news/press_releases/news_story.cfm?newsId=18295
>
> Comments are being requested!
>
> So here is your gateway to make your input into currently changing FAA Rules & Regulations!
>
> Your input can make a difference!
>
> Mike
> KF4UPO

# 2298. Re: NFARES Digital Training

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2015-02-15 18:18:13 UTC
From: Mike Cohen
Topic: 2295  Message: 2298
Attachments: 3 described; binary payloads are missing from this source WARC

NFARES Team,

Another spoiler alert: Just found a great doc that was enhanced by N3TSZ.
You can download it from

http://gaares.org/digital/

At the bottom of that link, you will find:
Detailed information on getting started with D-RATS
<http://gaares.org/digital/DRATS.pdf> <-- Click on this link for the doc.

We'll be using that doc for the training.

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Mike - AD4MC

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# 2299. Lunch - Today!

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2015-02-16 17:03:30 UTC
From: Mike Lozano
Topic: 2299  Message: 2299

Late notice ....

The Downwind Restaurant at PDK Airport....

12:30...12:45 +/- arrival

Come if you can...and talk Ham, drones, etc......

Mike
KF4UPO

# 2300. RJ-45 2 way switch

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2015-02-17 03:22:50 UTC
From: Jim Stafford
Topic: 2300  Message: 2300
Attachments: 2 described; binary payloads are missing from this source WARC

I think I posted this before but I needed a switch to choose between
my mic and my signalink on my 2M rig which has an RJ-45 mic input.

http://www.dx.com/p/mini-2-port-rj45-manual-network-switch-white-58286#.VOKzBywlm5I

I can't find the one I purchased but this is the same brand/etc. It is
about $5 free
shipping.

WA4ZXV put me onto one that was $3.45 and free shipping but can't find
it right now. Not that much difference in price anyway. Works great!

I've dealt with DealExtreme in past and it's always been good service.

jim/w4qo

Mini 2-Port RJ45 Manual Network Switch - White Mini 2-Port RJ45 Manual
Network Switch - White

# 2301. NFARES Digital Training, Wednesday, 18 February 2015

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2015-02-17 20:31:40 UTC
From: nfares@yahoogroups.com
Topic: 2301  Message: 2301
Attachments: 1 described; binary payloads are missing from this source WARC

NFARES Digital Training reminder
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# 2302. Re: [nfares] NFARES Digital Training, Wednesday, 18 February 2015

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2015-02-17 22:47:40 UTC
From: Mike Cohen
Topic: 2301  Message: 2302
Attachments: 1 described; binary payloads are missing from this source WARC

To All,

Digital Training net is 8:30 PM Eastern Standard Time on Wednesday night.

Not surprisingly, the NFARES blog is having the same time problems as the NFARL blog.

Thanks, Tim, K4RA, for spotting this.

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Date: 2015-02-18 19:31:29 UTC
From: nfares@yahoogroups.com
Topic: 2301  Message: 2303
Attachments: 1 described; binary payloads are missing from this source WARC

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http://www.hamradio.com/detail.cfm?pid=71-001698
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The good news: If you already have a PC with Internet connection, there is no cost to get fully set up using the D-Rats software; http://www.d-rats.com/ that can be used instead of, or in addition to, D-Star on RF if you already have a D-Star radio.

We can all start using D-Rats on the Internet and then move over to RF with those who have D-Star radios. Those who don't have D-Star Radios can continue to join us using the Internet.

Ideally, we will all get the digital bug and continue these nets weekly to install, learn and become proficient with the many digital modes available to us. The more tools we have in our "ham ingenuity" tool bag, the better we will perform during a real emergency situation.

"See you" on the nets...

73,
Mike - AD4MC

Mike Cohen
(404) 981-8624

From: nfares Calendar

Privacy:
http://privacy.yahoo.com/privacy/us

Terms:
http://docs.yahoo.com/info/terms/

# 2304. NFARES 2-meter Digital Training Net, Wednesday, February 18, 2015

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2015-02-19 14:42:19 UTC
From: Mike Cohen
Topic: 2304  Message: 2304

We had 10 check-ins on the NFARES 2-meter Digital Training Net, Wednesday, February 18, 2015

KK4USI – Gerry

W4UOC – Tom

N4SEC – Jim

K4RA – Tim

KK4YDQ – Mike

KK4PCR – Grant

K4AWF – Tony

KJ4CQJ – Elliott

KK4JYO - Fred

AD4MC (NCS) - Mike

The next scheduled net will be Wednesday, February 25, 2015. This net closed at 9:35 PM.

73,

Mike - AD4MC

404-981-8624

# 2305. NFARES Digital Net using D-Rats

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2015-02-20 22:43:57 UTC
From: Mike Cohen
Topic: 2305  Message: 2305

*NOTE: **You DO NOT need a D-Star radio for the Digital Training Net or actual events.*

One of the big questions from the Digital net was how to "bridge" D-Star radios and ratflectors.

Having a local RF-Internet bridge station means that an RF D-Rats station could communication with Internet D-Rats stations anywhere in the world.

Thanks to Wayne, KG5WU, steering me in the right direction, here's the answer...

YES, IT WORKS !!! It takes 3 PCs and 2 radios to test it. (You can test it with 2 PCs, but that's a bit dicey)

- PC#1 has BOTH Internet & RF (D-Star radio #1) and is running *D-Rats Repeater Proxy*. This is the bridge station. (Software is found in D-Rats directory.)
- PC#2 has ONLY RF (D-Star radio #2) and running *D-Rats Communications Tool*
- PC#3 has ONLY Internet and running *D-Rats Communications Tool*

PC#2 and PC#3 can exchange all D-Rats functions just like we all did with Only Internet
on the net. (PC#1 just sits there with no visible activity, except on the radio screen. Might be a good Pi project.)

See:
http://www.d-rats.com/documentation/4-howtos/29-running-your-own-ratflector/

I am running both radios on simplex (144.900 DV), but could use repeaters. HOWEVER, see note from above link:
*NOTE*: Please take into consideration the RF network you're providing access to. If you're linked to a repeater, make sure the owner approves of the additional data load. If that repeater is linked to a reflector, it's probably not appropriate to provide access to external users that don't realize this unless the reflector owner has made specific provisions for data use. *If you abuse the ability to link network users to RF you will inevitably find data operation banned on the various network nodes*.

On the D-Rats Repeater Proxy, I am set up with...
3.2. Scenario 3: Bridging local RF users to the public ratflector
(We could use any ratflector and suggest GAARES for the net)

We can practice all of this on the next net. (We'll discuss what happens when PC#1 (bridge PC) is running both D-Rats Communications Tool and D-Rats Repeater Proxy at the same time. Hint: DO NOT enable any com port for a

D-Star radio on D-Rats Communications Tool) Those who do have D-Star radios can use them on the net if they can reach my QTH with 144.900 DV simplex. We can see what happens if others set up a D-Rats Repeater Proxy too.

FUN!!

73,
Mike - AD4MC

Mike Cohen
(404) 981-8624

# 2306. Re: [nfares] Digest Number 1621/digital

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2015-02-21 11:19:30 UTC
From: Mike Lozano
Topic: 2306  Message: 2306

Gents,

There is another configuration which also works, but has to be tested for compatibility....

That is: A PC with a DV-Dongle!

I have such a configuration, but need to figure how to use it...maybe a project for this weekend!

Thoughts?

Regards,

Mike
KF4UPO

On Feb 21, 2015, at 5:34, nfares@yahoogroups.com wrote:

> North Fulton ARES Group
> 1 Message Digest #1621
> 1 NFARES Digital Net using D-Rats by "Mike Cohen" mike_ad4mc
> Message
> 1 NFARES Digital Net using D-Rats
> Fri Feb 20, 2015 2:44 pm (PST) . Posted by: "Mike Cohen" mike_ad4mc
> *NOTE: **You DO NOT need a D-Star radio for the Digital Training Net or
> actual events.*
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> One of the big questions from the Digital net was how to "bridge" D-Star
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> too.
>
> FUN!!
>
> 73,
> Mike - AD4MC
>
> Mike Cohen
> (404) 981-8624
> Reply to sender . Reply to group . Reply via Web Post . All Messages (1) . Top ^
> VISIT YOUR GROUP New Members 2
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# 2307. NFARES 2-meter Digital Training Net, Wednesday, February 25, 2015

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2015-02-26 18:51:29 UTC
From: Mike Cohen
Topic: 2307  Message: 2307

We had 10 check-ins on the NFARES 2-meter Digital Training Net, Wednesday, February 25, 2015

W4UOC – Tom (RF)

K4AWF – Tony

KK4USI – Gerry

K4LJG – Mike

KK4PCR – Grant

N4SEC – Jim

K4BB - Bob

KM4GRC - John

KG5WU - Wayne

AD4MC (NCS) - Mike

The next scheduled Digital Training Net will be as decided by the NFARES Team. This net closed at 9:34 PM.

73,

Mike - AD4MC

404-981-8624

# 2308. NFARES Sunday Night Net - 2-22-2015

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2015-02-27 00:02:07 UTC
From: Grant Register
Topic: 2308  Message: 2308

KK4PCR - GRANT - SANDY SPRINGS - C - NCS
K4LJF - MIKE - COBB - B - ANCS
KK4USI - GERRY - ALP - C
K4DMN - DARREN - ROS - B
KK4KKF - STUART - CUM - C
KK4YDQ - MIKE - ALP - B
K4RA - TIM - ROS - B
W2ASL - BILL - ALP - B
N4SEC - JIM - ALP - C
AD4MC - MIKE - SS - B
AK4EX - STU - SS - B
KK4JYO - FRED - ROS - B
W8LLX - STU - SS - B
KM4UPO - MIKE - NORCROSS - B
K4AWF - TONY - ALP - C
K4RGK - DARYL - ROS - B
KM4EQA - RICHARD - DALLAS - B
K4UPI - LORI - ROS - B
KF4OLO - LEE - KENNESAW - C
W4UOC - TOM - SS - B
AC4PA - PAVEL - ALP - B
KM4ARC - JOHN - SS - B

TOTAL OF 22 CHECK-INS. MY APOLOGIES FOR THIS LATE REPORT.

# 2309. NFARES 2-meter net, Sunday, March 1, 2015

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2015-03-02 02:29:54 UTC
From: Mike Cohen
Topic: 2309  Message: 2309

We had 21 check-ins on the NFARES 2-meter net, Sunday, March 1, 2015

K4LJG (EC) – Mike, E. Cobb, BP

KK4PCR (ANCS) – Grant, Sandy Springs

KM4GRC – John, Sandy Springs, EL

KK4USI – Gerry, Alpharetta, BP

KK4JYO – Fred, Roswell, BP

AK4NA – Garry, Roswell, BP

W8LLX – Stew, Sandy Springs, BP

N4SEC – Jim, Alphareta, BP,

AK4EX – Stuart, Sandy Springs, BP

N4BTA – Bret, Alpharetta, BP

K4RA – Tim, Roswell, BP

K4AWF – Tony, Alpharetta

KJ4CQJ – Elliott, Dekalp ARES, BP

K4IJK – Janice, Narragansett, RI, EL

K4RGK – Daryl, Roswel, BP

KM4EQA – Richard, Dallas, BP

K4UPI – Lori, Roswell

KF4UPO – Mike, Norcross, EL, BP

N4AAG – Rick, Marrietta

AC4PA – Pavel, Alpharetta

AD4MC (NCS) - Mike, Sandy Springs, BP

BP = Battery Power

EL = EchoLink

Comments:

KJ4CQJ – Elliott

GA Publix Marathon on March 22nd.

Sign up sheet: http://tiny.cc/2015GAMarathon

For W4QO - Jim

*Tech Chat Monday at* *8:30 PM on the 145.47 *repeater. Also, don't forget the CHAT ROOM
which can be reached at *nfarl.dodropin.org <http://nfarl.dodropin.org/>* The chat room is much
fun and where folks search and post links. Can't reach the repeaters? Then fire up your *Echolink *and connect to node *355800 *to join in.

We welcome all NFARES members to be NCS at least once per year. The Net Script can be found at nfares.org.

The next scheduled net will be Sunday, March 8th This net closed at 8:57 PM.

73,

Mike - AD4MC

404-981-8624

# 2310. PreField day HamCram?

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2015-03-04 05:41:15 UTC
From: Larry Martin
Topic: 2310  Message: 2310

Any chance someone could do a general hamcram before Field day?

Sent from Yahoo Mail on Android

# 2311. Opportunity to communication with high school student on Thursday, March 5th

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2015-03-04 12:59:55 UTC
From: Mike Cohen
Topic: 2311  Message: 2311

NFARL/NFARES/GARS Teams,

On Thursday, several NFARL/NFARES/GARS hams will be at the North Springs Charter High School to demonstrate communications with ham radio at their 5th annual STEM (Science, Technology, Engineering, Math) Event. We will be showing students, teachers and parents that STEM is a part of the fun and magic of ham radio.

Our goal is to interest students in becoming licensed ham radio operators and possibly even having one or more teachers set up radio clubs and stations in their schools. Martha, W4MSA, has coordinated to have several MSA (Mill Springs Academy) hams join us to do the student-to-student interfacing for us.

We'll have a 20 Meter HF station and 147.06 (+) 100 Hz voice and digital (MT63-2KL) stations set up, so give us a call to chat with the students. The stations will be operating from 9:00 AM - 4:30 PM; 5:30 - 6:00 PM and 6:45 - 8:00 PM.

If you would like to stop by to visit (7447 Roswell Road, Sandy Springs 30328), the STEM Event is open to the public from 5:30 - 6:00 PM and 6:45 - 8:00 PM. (Dress is business casual)

Looking forward to having you chat with the students on Thursday.

Martha - W4MSA
Chuck - AE4CW
Wes - W3WL
Jim - W4QO
John - K4SQC
Norm - WA4ZXV
Mike AD4MC

# 2312. Old Ham new Experience

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2015-03-08 19:07:02 UTC
From: w4uoc@...
Topic: 2312  Message: 2312

I've been an amateur now for 56 years and still get excited trying new adventures with this hobby. I recently picked up a used Flex 1500 and finally have figured out how it works. This morning I worked more that twenty countries, some new, with 5 watts ssb, on ten meters, for just a few minutes, during the contest.

Now I need to figure out how to operate the digital modes without an interface and understand that can be done with the Flex 1500. Do any of you have any experience with this set up with the Flex 1500? I have checked the Flex Knowledge Base web page but it seems a bit cryptic to me.

Tom Koch - W4UOC
_w4uoc@..._ (mailto:w4uoc@...)

# 2313. (no subject)

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2015-03-09 01:33:50 UTC
From: <swilliams2549@...>
Topic: 2313  Message: 2313

The following stations checked into the NFARES Sunday Night Net on March 8, 2015.

AK4EX, Stuart (NCS) – Sandy Springs, BP

AD4MC, Mike (ANCS) – Sandy Springs, BP

K4LJG, Mike, EC for NFARES, Via EL in Marlboro, MA

KK4USI, Gerry – Alpharetta, BP

AK4NA, Garry – Roswell, CP

KG5WU, Wayne – Sandy Springs, BP

N4SEC, Jim – Alpharetta, BP

K4RA, Jim – Roswell, BP

KK4JYO, Fred – Roswell, BP

KK4PCR, Grant - Sandy Springs, CP

K4AWF, Tony – Alpharetta, CP

K4RGK, Daryl, Roswell, BP,

K4UPI, Lori, Roswell, BP

KM4EQA, Richard – Dallas, CP

Legend:

BP-Battery Power

CP-Commercial Power

EL – EchoLink

NCS – Net Control Station

ANCS – Alternate Net Control Station

Comments:

Reminder that the NFARES is Tuesday evening March 10th.

K4RA is working the Roswell Fire Department regarding ARES and its ability to provide backup communications.

KK4JYO and AD4MC were involved the STEM program this past Thursday promoting Ham Radio. More to follow in the NRARL News.

KK4PCR will pick up the ACS slot on April 12 for KK4JYO

AK4NA will need a volunteer to take his next assigned date for NCS. Please contact Gary if you are able to fill in for him.

Net closed at approximately 8:54 pm local time.

There were 14Check-ins, including the NCS, during the NFARES March 8, 2015net. The next scheduled net will be Sunday, March 15, 2015 at 8:30 p.m. local time.

Thanks to all who checked in this evening, 73’s and have a great week.

Stuart, AK4EX

# 2314. Fwd: [Gwinnett ARES] Information on new NWS Impact Based Warnings [1 Attachment]

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2015-03-13 00:40:15 UTC
From: Mike Cohen
Topic: 2314  Message: 2314
Attachments: 1 described; binary payloads are missing from this source WARC

FWI,

It looks like this info will be displayed at http://www.srh.noaa.gov/

Thanks, Jim for the initial post and Hal for the heads up.

73,
Mike - AD4MC

Mike Cohen
(404) 981-8624
---------- Forwarded message ----------
From: Hal Collier

hcollier42@... [gwinnettares] <gwinnettares@yahoogroups.com>
Date: Thu, Mar 12, 2015 at 6:58 PM
Subject: [Gwinnett ARES] Information on new NWS Impact Based Warnings [1 Attachment]
To: gwinnettares@yahoogroups.com

Here is an email sent out from GA ARES concerning the experimental Impact Based Warnings that will be used by the NWS starting April 1st.
Our March meeting program will include a section on Impact Based Warnings so please read the attached PDF and be ready to ask questions at the meeting.

Thanks
Hal Collier W4IGE
Gwinnett ARES Emergency Coordinator

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Effective April 1st, the NWS will implement an experimental “Impact Based Warnings (IBW)”. See NWS attachment and message below.

Partners,

Beginning April 1, NWS Atlanta will implement the experimental *Impact Based Warnings (IBW). *These changes will affect both the Tornado and Severe Thunderstorm Warnings and the information contained within those warnings as well as the general layout. These changes are aimed at conveying the most critical information through the use of specific statements.

*For your information:*

- Attached is a one-pager describing the changes with some examples of what you will see that's different within the warnings.

Jim Millsap-WB4NWS
DEC-Metro Atlanta District ARES

# 2315. ARES Operators: Do NOT Miss Field Day

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2015-03-18 14:38:20 UTC
From: Mike Cohen
Topic: 2315  Message: 2315

FYI from ARRL...

- ARES Operators: Do NOT Miss Field Day
<https://mail.google.com/mail/u/0/#14c2c652f70ce8bc_toc03>

73,
Mike - AD4MC

Mike Cohen
(404) 981-8624

# 2316. //WL2K R/NFARES NET REPORT

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2015-03-19 18:50:13 UTC
From: Captain
Topic: 2316  Message: 2316

NFARES Net, 8:30 PM, Sunday, March 15, 2015

AK4NA Garry Roswell Net Control

AK4EX Stuart Sandy Springs Alternate Net Control

K4LJG Mike Marblehead, MA NFARES EC, Echolink

KK4USI Gerry Alpharetta

K4DMN Darren Roswell

KK4KKF Stu Cumming

KK4JYO Fred Roswell

KK4PCR Grant Sandy Springs

N4SEC Jim Alpharetta

AD4MC Mike Sandy Springs

K4AWF Tony Alpharetta

KM4GRC John Sandy Springs

KM4EQA Richard Dallas

W2ABL Bill Alpharetta

W8LLX Stu Sandy Springs

AB4HF Jeff DEC Ares Net

kk4ZGZ Cody Cherokee Ares

Net Concluded 8:54 PM

# 2317. FLDIGI MT63-2KL Digital Practice For A Cause

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2015-03-26 00:44:24 UTC
From: Mike Cohen
Topic: 2317  Message: 2317

NFARES Team,

What: FLDIGI MT63-2KL Digital Practice For A Cause

When: This Saturday, *March 28th from 11:00 AM until 4:00 PM*, will be a great time to practice your *FLDIGI* *MT63-2KL* digital skills. (See Fldigi Instructions <https://docs.google.com/document/d/16_2aw1F8oE6zgMAqdDMEOi2-RMrJfGp1VjOGiN-o9sU/edit> for download, installation and setup instructions. We will *not* be using flmsg for this event. Let me know if you need any help setting up fldigi.)

How: By
interactively sending and receiving text messages with
visitors at the Atlanta Science Festival
Expo
.

More Info: http://atlantasciencefestival.org/expo

Still more info: The GA Section of the ARRL, coordinated by Norm, WA4ZXV, will be setting up several radio stations and displays and one of them will be a Digital VHF station [*W4DOC - 146.82 (-) 146.2 Hz PL*] The digital station will be run by licensed students from Mill Springs Academy. IMHO, we were immensely successful when we did this at the STEM Event at North Springs Charter High School on March 5th. For that event, Eli, KM4HFZ (MSA student) and Fred, KK4JYO, enabled other students to send and receive "text" messages via radio without cell phones or the Internet...which was almost incomprehensible for most of them....and a HUGE hit. For that event, Eli and Fred heroically worked right through from 11:00 AM until 8:00 PM. We will have additional licensed students to help Eli this time and *we sure would appreciate your helping Fred, even for only a half hour or so from 11- 4pm*.

Please contact me so that we can set up some time slots to give Fred a break.

Of course, you are also welcome to come to visit the Expo in person.

Thanks & 73,
Mike - AD4MC

Mike Cohen
(404) 981-8624

# 2318. Fw: Tornado info

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2015-03-26 22:07:27 UTC
From: Jim Stafford
Topic: 2318  Message: 2318
Attachments: 1 described; binary payloads are missing from this source WARC

Not sure how many received this but it looks pretty cool. I've been monitoring and as yet no tornadoes!  Just kidding.  The repeater has been quiet for about 10 minutes now but I'm going to leave it running.
A great service by the Cher ARES.
jim/w4qo
----- Forwarded Message -----
From: Jim Millsap-WB4NWS <wb4nws@...>
To: WB4NWS Jim Millsap <wb4nws@...>
Sent: Thursday, March 26, 2015 1:58 PM
Subject: re: Tornado info

As most of you may have heard, tornadoes touch down yesterday in Moore and Sand Springs Oklahoma, as well as Arkansas. We are in that time of year that potential severe thunderstorms and tornadoes can happen. I have attached a page with radar snapshots from Moore, OK. and a paragraph that was published on the web. The interesting thing about this tornado was it spawned so quickly that NWS could not issue a tornado warning in time. This has happened in Cherokee County before, as a tornado just dropped down during a severe thunderstorm. As a reminder, anytime there is a potential of severe thunderstorms, especially with the difference of extreme temperature changes like 70’s to 30-40’s is usually an indicator of potential weather.  Cherokee County Amateur Radio Emergency Service (CCARES) has standard operating procedures to initiate an “informal net” when potential weather is headed our way and transition to a formal net when activated by Cherokee County Emergency Management Agency.  The weather nets will be held on the WB4NWS repeater, with a frequency of 145.430mhz (minus offset, TSQ 107.2hz for radios) and also can be monitored on your pc, laptop, iPhone or Android via an app: Scanner Radio Deluxe APP,  http://www.broadcastify.com/listen/feed/14997/web Stay tuned and safe.
Jim Millsap-WB4NWS
DEC-Metro Atlanta District ARES
cell 7703550480

# 2319. Fwd: FLDIGI MT63-2KL Digital Practice For A Cause

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2015-03-28 00:40:13 UTC
From: Mike Cohen
Topic: 2317  Message: 2319

Reconfirming that our primary repeater for voice and digital will be

*W4DOC 146.82 (-) 146.2 Hz PL*

Please join us.

73,
Mike - AD4MC

Mike Cohen
770-262-5212
---------- Forwarded message ----------
From: Mike Cohen <ad4mc.mike@...>
Date: Wed, Mar 25, 2015 at 8:44 PM
Subject: FLDIGI MT63-2KL Digital Practice For A Cause
To: NFARES <nfares@yahoogroups.com>

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Thanks & 73,
Mike - AD4MC

Mike Cohen
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# 2320. Fwd: [LxPeditionsAtlanta] Re: [NAQCC-News] NAQCC Central Texas Chapter Participating in Parks Event

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2015-03-30 14:24:58 UTC
From: Mike Lozano
Topic: 2320  Message: 2320

From: "Mike Lozano kf4upo@... [LxPeditionsAtlanta]" <LxPeditionsAtlanta@yahoogroups.com>
> Date: March 30, 2015 10:18:37 EDT
> To: "lxpeditionsatlanta@yahoogroups.com" <lxpeditionsatlanta@yahoogroups.com>
> Subject: [LxPeditionsAtlanta] Re: [NAQCC-News] NAQCC Central Texas Chapter Participating in Parks Event
> Reply-To: LxPeditionsAtlanta@yahoogroups.com,Mike Lozano <kf4upo@...>
>
> Ladies and Gents,
>
> I'm Reposting this message as a reminder for those wishing to participate in next Saturday's (4 April 2015) "Texas State Parks On The Air contest"! So dust off the QRP Rig, untangle that ball of wire (sometimes called an antenna) and Get on the Air with this NAQCC event - TEXAS style.
>
> Remember that the NAQCC is a club that is dedicated to QRP/QRPp type operations in the CW mode. They are also dedicated to simple Wire Antennas (sounds familiar)! They also encourage slow speed ops so new CW operators can learn the art of CW and allow them to build speed and experience!
>
> Mike
> KF4UPO
>
> On Mar 30, 2015, at 8:38, Paul Huff <paul142857@...> wrote:
>
> > The Central Texas Chapter will be participating in the Texas State Parks On The Air contest next Saturday the 4th of April.
> >
> > As I stated in the last newsletter, this will be a “Divide & Conquer” or as Texas Patriots said, for the Battle of Gonzales “Come and take it” event for the Central Texas Chapter.
> >
> > Joe, K5BRY # 6666, will be operating from The South Llano River State Park, and Larry, WB5BEK # 7534, Lester, WD4IFU #7676, Chris KD5GIK, and myself N5DRG, #5861, will be operating from Seminole Canyon State Park. Just a nice easy drive. About 150 miles for K5BRY, and 300 miles for Larry, Chris, Lester, and I.
> >
> > Operating Frequencies will be normal QRP frequencies. 7.040, 7.030, and The Central Texas Chapters weekly CW net operating frequency of 7.065MHz. all of these are + or – due to the other contest that are scheduled for that weekend per the ARRL Contest Calendar.
> >
> > If you have any questions please contact Danny Goodrum, N5DRG.
> >
> > South Llano River State Park http://tpwd.texas.gov/state-parks/south-llano-river <http://tpwd.texas.gov/state-parks/south-llano-river>

> > Seminole Canyon State Park http://tpwd.texas.gov/state-parks/seminole-canyon
<http://tpwd.texas.gov/state-parks/seminole-canyon>
> >
> > Paul - N8XMS
> > NAQCC Club President
> > NAQCC #0675
> > paul142857@gmail.com
> >
> >
> > _____
> > NAQCC-News mailing list
> > Home: http://mailman.qth.net/mailman/listinfo/naqcc-news
> > Help: http://mailman.qth.net/mmfaq.htm
> > Post: mailto:NAQCC-News@...
> >
> > This list hosted by: http://www.qsl.net
> > Please help support this email list: http://www.qsl.net/donate.html
> > Message delivered to kf4upo@...
>

# 2321. NFARES Sunday Evening Net - 147.060 - March 29, 2015

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2015-04-02 17:00:42 UTC
From: Grant Register
Topic: 2321 Message: 2321

KK4PCR - GRANT - SS - COM - NCAD4MC - MIKE - SS - B - ANCK4LJG - MIKE - E COBB - B - EC NFARESKK4USI - GERRY - ALP - COMW4UOC - TOM - SS - BKK4 JYO - FRED - ROS - BAC4PA - PAVEL - ALP - BKK4KKT - STU - CUM - COMN4SEC - JIM - FLA - ECHOLINKK4AWF - TONY - ALP - COMK4RA - TIM - ROS - COMK4RGK - DARRYL - ROS - BK4UPI - LORI - ROS - BKW4HQ - STEVEN - ALP - COMKM4EQA - RICHARD - DALLAS - BW4QO - JIM - E COBB - B
Next net will be April 5th @ 8:30 PM local time on 147.060

# 2322. Reliable Short Range HF Communications

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2015-04-14 13:52:24 UTC
From: Mike Cohen
Topic: 2322  Message: 2322

Interesting experiment...

http://www.arrl.org/news/ohio-ares-to-sponsor-nvis-antenna-day

73,
Mike - AD4MC

Mike Cohen
(404) 981-8624

# 2323. Icom America demonstrates indoor radio solution that leverages Wi-Fi connectivity | Icom content from Urgent Communications

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2015-04-14 21:04:17 UTC
From: Mike Cohen
Topic: 2323  Message: 2323

Hmmm....I wonder if Icom will come out with a ham radio version too...

http://urgentcomm.com/icom/icom-america-demonstrates-indoor-radio-solution-leverages-wi-fi-connectivity

73,
Mike - AD4MC

Mike Cohen
(404) 981-8624

# 2324. North Fulton Amateur Radio Emergency Service

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2015-04-19 13:51:30 UTC
From: Grant Register
Topic: 2324  Message: 2324

While work in my shack I was reminded that I had not sent out the net log for this past week (04-15-15).

KK4PCR GRANT SS COM NCK4LJG MIKE EC BATT
ANCKK4USI GERRY ALP COM W4UOC TOM SS BATTN4SEC
JIM ALP BATTAK4EX STUART SS BATTAC4PA PAVEL ALP
BATTN4BTA BRETT ALP BATTKK4JYO FRED MOB BATTKK4YDQ MIKE
MIL BATTKK4KKF STU CUM COMAD4MC MIKE SS BATTK4AWF
TONY ALP COMKM4EQA RICHARD DALLAS BATT
Total of 14 checked in to net.

# 2325. Bad Weather

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2015-04-20 19:32:19 UTC
From: Mike Cohen
Topic: 2325  Message: 2325

Hi All Y'All,

Am getting lots of tornado warning alerts on my phone while I am here in Boston. Are you OK?

73,
Mike - AD4MC

Mike Cohen
(404) 981-8624

# 2326. Fw: Tech Talk Chat Rm participants for last night + easyPAL TV next Monday after tech net

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2015-04-21 20:11:02 UTC
From: Jim Stafford
Topic: 2326  Message: 2326

Thanks to KI4SBL for grabbing the list of chat room participants again. If you'd like to review the "chats" from last night, go to *NFARL* Chat  nfarl.dodropin.org
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| *NFARL* ChatJavaScript is required for this Chat. |
| |
| View on nfarl.dodropin.org | Preview by Yahoo |
| |
|  |

and sign in with your name-callsign; hit return and look it over. We do this every Monday night at 8:30 PM on 145.47.  Daryl - K4RGK is our host next Monday.========================================In prep for next week, would you like to trade TV pictures after the net?
Are you able to send "digital" on 2M?  Such as ARES folks do with MT63.  If you either have or can hook up a "sound card" interface between your computer and your 2M rig, you will be able to send/copy Slow Scan pictures via FM.  This could be useful during an emergency to send photos of plane crashes, railroad derailments, overturned vehicles.  Just another in the HAM RADIO arsenal!
Simply download/install the easyPAL program.  Make up a file with a photo and your callsign on it and get ready to trade around.  Or you can simply listen in and see if you can "print" a pix.
Get the lastest version from here:http://www.vk3evl.com/index.php?option=com_content&view=article&id=57:easypal-downloads&catid=36:easypal-downloads&Itemid=62

Let's have some *more* fun!
jim/w4qo
----- Forwarded Message -----
From: Bob Freeman
To: Jim Stafford <qrp@...>
Sent: Monday, April 20, 2015 9:33 PM
Subject: Tech Talk Chat Rm participants

Jim,

Here are the folks I captured this evening.

Regards,
Bob

KI4SBL__Bob
K4LJG-Mike
KM4EQS_>_Bill
N7BU-Roger
N8SGZ_-_David

k4bb_bob
va3ah-alan
AC4PA--Pavel
KK4NLK-Matt
K4AWF---Tony
w5jr-mike
kk4ubp/q-Greg/
KM4JLC
k4mhs
K4MHS_Matt
KW4HQ-Steven
w4qo-jim
N4SEC-Jim
N4TOL-John
KM4JLC_Larry
AE4TQ
kk4ytm
WA4NUN_PAUL
ki4uty__rob
W4JNM_-_Joel
kd4eha-John
NZ2Z
va3ah-alan
KM4EQA_RICHARD
AK4O_Bob
NV4U
KM4JLC-Larry

# 2327. City of Sandy Springs Insurance Forms for 2015

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2015-04-22 15:24:52 UTC
From: W4UOC
Topic: 2327  Message: 2327
Attachments: 1 described; binary payloads are missing from this source WARC

Attached is a PDF that can be printed signed and returned to Melinda Carter at the Sandy Springs Fire Rescue Headquarters. This insurance program will cover any injuries or deaths incurred while being officially deployed in support of the Sandy Springs Fire Rescue Department. I can provide a program at one of the next NFARES meetings is this needs further explanation.

I would suggest the signed forms be printed/signed and returned to me and I will submit them to Melinda following our next NFARES meeting. That should provide plenty of time to complete the forms and additional questions or concerns can be answered at that meeting.

I will send a list of those NFARES members that were signed up in 2014 for reference.

Tom Koch - W4UOC AEC Sandy Springs

# 2328. Fwd: New video, D-STAR and the Icom RS-MS1A Android App | Southgate Amateur Radio News

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2015-04-24 17:53:50 UTC
From: Mike Cohen
Topic: 2328  Message: 2328

For those of you who have the Icom 5100 & 51A, this is for your viewing pleasure...

http://www.southgatearc.org/news/2015/april/dstar_and_the_icom_rs_ms1a_android_app.htm#.VTp-WiH2Ckk

Note that I don't own either of these radios, so I am not promoting their purchase or use.

73,
Mike - AD4MC

Mike Cohen
(404) 981-8624

# 2329. Amateur Radio in Play in Aftermath of Nepal Earthquake

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2015-04-26 17:37:52 UTC
From: Mike Cohen
Topic: 2329  Message: 2329

Forwarded by Mike - AD4MC...
Amateur Radio in Play in Aftermath of Nepal Earthquake
*TAGS:* amateur radio
<http://www.arrl.org/news/search/Tag.name:amateur%20radio>, amateur radio
repeater
<http://www.arrl.org/news/search/Tag.name:amateur%20radio%20repeater>, amateur
radio society
<http://www.arrl.org/news/search/Tag.name:amateur%20radio%20society>, Capital
City <http://www.arrl.org/news/search/Tag.name:Capital%20City>, Jayu Bhide
<http://www.arrl.org/news/search/Tag.name:Jayu%20Bhide>, MHz
<http://www.arrl.org/news/search/Tag.name:MHz>,National Coordinator
<http://www.arrl.org/news/search/Tag.name:National%20Coordinator>, net
control station
<http://www.arrl.org/news/search/Tag.name:net%20control%20station>, Solar
power <http://www.arrl.org/news/search/Tag.name:Solar%20power>
04/26/2015

At least one HF net is reported to be handling emergency and relief-related traffic in the wake of a devastating and deadly earthquake in Central Nepal. The magnitude 7.9 quake on April 25 caused landslides on Mount Everest during the climbing season, killing an unknown number of mountaineers and stranding others. A strong aftershock hit April 26. So far, some 2200 people are reported dead. The earthquake hit an area between the capital city of Kathmandu and the city of Pokhara. An emergency net has been running around the clock on 20 meters (14.205 and/or 14.215 MHz), with Jayu Bhide, VU2JAU/AT150ITU, as net control station and other stations in India participating). The net has been attempting to organize relief logistics. Amateur Radio DX.com also has reported activity on 7.100, 18.160 and 21.360 MHz.

Running just 25 W from solar power, Satish Kharel, 9N1AA, was reported to be coordinating his activity with Nepal police and sharing duty with Suresh Upreti, 9N1HA. Both are in Kathmandu. Amir Bazak, 4X6TT, in Israel joined the net and helped to keep the frequency clear. “Our stations are working with no break,” said Bhide, who is Amateur Radio Society of India (ARSI) National Coordinator for Disaster Communication.

Nepal’s first Amateur Radio repeater, set up in 2012 by the National Society for Earthquake Technology (NSET), and at least a dozen ham in various locations were reported on VHF. The 9N1KS repeater (434.500 MHz in/145.000 MHz out) is on the NSET headquarters building on the outskirts of Kathmandu. A drill conducted in 2012 indicated good coverage of the Kathmandu Valley.

The US chapter of the Computer Association of Nepal provided technical and financial assistance for the repeater and supplied equipment to use it. The

repeater has a battery back-up power source.

The NGO “Humanity Road” is maintaining an *updated summary* <http://humanityroad.org/apr25nepalquake/> of damage as well as immediate needs.

Forwarded by Mike - AD4MC

# 2330. NFARES SUNDAY NIGHT NET

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2015-04-27 01:57:04 UTC
From: Grant Register
Topic: 2330 Message: 2330

List of check-ins from Sunday evening net:
K4LJG MIKE E. COBB BATT NORTH FULTON E.C. & ANCKK4PCR GRANT
SS COM NET CONTROLKK4USI GERRY ALP COM AC4PA
PAVEL ALP BATTAK4EX STUART SS BATTKK4JYO FRED
ROS BATTK4RA TIM ROS BATTK4AWF TONY ALP
COMN4BTA BRETT ALP BATTN4OKN WILL ROS COMW4UOC
TOM SS BATT
Next net will be next Sunday, May 3rd at 8:30 PM local time.

# 2331. EasyPAL TV tonight after Tech Talk

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2015-04-27 17:36:44 UTC
From: Jim Stafford
Topic: 2331  Message: 2331

Join us to night on TechTalk and after the net, we will be playing with
easyPAL TV.
If you have a sound card interface and can get on the 145.47 repeater,
join us.

> Get the lastest version of easyPAL from here:
> http://www.vk3evl.com/index.php?option=com_content&view=article&id=57:easypal-downloads&
catid=36:easypal-downloads&Itemid=62

Few of us have ever used easyPAL so we'll all be learning together! If
you have not operated
digital via sound card on 2M, well, you can still copy pictures by
loading the software
and holding a computer microphone near the speaker on your 2M rig!

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Jim..... www.w4qo.com
"Oh what a tangled web we weave
when first we practice to receive(CW?)."
-Otto Watt Sept. 5 1925

# 2332. Boston Marathon Amateur Radio Support Adjusts to a “New Normal”

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2015-04-28 16:50:24 UTC
From: Mike Cohen
Topic: 2332  Message: 2332

A model for ARES forwarded by Mike - AD4MC

http://www.arrl.org/news/boston-marathon-amateur-radio-support-adjusts-to-a-new-normal

# 2333. 2015 NFARES Members VFIS Insurance Program (Roster & Beneficiary Form)

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2015-04-29 17:37:02 UTC
From: W4UOC
Topic: 2333  Message: 2333
Attachments: 1 described; binary payloads are missing from this source WARC

Attached is the current list of those NFARES members who submitted their VFIS Insurance beneficiary selections for last years Sandy Springs, Life and Accident insurance policy.

This policy will provide accidental injury or death benefits if you are requested to serve and officially deployed by the Sandy Springs Police or Fire Departments during an emergency.

Also attached is a PDF file for signing up for this years (2015) insurance program that needs to be printed signed and submitted at the May 12th NFARES meeting. Or you can print out the document, sign it, scan it and send to me, w4uoc@arrl.net. or via USPS to 8170 Habersham Waters Road, Sandy Springs, GA 30350-4612

# 2334. ARRL Facebook Repost of Interview with Ham in Nepal Draws Huge Response

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2015-04-30 20:56:09 UTC
From: Mike Cohen
Topic: 2334  Message: 2334

Forwarded by Mike - AD4MC.

http://www.arrl.org/news/arrl-facebook-repost-of-interview-with-ham-in-nepal-draws-huge-response

If you click on the reposted <https://www.facebook.com/ARRL.org?fref=ts> link,
the ham radio portion begins at 1:40 into the interview.

# 2335. Digital Training immediately following Sunday night NFARES net

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2015-05-01 21:55:16 UTC
From: Mike Cohen
Topic: 2335  Message: 2335

If anyone is interested in having another digital training net, we could do that immediately after this coming Sunday night NFARES net. This would be instead of going though the check-in list for comments. The training would be on fldigi/flmsg. We would start from the beginning so that anyone doing this for the first time would be brought "up to speed" and we will advance as far the group is ready to advance. No one will be left behind. Since I am scheduled to be NCS this week, I'll go either way as the group requests.

Here is a link to the download/setup instructions: Fldigi Instructions <https://docs.google.com/document/d/16_2aw1F8oE6zgMAqdDMEOi2-RMrJfGp1VjOGiN-o9sU/edit>

If you already have fldig/flmsg installed, there is no need to install the "latest & greatest" versions, but if you are doing this for the first time, download and install the latest versions. In any case, follow *all *of the set up instructions.

See you on the radio Sunday night.

73,
Mike - AD4MC

Mike Cohen
(404) 981-8624

# 2336. North Fulton ARES Net, Sunday, 03 May 2015

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2015-05-02 20:35:05 UTC
From: nfares@yahoogroups.com
Topic: 2336  Message: 2336
Attachments: 1 described; binary payloads are missing from this source WARC

North Fulton ARES Net reminder
When: Sunday, 03 May 2015 09:30 PM to 10:00 PM
(GMT) Greenwich Mean Time - Dublin / Edinburgh / Lisbon / London

Where: 147.060(+) NFARL repeater (PL 100), Alternate: 145.470(-) (PL 100)

Notes: If anyone is interested in having another digital training net, we could do that immediately after this NFARES net. This would be instead of going though the check-in list for comments. The training would be on fldigi/flmsg. We would start from the beginning so that anyone doing this for the first time would be brought "up to speed" and we will advance as far the group is ready to advance. No one will be left behind. Since I am scheduled to be NCS this week, I'll go either way as the group requests.

Here is a link to the download/setup instructions: Fldigi Instructions

If you already have fldig/flmsg installed, there is no need to install the "latest & greatest" versions, but if you are doing this for the first time, download and install the latest versions. In any case, follow all of the set up instructions.

Everyone is welcome to check into this net whether a NFARES member or not. Learn some techniques for how to handle emergency situations.
**Web Address: http://www.nfares.org/ **

From: nfares Calendar

Privacy:
http://privacy.yahoo.com/privacy/us

Terms:
http://docs.yahoo.com/info/terms/

# 2337. NFARES 2-meter voice and digital training net, Sunday, May 3, 2015

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2015-05-05 01:56:13 UTC
From: Mike Cohen
Topic: 2337  Message: 2337

We had 19 check-ins on the NFARES 2-meter net, Sunday, May 3, 2015

KK4JYO (ANCS) – Fred, Roswell, BP

K4LJG (EC) – Mike, E. Cobb, BP

KK4USI – Gerry, Alpharetta, BP

K4RA – Tim, Roswell, BP

KK4KKF – Stu, Cumming

KG5WU – Wayne, Sandy Springs, BP

W4UOC – Tom, Sandy Springs, BP

AK4EX – Stuart, Sandy Springs, BP

N4SEC – Jim, Alphareta, BP

AC4PA – Pavel, Alpharetta

KI4DSO – George, Norcross

W8LLX – Stew Sandy Springs, BP

KK4YDQ – Mike, Milton

KK4PCR – Grant, Sandy Springs

K4AWF – Tony, Alpharetta

K4RGK – Daryl, Roswel, BP

W4QO – Jim, W. Roswell, BP

KM4GRC – John, Sandy Springs, EL

AD4MC (NCS) - Mike, Sandy Springs, BP

BP = Battery Power

EL = EchoLink

Comments:

W4QO - Jim

*Tech Chat Monday at* *8:30 PM on the 145.47 *repeater. Also, don't forget
the CHAT ROOM
which can be reached at *nfarl.dodropin.org <http://nfarl.dodropin.org/>* The

chat room is much
fun and where folks search and post links. Can't reach the repeaters?
Then fire up your *Echolink *and connect to node *355800 *to join in.

We welcome all NFARES members to be NCS at least once per year. The Net
Script can be found at nfares.org.

Continued with 14 check-ins on the fldigi Digital Training Net:

KK4JYO (ANCS) – Fred, Roswell, BP

K4LJG (EC) – Mike, E. Cobb, BP

KK4USI – Gerry, Alpharetta, BP

KK4KKF – Stu, Cumming

KG5WU – Wayne, Sandy Springs, BP

W4UOC – Tom, Sandy Springs, BP

N4SEC – Jim, Alphareta, BP

W8LLX – Stew Sandy Springs, BP

KK4YDQ – Mike, Milton

KK4PCR – Grant, Sandy Springs

K4AWF – Tony, Alpharetta

K4RGK – Daryl, Roswel, BP

W4QO – Jim, W. Roswell, BP

AD4MC (NCS) - Mike, Sandy Springs, BP

The next scheduled net will be Sunday, May 10th This net closed at 9:44 PM.

73,

Mike - AD4MC

404-981-8624

# 2338. Fwd: [northgadigitalnet] Update on Georgia ARES Digital Requirements

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2015-05-12 21:04:07 UTC
From: Mike Cohen
Topic: 2338  Message: 2338

FYI,

This is what Georgia ARES is "prescribing"...

Mike - AD4MC
---------- Forwarded message ----------
From: walkerjw816@... [northgadigitalnet] <
northgadigitalnet@yahoogroups.com>
Date: Tue, May 12, 2015 at 3:19 PM
Subject: [northgadigitalnet] Update on Georgia ARES Digital Requirements
To: northgadigitalnet@yahoogroups.com

Reference: https://gaares.org/digital/

http://www.winlink.org/

http://www.felge.us/WL2K_FAQ.pdf "What you didn't know
and May never have to!"

Georgia ARES prescribes the following digital programs that all active ARES
members should have on their computer are: NBEMS, RMS Express and D-RATS.
RMS Express (Winlink 2000 Network) is now used by Georgia ARES Net 3.975
MHz at 5:30 pm as a mode of check-in.

All of these programs do not take much space on your computer and the
digital aspect does not require any large expenditure of funds. One may
broadcast on 6 meter, 2 meter or 70cm with a handheld and the use of the
speakers on their computer. Level 2 utilizes the soundcard on the computer
and level 3 ($120+-) utilizes an independent sound card such as SignaLink,
etc.

The Georgia ARES site above describes where to download the programs and
the installation and documentation articles for each of the basic systems.
Please get them installed as soon as possible to be able to work
effectively in Hall County ARES.

The following article is from the ARRL site.

RMS Express with WINMOR Now Available for Winlink 2000
*TAGS:* digital communications
<http://www.arrl.org/news/search/Tag.name:digital%20communications>, winlink
<http://www.arrl.org/news/search/Tag.name:winlink>, winlink 2000
<http://www.arrl.org/news/search/Tag.name:winlink%202000>

06/22/2010

The Amateur Radio Safety Foundation <http://www.arsfi.org/> (ARSFI) has
announced the availability of*RMS Express *user software with WINMOR, a new

radio-email application for use with the Winlink 2000 network.

The WINMOR protocol was introduced at the 2008 ARRL/TAPR Digital Communications Conference in Chicago. The goal of the WINMOR development effort was to create a soundcard digital mode that would provide an alternative to PACTOR for accessing the Winlink 2000 network. After two years of beta testing, WINMOR TNC, a software-based “helper application”, is now available as part of the new Winlink *RMS Express* user software suite.

For a number of years hams who’ve accessed the Winlink network on the HF bands have used PACTOR, primarily PACTOR II or III. This required the purchase of an external hardware modem. With the advent of WINMOR, no external hardware is required other than the same type of interface used for other sound-card-based digital communication modes.

The WINMOR protocol and the RMS Express application were developed by Rick Muething, KN6KB and Vic Poor, W5SMM. It includes innovative features such as a “busy frequency” detector to reduce potential interference. A complete description of the WINMOR protocol is available *here* <http://www.winlink.org/webfm_send/86>.

In addition to WINMOR, the *RMS Express *suite currently also supports Telnet for Internet, HSMM and D-Star connections, a wide selection of TNCs for packet radio, and SCS hardware modems for PACTOR II, and III. It also supports WINMOR peer-to-peer connections as well as connections with Winlink Radio Message Servers.

The WINMOR TNC helper application is also available separately to third party developers who wish to add the WINMOR protocol to their products.

The *RMS Express *suite for *Windows* is available free of charge. A $39 donation to ARSFI, a non-profit 501C(3) charity, is suggested for use of the WINMOR component, but payment is not mandatory. The *RMS Express* suite and WINMOR TNC helper application can both be downloaded from the *Winlink Web site* <http://www.winlink.org/>.

# 2339. Mike Stark N4MSS is a member of NFARL and NFARES

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2015-05-13 16:34:45 UTC
From: w4uoc@...
Topic: 2339  Message: 2339

Sandy Springs Police K9 awarded bullet and stab proof vest

Sandy Springs K9 Seven and his handler, Officer Mike Stark, celebrate the donation of a protective vest for the K9.
Sandy Springs Police K9 Seven has been awarded a ballistic vest thanks to a nonprofit organization.
Vested Interest in K9s, Inc. and Scott Burgett, who provided $950 for the vest, made the donation. The vest will be embroidered with the sentiment, “This gift of protection provided by Vested Interest in K9s, Inc.”
Officer Mike Stark and K9 Seven have worked together as a team since September 2014. The Sandy Springs Police Department has a total of four K9s assigned to the Traffic Unit.
The mission of the nonprofit, which was established in 2009, is to provide bullet and stab protective vests and other assistance to dogs of law enforcement and related agencies throughout the United States. Each vest costs $950 and has a five-year warranty.
Through private and corporate sponsorships, Vested Interest in K9s, Inc. provided over 1,349 law enforcement dogs in 49 states with protective vests since 2009 at a cost of over $1.2 million dollars.
The program is open to law enforcement dogs who are US employed, certified and at least 19 months of age. New K9 graduates as well as K9s with expired vests are eligible to participate.
For more information or to learn about volunteer opportunities, please call 508-824-6978. Tax deductible donations accepted via mail to: Vested Interest in K9s, Inc. P.O. Box 9 East Taunton, MA 02718 or via the website:_www.vik9s.org._ (http://l.facebook.com/l.php?u=http://www.vik9s.org/&h=tAQHsaHop&enc=AZO1JRr_TRPw5pNtbJGmXKlQwr7CvtwObxQb5bvZXcgPoeNEEjUTvEB7AfBph2bSe1yNiqNj7CkSWBuEj0XnvA-EUn2IjxwGxnEjkyZwEXs7E--HWciVl-3fjheTZ_vFRnYQbwPQSjVmVE3CxMtWGCPnOZzZ1iQIL7JYPOsoIkATbo7jY08OglHpmfAX9x9JnJL4N9NDAMnHhe6ZahZAnuNz&s=1)

# 2340. NFARES 2-meter net, Sunday, May 15, 2015

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2015-05-18 18:53:59 UTC
From: Mike Cohen
Topic: 2340  Message: 2340

We had 21 check-ins on the NFARES 2-meter net, Sunday, May 15, 2015

KK4PCR (ANCS) – Grant, Sandy Springs

K4LJG (EC) – Mike, E. Cobb, BP

KK4USI – Gerry, Alpharetta, BP

KG5WU – Wayne, Sandy Springs, BP

N4SEC – Jim, Alpharestta, BP

KK4JYO – Fred, Roswell, BP

W8LLX – Stew Sandy Springs, BP

AC4PA – Pavel, Alpharetta

AK4EX – Stuart, Sandy Springs, BP

K4AWF – Tony, Alpharetta

KM4GRC – John, Sandy Springs, EL

N7BU – Roger, Marietta

WK4U – Tim, Roswell

KK4AXT – Dan, Marietta, BP

KM4EQA – Richard, Dallas, BP

N4OKN – Will, Mobile

KF4UPO – Mike, EL

W4UOC – Tom, Sandy Springs, BP

KK4KKF – Stu, Cumming

KM4JDT – David, Roswell

AD4MC (NCS) - Mike, Sandy Springs, BP

BP = Battery Power

EL = EchoLink

Comments:

AD4MC – Mike

Sandy Springs will be holding their third annual Stars & Stripes Fire Works display on Saturday, July 5th. We are looking for about 12 ham radio volunteers to be fire spotters as we have done in the past. Please contact Mike – AD4MC, ad4mc.mike@... if you would like to volunteer.

*Tech Chat Monday at* *8:30 PM on the 145.47 *repeater. Also, don't forget the CHAT ROOM

which can be reached at *nfarl.dodropin.org <http://nfarl.dodropin.org/>* The chat room is much
fun and where folks search and post links. Can't reach the repeaters? Then fire up your *Echolink *and connect to node *355800 *to join in.

We welcome all NFARES members to be NCS at least once per year. The Net Script can be found at nfares.org.

The next scheduled net will be Sunday, May 24th This net closed at 9:00 PM.

73,

Mike - AD4MC

404-981-8624

# 2341. NFARES Support for the Sandy Springs Stars & Stripes Fireworks Display on Sunday, July 5, 2015

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2015-05-19 00:49:24 UTC
From: Mike Cohen
Topic: 2341  Message: 2341

NFARES Team,

Mark E. Ware, Community Affairs Officer, Sandy Springs Fire Rescue, has requested that NFARES again provide ham radio support for the third annual *Fireworks
Display* on *Sunday, July 5th*.

Mark will be sending me the final plans as soon as they are complete and I will forward them to you. (Including parking passes and specific parking locations)

This part will most likely remain the same as last year: We met met at *5:30 PM at the CERT trailer located on the green in front of the King and Queen building at The Concourse in Sandy Springs*. We then got a safety review with the Sandy Springs Police and Fire Departments and were given our final location assignments.

Last year, we had 12 amateur radio volunteers and we hope to have at least that many this year with the goal to buddy up with two or more hams at each of the assigned locations.

One more point: This is a "tough" assignment....at least it was for me the previous two years. Our task is to be stationed on the top levels of the parking decks in the area of the fireworks display to spot and report by radio (*146.400, simplex, SS-2*) any out-of-blast-area hot embers that could start fires when they land on the ground or other buildings. What make this "tough" is that when everyone else is looking up at the fireworks, we are supposed to be looking down. I must admit that I couldn't help myself from looking up at the fantastic show. That's why it would be good to have enough spotters at each location so that the task can be alternately shared with one (or more) looking down while another is "allowed" to look up.

As many of us have been experiencing lately, ham radio support for public service events is a lot of fun. Well...helping with a fireworks show is a *really
super* lot of fun.

Please let me know if you can join us.

More info to follow "soon"...

73,
Mike - AD4MC
404-981-8624

# 2342. Net 5-24-2015

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2015-05-25 01:17:06 UTC
From: Michael Birmingham
Topic: 2342  Message: 2342

ARES Net 5-24 2015 8:30-8:46

NCS and EC K4LJG Mike E. Cobb Comm

ANCS AD4MC Mike Sandy Springs Comm

AK4EX Stuart EL Batt

KK4JYO Fred EL Batt

K4RA Tim EL Batt

KK4USI Jerry Alpharetta Comm

KG5WU Wayne Sandy Springs Batt

K4AWF Tony Alpharetta Comm

KW4HQ Stephen Alpharetta

W5JR Mike Alpharetta EL batt

# 2343. NFARES Digital Training Net immediately following our NFARES Net on Sunday, June 7th.

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2015-06-04 19:41:50 UTC
From: Mike Cohen
Topic: 2343  Message: 2343

NFARES Team,

We will continue with VHF Digital Training immediately after this coming Sunday night NFARES net. This will be instead of going though the check-in list for comments. This training will be on fldigi/flmsg. We will start with the expectation that you are already set up to use fldigi, so if you are not there yet, contact me directly so that we can bring you "up to speed" before the net. No one will be left behind, though.
Here is a link to the download/setup instructions: Fldigi Instructions <https://docs.google.com/document/d/16_2aw1F8oE6zgMAqdDMEOi2-RMrJfGp1VjOGiN-o9sU/edit>

If you already have fldig/flmsg installed, there is no need to install the "latest & greatest" versions, but if you are doing this for the first time, download and install the latest versions. In any case, follow *all *of the set up instructions.

See you on the radio Sunday night.

73,
Mike - AD4MC

Mike Cohen
(404) 981-8624

# 2344. UPDATE: NFARES Support for the Sandy Springs Stars & Stripes Fireworks Display on Sunday, July 5, 2015

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2015-06-05 11:55:13 UTC
From: Mike Cohen
Topic: 2344  Message: 2344

NFARES Team,

As of today, we have 7 volunteers to help with this event:

Wayne - KG5WU
Stuart - AK4EX
Elliott - KJ4CQJ
Tim - K4RA
Martha - W4MSA
Tim - WK4U
Mike - AD4MC

We sure would appreciate an additional 7 volunteers signing up so that we can have two (or more) spotters at each assigned location. Please contact me to sign up for this very loud event. Again, you can bring along non-ham helpers.

Thanks & 73,
Mike - AD4MC

Mike Cohen
(404) 981-8624

On Mon, May 18, 2015 at 8:49 PM, Mike Cohen <ad4mc.mike@...> wrote:

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> service events is a lot of fun. Well...helping with a fireworks show is a *really
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# 2345. Re: [nfares] UPDATE: NFARES Support for the Sandy Springs Stars & Stripes Fireworks Display on Sunday, July 5, 2015

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2015-06-05 13:56:34 UTC
From: Michael Birmingham
Topic: 2344  Message: 2345

You can count me in. Mike, K4LJG

> On Jun 5, 2015, at 07:55, Mike Cohen ad4mc.mike@... [nfares] <nfares-noreply@yahoogroups.com> wrote:
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> NFARES Team,
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> As of today, we have 7 volunteers to help with this event:
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> Tim - K4RA
> Martha - W4MSA
> Tim - WK4U
> Mike - AD4MC
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> Mike Cohen
> (404) 981-8624 <tel:%28404%29%20981-8624>
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> Mike - AD4MC
> 404-981-8624 <tel:404-981-8624>
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# 2346. NFARES HF Station setup for NFARL Field Day

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2015-06-05 18:13:44 UTC
From: Mike Cohen
Topic: 2346  Message: 2346

NFARES Team,

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Thanks & 73,
Mike - AD4MC

Mike Cohen
(404) 981-8624
---------- Forwarded message ----------
From: John Kludt <johnnykludt@...>
Date: Fri, Jun 5, 2015 at 9:34 AM
Subject: ARES HF Station
To: Mike K4LJG <k4ljg@...>, Mike AD4MC <ad4mc@...>

Mike and Mike,

I will confess to be completely confused on this issue. First Jim and LJG Mike where going to host this effort. The Jim deferred to LJG MIke. Then at the last Exec, LJG Mike told me that ARES saw this as a distraction from the ARES mission and it was not going to happen. Now I hear that it is back on again. I think I have been pretty consistent on this particular matter:

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3. It cannot decrease the participation in the GOTA operation - it must not be seen as competing with GOTA.

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Please advise,

John K4SQC

# 2347. Re: NFARES HF Station setup for NFARL Field Day

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2015-06-05 23:59:58 UTC
From: John
Topic: 2346  Message: 2347

hi this is kk4uqb I am not sure but I think I got am email from this group that said they were going to stop charging for vanity call sings I vey well be mistaken but if anyone knows anything please let me now

# 2348. Vanity Call Sign Fees

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2015-06-06 01:37:57 UTC
From: Mike Cohen
Topic: 2348  Message: 2348

John,

Here's the latest from the ARRL/FCC regarding vanity call sign fees.

73,
Mike - AD4MC

Mike Cohen
(404) 981-8624

FCC Eliminates Amateur Radio Vanity Call Sign Regulatory Fee
*TAGS:* Amateur Radio vanity
<http://www.arrl.org/news/search/Tag.name:Amateur%20Radio%20vanity>, fcc
<http://www.arrl.org/news/search/Tag.name:fcc>, payment units
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05/22/2015

The FCC is eliminating the regulatory fee to apply for an Amateur Radio
vanity call sign. The change will not go into effect, however, until
required congressional notice has been given. This will take at least 90
days. As the Commission explained in a *Notice of Proposed Rulemaking, **Report
and Order, and Order* (*MD Docket 14-92*
<http://transition.fcc.gov/Daily_Releases/Daily_Business/2015/db0521/FCC-15-59A1.pdf>
and
others), released May 21, it’s a matter of simple economics.

“The Commission spends more resources on processing the regulatory fees and
issuing refunds than the amount of the regulatory fee payment,” the FCC said.
“As our costs now exceed the regulatory fee, we are eliminating this
regulatory fee category.” The current vanity call sign regulatory fee is
$21.40, the highest in several years. The FCC reported there were 11,500
“payment units” in FY 2014 and estimated that it would collect nearly
$246,100.

In its 2014 *Notice of Proposed Rule Making* (*NPRM*) regarding the
assessment and collection of regulatory fees for FY 2014, the FCC had
sought comment on eliminating several smaller regulatory fee categories,
such as those for vanity call signs and GMRS. It concluded in the
subsequent *Report and Order* (*R&O

<http://apps.fcc.gov/ecfs/comment/view?id=6018326013>*) last summer, however, that it did not have “adequate support to determine whether the cost of recovery and burden on small entities outweighed the collected revenue or whether eliminating the fee would adversely affect the licensing process.”

The FCC said it has since had an opportunity to obtain and analyze support concerning the collection of the regulatory fees for Amateur Vanity and GMRS, which the FCC said comprise, on average, more than 20,000 licenses that are newly obtained or renewed, every 10 and 5 years, respectively.

“The Commission often receives multiple applications for the same vanity call sign, but only one applicant can be issued that call sign,” the FCC explained. “In such cases, the Commission issues refunds for all the remaining applicants. In addition to staff and computer time to process payments and issue refunds, there is an additional expense to issue checks for the applicants who cannot be refunded electronically.”

The Commission said that after it provides the required congressional notification, Amateur Radio vanity program applicants “will no longer be financially burdened with such payments, and the Commission will no longer incur these administrative costs that exceed the fee payments. The revenue that the Commission would otherwise collect from these regulatory fee categories will be proportionally assessed on other wireless fee categories.”

The FCC said it would not issue refunds to licensees who paid the regulatory fee prior to its official elimination.

On Fri, Jun 5, 2015 at 7:59 PM, John jpollard420@... [nfares] <nfares-noreply@yahoogroups.com> wrote:

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# 2349. Re: [nfares] NFARES HF Station setup for NFARL Field Day

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2015-06-06 09:11:00 UTC
From: Jim Paine
Topic: 2346 Message: 2349

Mike,
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From: "Mike Cohen ad4mc.mike@... [nfares]" <nfares-noreply@yahoogroups.com>
To: NFARES <nfares@yahoogroups.com>
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Subject: [nfares] NFARES HF Station setup for NFARL Field Day

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Please advise,

John K4SQC

# 2350. North Fulton ARES Net, Sunday, 07 June 2015

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2015-06-06 20:34:49 UTC
From: nfares@yahoogroups.com
Topic: 2350  Message: 2350
Attachments: 1 described; binary payloads are missing from this source WARC

North Fulton ARES Net reminder
When: Sunday, 07 June 2015 09:30 PM to 10:00 PM
(GMT) Greenwich Mean Time - Dublin / Edinburgh / Lisbon / London

Where: 147.060(+) NFARL repeater (PL 100), Alternate: 145.470(-) (PL 100)

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See you on the radio Sunday night.

73,
Mike - AD4MC

Mike Cohen
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Everyone is welcome to check into this net whether a NFARES member or not. Learn some techniques for how to handle emergency situations.
**Web Address: http://www.nfares.org/ **

From: nfares Calendar

Privacy:
http://privacy.yahoo.com/privacy/us

Terms:
http://docs.yahoo.com/info/terms/

# 2351. Re: [nfares] NFARES HF Station setup for NFARL Field Day

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2015-06-06 22:03:36 UTC
From: birmham
Topic: 2346  Message: 2351

Jim,
Good to see you today at the hamfest. I think your idea sounds good. Will it be available for dignitaries and others to make a contact either using their own call or with one of us?
Mike,  K4LJG

Sent from my T-Mobile 4G LTE Device

-------- Original message --------
From: "Jim Paine jim_paine@yahoo.com [nfares]" <nfares-noreply@yahoogroups.com>
Date: 06/06/2015 05:11 (GMT-05:00)
To: Mike Cohen <ad4mc.mike@gmail.com>, NFARES <nfares@yahoogroups.com>
Subject: Re: [nfares] NFARES HF Station setup for NFARL Field Day

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# 2352. Re: [nfares] NFARES HF Station setup for NFARL Field Day

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2015-06-07 20:47:58 UTC
From: W4UOC
Topic: 2346 Message: 2352

What about using 60 meters for the station ?
One, it's channelized and I don't think it is used for contests and should not cause HF interference to the contesting stations ! At 5 Mhz its a cross between 80 and 40 meters.

Tom Koch W4UOC

Sent from my iPad

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> (404) 981-8624
> ---------- Forwarded message ----------
> From: John Kludt <johnny kludt@earthlink.net>
> Date: Fri, Jun 5, 2015 at 9:34 AM
> Subject: ARES HF Station
> To: Mike K4LJG <k4ljg@...>, Mike AD4MC <ad4mc@...>
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# 2353. Re: NFARES HF Station setup for NFARL Field Day

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2015-06-06 17:06:53 UTC
From: John
Topic: 2346  Message: 2353

Thank you very much for the info that helped a lot  73 kk4uqb

# 2354. Re: [nfares] NFARES HF Station setup for NFARL Field Day

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2015-06-08 11:39:22 UTC
From: Jim Paine
Topic: 2346  Message: 2354

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From: birmham <birmham@...>
To: Jim Paine <jim_paine@...>; Mike Cohen <ad4mc.mike@...>; NFARES <nfares@yahoogroups.com>
Sent: Saturday, June 6, 2015 6:03 PM
Subject: Re: [nfares] NFARES HF Station setup for NFARL Field Day

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Sent from my T-Mobile 4G LTE Device

-------- Original message --------
From: "Jim Paine jim_paine@... [nfares]" <nfares-noreply@yahoogroups.com>
Date: 06/06/2015 05:11 (GMT-05:00)
To: Mike Cohen <ad4mc.mike@...>, NFARES <nfares@yahoogroups.com>
Subject: Re: [nfares] NFARES HF Station setup for NFARL Field Day

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From: "Mike Cohen ad4mc.mike@... [nfares]" <nfares-noreply@yahoogroups.com>
To: NFARES <nfares@yahoogroups.com>
Sent: Friday, June 5, 2015 2:13 PM
Subject: [nfares] NFARES HF Station setup for NFARL Field Day

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# 2355. Re: [nfares] NFARES HF Station setup for NFARL Field Day

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2015-06-08 12:23:04 UTC
From: birmham
Topic: 2346  Message: 2355

Ok. I have an end fed antenna for 80, 40, and 20. I think I remember someone saying that they have a buddipole. I also have an offset dipole we can use. Mike, K4LJG

Sent from my T-Mobile 4G LTE Device

-------- Original message --------
From: Jim Paine <jim_paine@yahoo.com>
Date: 06/08/2015 07:39 (GMT-05:00)
To: birmham <birmham@bellsouth.net>, Mike Cohen <ad4mc.mike@gmail.com>, NFARES <nfares@yahoogroups.com>
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Please advise,

John K4SQC

# 2356. Fwd: Amateur Radio Field Day

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2015-06-08 17:18:18 UTC
From: w4uoc@...
Topic: 2356  Message: 2356
Attachments: 1 described; binary payloads are missing from this source WARC

On a telephone call, today, with Chief Mark Ware the use of the SSFD inflatable building has been approved for our use at Field Day.

Tom Koch - W4UOC

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From: W4UOC@...
To: MWware@...
CC: mark.duke@..., JLaudermilk@...
Sent: 6/8/2015 12:57:49 P.M. Eastern Daylight Time
Subj: Amateur Radio Field Day

Mark Ware

For the past 5 years our North Fulton Amateur Radio Emergency Service (NFARES) has set up a emergency communications demonstration site during the Amateur Radio Relay Leagues Field Day.
Last year we set up our equipment in the SSPD Command Trailer along with the Alpharetta Mobile Command vehicle. In the prior year we used the SSFD inflatable sturcture.

I had asked Assistant Chief Mark Duke if we might be able to use the inflatable building, a couple CERT tent shelters and two or three folding tables to use this year.

He asked that I check this out with you.

There field day will be only Saturday morning until about 17:00 hrs.

Tom Koch - W4UOC

# 2357. SSFD EQUIPMENT For Field Day NFARES Demo

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2015-06-08 18:41:30 UTC
From: W4UOC
Topic: 2357  Message: 2357
Attachments: 3 described; binary payloads are missing from this source WARC

Mike Cohen AD4MC sent some pictures of the inflatable building and shade tents we can use along with the Alpharetta mobile command vehicle !

Tom W4UOC

Sent from my iPhone

# 2358. NFARES 2 Meter Net and Digital Training Net June 8, 2015

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2015-06-08 20:36:14 UTC
From: Mike Cohen
Topic: 2358  Message: 2358

We had 16 check-ins on the NFARES 2-meter net, Sunday, June 7, 2015

KK4PCR (ANCS) – Grant, Sandy Springs

K4LJG (EC) – Mike, E. Cobb, BP

K7RA – Tim, Mobile, Roswell

KK4USI – Gerry, Alpharetta, BP

KG5WU – Wayne, Sandy Springs, BP

KK4JYO – Fred, Monteray, CA, EL

AK4TL – Clyde, Mobile, Sandy Springs

W5JR – Mike, EL

AK4EX – Stuart, Sandy Springs, BP

W4UOC – Tom, Sandy Springs, BP

AC4PA – Pavel, Alpharetta

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K4AWF – Tony, Alpharetta

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WK4U – Tim, Roswell

AD4MC (NCS) - Mike, Sandy Springs, BP

BP = Battery Power

EL = EchoLink

Comments:

KG5WU – Wayne

NFARES Meeting will be on Tuesday, June 9th at Brandon Hall School

AD4MC - Mike

Sandy Springs will be holding their third annual Stars & Stripes Fire Works display on Saturday, July 5th. We are looking for about 12 ham radio volunteers to be fire spotters as we have done in the past. Please contact Mike – AD4MC, *ad4mc.mike@... <ad4mc.mike@...>* if you would

like to volunteer.

*Tech Chat Monday at* *8:30 PM on the 145.47 *repeater. Also, don't forget the CHAT ROOM which can be reached at *nfarl.dodropin.org <http://nfarl.dodropin.org/>* The chat room is much

fun and where folks search and post links. Can't reach the repeaters? Then fire up your *Echolink *and connect to node *355800 *to join in.

We welcome all NFARES members to be NCS at least once per year. The Net Script can be found at nfares.org.

The next scheduled net will be Sunday, June 14th This net closed at 8:42 PM.

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We had 10 check-ins on the NFARES 2-meter Digital Training net, Sunday, June 7, 2015, starting at 8:42 PM covering flmsg.

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The next scheduled Digital Training Net TBD .This net closed at 9:30 PM.

73,

Mike - AD4MC

404-981-8624

# 2359. NFARES Text Alerts by Phone & Initial Deployment Frequencies

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2015-06-10 01:49:30 UTC
From: Mike Cohen
Topic: 2359  Message: 2359
Attachments: 1 described; binary payloads are missing from this source WARC

NFARES Team,

One of the topics brought up tonight at our meeting was Text Alerts by Phone that Jim, W4QO, set up a few years ago. Here it is again with the Initial Deployment Frequencies used by NFARES for the SET and real emergencies. We can test this during future NFARES meetings.

73,
Mike - AD4MC

Mike Cohen
(404) 981-8624

# 2360. 2015 W1AW FIELD DAY BULLETIN SCHEDULE

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2015-06-10 16:06:33 UTC
From: Mike Cohen
Topic: 2360  Message: 2360
Attachments: 1 described; binary payloads are missing from this source WARC

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At last night's meeting, several of you showed an interest in copying the 2015 W1AW FIELD DAY BULLETIN. Bret, N4BTA, came through for us last year and copied it so that NFARL could claim the 100 bonus points for that task. He has offered to do that again this year, but it would be good to have several of us back him up....plus it's a fun exercise.

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Please let me know if you successfully copy it. We can coordinate your forwarding it to me.

You may want to first practice copying some W1AW PSK31 messages before Field Day Weekend:
Digital Transmissions

*Frequencies* are 3.5975, 7.095, 14.095, 18.1025, 21.095, 28.095 kHz and 147.555 MHz.

*Bulletins* are sent at 45.45-baud Baudot, PSK31 in BPSK mode and MFSK16 in a daily, revolving schedule.

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NFARES has also committed to earn an additional 200 bonus points for the following two items:

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message to the ARRL Section Manager or Section Emergency Coordinator by your group from its
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The Section Manager message is separate from the messages handled in Rule 7.3.6. and may not
be claimed for bonus points under that rule. Available to all Classes.

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Mike - AD4MC

Mike Cohen
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# 2361. Re: [nfares] 2015 W1AW FIELD DAY BULLETIN SCHEDULE [1 Attachment]

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2015-06-10 16:45:50 UTC
From: Bret Arnold
Topic: 2360  Message: 2361

Mike,
Someone else did it for FD, I copied it for the SET the prior Fall. Yes please have several people for this task.
Thanks,
Bret

Sent from my iPhone

> On Jun 10, 2015, at 12:06, Mike Cohen ad4mc.mike@... [nfares] <nfares-noreply@yahoogroups.com> wrote:
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# 2362. Generator to good home

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2015-06-10 21:10:45 UTC
From: Chuck Daley
Topic: 2362  Message: 2362

Giving NFARL and NFARES first crack.

Coleman Powermate PRO-GEN 5000

5 KW generator.

Unit purchased 10-15 years ago. Used once. Fluids drained for storage. Has spent a long time under inadequate cover.

I have some photos to illustrate condition.

Please contact offline at chuck@...

Chuck Daley
KD4LXQ

# 2363. Call for Volunteers - Ga400 Hospitality Highway Bike Ride - Sunday July 12

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2015-06-12 20:41:59 UTC
From: wcchapman@...
Topic: 2363  Message: 2363

Greetings all !!!

Once again, the Georgia 400 Hospitality Highway Bike Ride is upon us. North Fulton ARES is looking for volunteers to help provide radio communications for Rest Stops, SAG (Support and Gear) vehicles, Motorcycle Marshals and others.

The event is Sunday, July 12, 2015. The ride starts and ends near the intersection of Ga 400 and Holcomb Bridge Road. This year, the ride DOES NOT compete with ARRL Field Day and is one week after the Peachtree Road Race and 4th of July fireworks!

The ride enters Ga 400 southbound at Holcomb Bridge at 7am. Visit their website for more information. http://ga400century.com/

The course consists of five routes (9-, 27-, 45-, 62- and 101-miles) and runs through North Fulton, Forsyth and Cherokee counties. There are six Rest Stops at selected locations along the routes (in the same locations as last year).

Something new we're trying this year is to have ride-along inside the SAG vehicles. Since the SAGs need to find and help riders who may need assistance, it is important to get a vehicle to the rider in a timely manner. Having a radio communicator directly in the vehicle is a great way to facilitate a speedy response time.

Some Rest Stops open early and close early. Others open a bit later. Some, due to the length of the ride, may remain open for a while. We can schedule the coverage in shifts or you might want to come out and play for the whole day. The last rider typically crosses the finish line by 4pm.

What is expected of you?

1) A willingness to help and a desire to come out and have a good time.
2) A radio capable of working the 70cm "440" NFARL repeater on Sweat Mountain [444.475 (+) PL 100.0Hz]. A dual band radio with 2m is even better.
3) Any required accessories such as an after-market HT (rather than the stock stubby duck) or mag-mount (or other) antenna, power supply such as extra HT battery and/or battery pack, something sufficient to last for the duration of your assignment. A headset and an external microphone is desirable due to often noisy operating locations.
4) If you have any APRS gear (trackers, APRS-enabled HT, stand-alone fill-in digi, whatever), please let us know. Ideally, we'd like to have tracking capability for every mobile unit (SAG and motorcycle). If you have it and can bring it for the event, even if you don't know how to work it, please let us know. We'll figure it out.

If you would like to volunteer for this fun event, please send an email to me (Wayne) at " kg5wu@nfares.org ".

What do I need from you now? Please let me know:

1) Your availability (all day, early, late, something to help me schedule you)
2) Preference for assignment (Rest Stop, SAG, Motorcycle, whatever else we need)
3) Radio equipment you can bring (HT, mobile rig, base station, whatever)
4) Availability of any APRS devices you can use (or loan) to the event. Please specify what you have.

The ride is just one month away on Sunday July 12. Please let me know your availability as soon as you can.

Thanks your your help! I appreciate it ... and I know the event organizers appreciate it too.

73 de Wayne / kg5wu / NFARES

# 2364. //WL2K NFARES Sunday Night Net June 14, 2015 (Flag Day)

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2015-06-15 02:25:23 UTC
From: Fred Ackley
Topic: 2364  Message: 2364

The NFARES Net began at 8:30 PM (EDT) and had the following check-ins:
KK4JYO - Fred -Roswell- Battery Power - Net Control
AK4EX - Stewart - Sandy Springs - Battery Power ANC
N4SEC Jim Echolink(Florida)
W5JR Mike Echolink
KM4GRC John Sandy Springs Battery Power
KK4USI Gerry Alpharetta Commercial Power
KG5WU Wayne Sandy Springs Battery Power
KK4KKF Stu Cumming Commercial Power
K4RA Tim Roswell Battery Power
AC4PA Pavel Alpharetta Battery Power
KI4DSO George Norcross Commercial Power
K4AWF Tony Alpharetta Commercial Power
KK4PCR Grant Sandy Springs Commercial Power
KJ4ZDK Tad Roswell Battery Power
W4VRP Vince (Mobile) Battery Power
KM4EQA Richard Dallas Battery Power
N4OKN Will Roswell Battery Power
N4MSS Mike Holly Springs Battery Power
Total check-ins: 18

Comments:
KG5WU offered reminders for Monday night Tech-talk, the upcoming NFARL meeting, Field Day, the Peachtree Road Race, Sandy Springs Fireworks (July5), and the July 12 GA 400 Bike Race.

N4MSS requested volunteer assistance fro members who might be willing to assist in the training of his police K-9 unit. People would act as lost or tracked persons in the woods. Anyone wanting further information should contact N4MSS (Mike) at N4MSS@...

N4OKN requested assistance in setting up a new install of FLDIgi after the Net (accomplished).

The Net closed at 9:01 PM (EDT)

# 2365. City of Roswell Field Day Proclamation

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2015-06-16 15:28:06 UTC
From: jim_paine@...
Topic: 2365  Message: 2365

Next Monday evening, June 22, the City of Roswell's Mayor, Jere Woods, will be proclaiming the week of June 22 as "Amateur Radio Week" in the City of Roswell. This will be done during the first few minutes of the 7:00 PM City Council Meeting held at Roswell City Hall. If you haven't been to one of these proclamation readings before, you will find it quite interesting and rewarding.

The Proclamation recognizes the contributions Amateur Radio and North Fulton Radio League makes to the community and that NFARL's Field Day event is in the City of Roswell June 27 and 28.

I urge Club Members to attend this Proclamation Reading to show NFARL's appreciation to the City of Roswell for the use of Waller Park Extension for Field Day and acknowledging the benefits of Amateur Radio.

Thanks,
Jim Paine N4SEC

NFARL Field Day Team

# 2366. 443.150 PORTABLE repeater on the air at tonight's meeting

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2015-06-16 16:22:36 UTC
From: Jim Stafford
Topic: 2366  Message: 2366

I plan with W5JR's help, to actually remove it from the water tower and bring the 443.150 repeater to tonight's NFARL meeting. Bring in your 440 handheld and try it in the room. Demonstrate it to the newer hams in our club; get them into ARES! Learn more about the NFARL arsenal of repeaters and their use.

Lastly, keep your eyes open for places to use this simple PORTABLE repeater. W5JR is always willing to render assistance in removing it for public service
emergencies or events. Just needs 110 volts to plug into. The filters are a
part of the repeater so a simple 440 antenna up as high as you can get it (perhaps even with the repeater on top of a tall building) can provide easy coverage for various situations.

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Jim..... www.w4qo.com
"Oh what a tangled web we weave
when first we practice to receive(CW?)."
-Otto Watt Sept. 5 1925

# 2367. Re: 2015 W1AW FIELD DAY BULLETIN SCHEDULE

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2015-06-18 00:19:05 UTC
From: Mike Cohen
Topic: 2360  Message: 2367

NFARES Team,

If you want to practice copying the W1AW Digital Transmissions on PSK31 at 9:00 PM tonight or future nights, 7.095 MHz comes in loud and clear to GA. You can set your radio to 7.094 USB and then put your cursor at 1000 Hz to be exactly on 7.095, You will have to click on 1000Hz when the transmission starts to sync to it. I'm using Ham Radio Deluxe, but fldigi will work fine too if you have it set up for HF. Haven't tried PSK31 with acoustic coupling, though, so you may need a SignaLink or equivalent.

Note that the "Official Field Day Message" will be on Friday, June 26th, also at 9:00 PM and 7.095 Mhz. (Again on Saturday at 9:00 PM and Sunday at noon)

Let's get that 100 point bonus for NFARL. You can copy and paste the "Official Field Day Message" into an e-mail and send it to me.

73,
Mike - AD4MC

Mike Cohen
(404) 981-8624

On Wed, Jun 10, 2015 at 12:06 PM, Mike Cohen <ad4mc.mike@...> wrote:

> NFARES Team,
>
> At last night's meeting, several of you showed an interest in copying the
> 2015 W1AW FIELD DAY BULLETIN. Bret, N4BTA, came through for us last year
> and copied it so that NFARL could claim the 100 bonus points for that
> task. He has offered to do that again this year, but it would be good to
> have several of us back him up....plus it's a fun exercise.
>
> *Note page 12 on the attached 2015 Field Day Packet for the times,
> frequencies and modes that the ARRL will use to send the 2015 WIAW FIELD
> DAY MESSAGE.*
>
> This complete 43 page 2015 Field Day Packet includes ALL of the
> information the NFARL Field Day Team, headed up by John, K4SQC, must
> follow. If you look through it, you will have a much better appreciation
> of what John and his team have to do just to meet the ARRL requirements for
> Field Day.
>
> The bonus points descriptions begin on page 5:
> *7.3.9. W1AW Bulletin:* 100 bonus points for copying the special Field
> Day bulletin transmitted
> by W1AW (or K6KPH) during its operating schedule during the Field Day

> weekend (listed in this
> rules announcement). An accurate copy of the message is required to be
> included in your Field
> Day submission. (Note: The Field Day bulletin must be copied via amateur
> radio. It will not be
> included in Internet bulletins sent out from Headquarters and will not be
> posted to Internet BBS
> sites.) Available to all Classes.
>
> Please let me know if you successfully copy it. We can coordinate your
> forwarding it to me.
>
> You may want to first practice copying some W1AW PSK31 messages before
> Field Day Weekend:
> Digital Transmissions
>
> *Frequencies* are 3.5975, 7.095, 14.095, 18.1025, 21.095, 28.095 kHz and
> 147.555 MHz.
>
> *Bulletins* are sent at 45.45-baud Baudot, PSK31 in BPSK mode and MFSK16
> in a daily, revolving schedule.
>
> The regular callup will be made using the mode that is transmitted first.
> The digital bulletin times remain at 6 PM and 9 PM eastern, daily.
>
> NFARES has also committed to earn an additional 200 bonus points for the
> following two items:
>
> *7.3.5. Message Origination to Section Manager:* 100 bonus points for
> origination of a formal
> message to the ARRL Section Manager or Section Emergency Coordinator by
> your group from its
> site. You should include the club name, number of participants, Field Day
> location, and number
> of ARES operators involved with your station. The message must be
> transmitted during the
> Field Day period and a copy of it must be included in your submission in
> standard ARRL
> radiogram or no credit will be given. The message must leave or enter the
> Field Day
> operation via amateur radio RF.
> The Section Manager message is separate from the messages handled in Rule
> 7.3.6. and may not
> be claimed for bonus points under that rule. Available to all Classes.
>
> *7.3.6. Message Handling:* 10 points for each formal message originated,
> relayed or received
> and delivered during the Field Day period, up to a maximum of 100 points
> (ten messages).
> Copies of each message must be included with the Field Day report. The

> message to the
> ARRL SM or SEC under Rule 7.3.5. does not count towards the total of 10
> for this bonus.
> Available to all Classes. All messages claimed for bonus points must leave
> or enter the Field
> Day operatione via amateur radio RF.
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> Thanks for all that you are doing for NFARES to help NFARL run a
> successful 2015 Field Day operation.
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> 73,
> Mike - AD4MC
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> Mike Cohen
> (404) 981-8624
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# 2368. FD Antenna party on Friday

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2015-06-23 14:44:54 UTC
From: Michael Birmingham
Topic: 2368  Message: 2368

The antennas will be going up for field day on Friday starting at eight o’clock. I have copied John’s NFARL post below. If you come to help, I found that wearing long pants, insect spray, and leather gloves is very helpful!

Mike, K4LJG

Fellow NFARL Members and Friends of NFARL,

On Friday we will have the first of two FD antenna parties to put up our antennas. Loops, dipoles, a satellite AZ/EL system, a HF Tribander and a Optibeam 6 element 20 foot boom antenna. We have three trailers to orient, rotators to mount and lots of leadlines for antenna ropes to shoot. Maybe you are not really interested in operating but you like things mechanical. Maybe you just want to see some spud guns in action. Boy oh boy, was Friday made for you!

Please be at our FD site, the Waller Park Extension, Roswell, beginning around 0800 on Friday. The goal is to have all of this up before the heat really sets in.

Can't make Friday? Beginning at 1400 on Sunday all of this needs to come down. This is when we really need some helping hands. It will be hot, many of the folks out there will have been up all night and will be dog tired. So please come on out and lend a hand. Avoid the tyranny of the "or" - see you on both Friday and Sunday!

The radios and computers - we usually set them up beginning NLT 0800 on Saturday with a goal of having everything in place by 1200.

Go NFARL!

John K4SQC
Field Day Chair

# 2369. Re: [nfares] FD Antenna party on Friday

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2015-06-23 15:14:44 UTC
From: Mike Cohen
Topic: 2368  Message: 2369

Good tips, Mike. THANKS !!!

Mike - AD4MC

On Tue, Jun 23, 2015 at 10:44 AM, Michael Birmingham birmham@...
[nfares] <nfares-noreply@yahoogroups.com> wrote:

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> o’clock. I have copied John’s NFARL post below. If you come to help, I
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> computers - we usually set them up beginning NLT 0800 on Saturday with a
> goal of having everything in place by 1200.Go NFARL!John K4SQCField Day

> Chair*
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# 2370. Local communications within the NFARL Field Day Event on 146.400 Simplex (SS-2)

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2015-06-23 16:08:23 UTC
From: Mike Cohen
Topic: 2370  Message: 2370

NFARES Team,

While we roam around the FD event event, we can stay in communications with each other using 146.400 Simplex (SS-2) BTW, this is the same frequency we will be using for the Sandy Springs Fireworks Event on July 5th.

73,
Mike - AD4MC

Mike Cohen
(404) 981-8624

# 2371. North Fulton Amateur RadioEmergency Services

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2015-06-23 19:55:01 UTC
From: Grant Register
Topic: 2371 Message: 2371

Roster from June 21 Net
KK4PCR GRANT SANDY SPRINGS COM NCAD4MC MIKE SANDY
SPRINGS BATT ANCKG5WU
WAYNE ECHOLINK BATTK4LJG MIKE E.
COBB COM EC NORTH FULTONN4SEC JIM ALP
BATTKK4USI GERRY ALP COMK4RA TIM
ROSWELL BATTKJ4ZDK TAD ROSWELL BATTAK4
EX STUART SANDY SPRINGS BATTKK4JYO FRED MOBILE B
ATTAC4PA PAVEL ALP BATTK4AWF TONY ALP
COMKK4YDQ MIKE MILTON BATTKI4DSO
GEORGE NORCROSS COMKK4ZGZ CODY CHEROKEE BATTKJ4TMS
ANDY MOBILE BATTN4OKN WILL ROSWELL
BATTKF4UPO MIKE ECHOLINK BATTW4UOC TOM SANDY
SPRINGS BATTK4RGK DARYL ROSWELL
BATTK4UPI LORI ROSWELL BATT
NEXT NET WILL BE JUNE 28, 8:30 PM ON THE 147.060 REPEATER.

# 2372. NFARES support for NFARL 2015 Field Day Event

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2015-06-29 12:20:14 UTC
From: Mike Cohen
Topic: 2372  Message: 2372
Attachments: 2 described; binary payloads are missing from this source WARC

NFARES Team,

*NFARES came through with 300 Bonus Points for the 2015 NFARL Field Day Event.*

A special shout out goes to Tom-W4UOC and Fred-KK4JYO for sending and receiving the 10 required messages (fldigi/flmsg using MT63-2KL with radiogram forms to earn the 100 bonus points for digital messages.

Another shout out goes to Daryl-K4RGK, Jim-W4QO, and Grant-KK4PCR, for copying the W1AW Special bulletins on HF to earn another 100 bonus points. Jim copied the CW message and Daryl copied the PSK-31 and RTTY-45 versions while in his mobile rig !!

We also sent a message to our GA Section Manager, Dr. Gene Clark, W4AYK, using 2M Packet to Winlink to earn a third 100 bonus points, for a total of 300.

...and NFARES had a mighty impressive display. Thanks to Jim-N4SEC for coordinating with the CIty of Alpharetta to get the their Mobile Command Vehicle that even had an HF station. And thanks to Tom-W4UOC for coordinating with the Sandy Springs Fire Department to get two 10'X10' canopies. (wrapped with tarpaulins to protect us from the rain)

We may have been the only station in the country to have its generator protected with an umbrella. HI HI

73,
Mike - AD4MC

Mike Cohen
(404) 981-8624

# 2373. NFARES 2-meter net, Sunday, June 28, 2015

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2015-06-29 17:27:08 UTC
From: Mike Cohen
Topic: 2373  Message: 2373

We had 16 check-ins on the NFARES 2-meter net, Sunday, June 28, 2015

K4LJG (EC) – Mike, E. Cobb, BP

KK4USI – Gerry, Alpharetta, BP

KG5WU – Wayne, Sandy Springs, BP

K4RA – Tim, Roswell. BP

W4QO – Jim, Roswell, BP

KK4PCR – Grant, Sandy Springs

N4SEC – Jim, Alpharestta, BP

KJ4ZDK – Tad, Roswell

K4AWF – Tony, Alpharetta

AK4EX – Stuart, Salem, SC, EL

KK4KKF – Stu, Cumming, EL

KM4GRC – John, Sandy Springs, EL

AK4TL – Clyde, Dunwoody, EL

K4RGK – Daryl, Roswell, BP

K4UPI – Lori, Roswell, BP

AD4MC (NCS) - Mike, Sandy Springs, BP

BP = Battery Power

EL = EchoLink

Comments:

K4LJG – Mike

Thanks for all of your help at Field Day

KG5WU – Wayne

Visited Alford Memorial FD site at Stone Mountain

Reminder to volunteer for the Peachtree Road Race and the GA 400 Bike Ride

AD4MC – Mike

Since many NFARES members will be working the Sandy Springs Fireworks Display on July 5th, the Digital Training net is postponed.

*Tech Chat Monday at* *8:30 PM on the 145.47 *repeater. Also, don't forget the CHAT ROOM

which can be reached at *nfarl.dodropin.org <http://nfarl.dodropin.org/>* The chat room is much
fun and where folks search and post links. Can't reach the repeaters? Then fire up your *Echolink *and connect to node *355800 *to join in.

We welcome all NFARES members to be NCS at least once per year. The Net Script can be found at nfares.org.

The next scheduled net will be held at the Sandy Springs Fireworks Diplay on Sunday, July 5th using 146.400 Simplex (SS-2) at 8:30 PM. This net closed at 9:04 PM.

73,

Mike - AD4MC

404-981-8624

# 2374. July 5, 2015 NET Canceled

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2015-07-02 19:28:34 UTC
From: birmham@...
Topic: 2374  Message: 2374

This Sunday night, July 5, we will be supporting the Sandy Springs Fireworks event. Therefore, there will be no net on Sunday night.

Thanks to all the volunteers that have signed up for the fireworks display and I look forward to seeing everyone there.

Mike, K4LJG
EC of NFARES

# 2375. GA 400 Bike Ride July 12

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2015-07-13 15:20:16 UTC
From: jim_paine@...
Topic: 2375  Message: 2375

Sunday July 12 was the Georgia 400 Hospitality Highway Bike Ride with over 1500 participanrs. Local NFARES and NFARL hams supplied communications using the UHF 440 NFARL Sweat Mountain Repeater (NF4GA 444.475 Mhz). The coverage needed was all of north Fulton, south Forsyth and east Cherokee Counties and the repeater performed perfectly. 18 hams collectively logged 120 hour of their time to coordinate safety and logistics during this event. Hams supported 6 rest stops, 3 SAG Vehicles, 3 motorcycles and a communications tent at the finish line. Many of the riders and organizers spoke to us on the course and thanked us for our service to their community. It was a great day to be a ham and participate in this event. Thank you Wayne KG5WU for coordinating this effort.

Jim N4SEC

# 2376. CANCELLATION of tonight's NFARES meeting

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2015-07-14 13:38:45 UTC
From: Mike Cohen
Topic: 2376  Message: 2376

NFARES Team,

Due to pending severe thunderstorms with the possibility of hail and tornadoes, our EC, Mike, K4LJG, has decided to cancel tonight's monthly NFARES meeting at Brandon Hall School.

Instead, we will hold a net on 147.06 (+) 100 Hz starting at 7:00 PM EDT.

"See you" on the net.

73,
Mike - AD4MC

Mike Cohen
(404) 981-8624

# 2377. Fwd: [Gwinnett ARES] FW: Severe Weather Threat This Afternoon and Evening [2 Attachments]

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2015-07-14 16:20:54 UTC
From: Mike Cohen
Topic: 2377  Message: 2377
Attachments: 2 described; binary payloads are missing from this source WARC

FYI
---------- Forwarded message ----------
From: John Davis wb4qdx@...t [gwinnettares] <
gwinnettares@yahoogroups.com>
Date: Tue, Jul 14, 2015 at 11:44 AM
Subject: [Gwinnett ARES] FW: Severe Weather Threat This Afternoon and
Evening [2 Attachments]
To: "gwinnettares@yahoogroups.com" <gwinnettares@yahoogroups.com>

I don’t normally forward these alerts from other areas, but I haven’t seen
anything yet on today’s potential for severe weather.

From: *Kent Mcmullen - NOAA Federal* <kent.mcmullen@...>
Date: Tue, Jul 14, 2015 at 10:59 AM
Subject: Severe Weather Threat This Afternoon and Evening

We know a lot of you are concerned about the potential for severe weather
for this afternoon and evening across north and central Georgia. Here are
the details...

*OVERVIEW / THREATS:*

Two waves of thunderstorms will move across north and central Georgia
today. The first wave is currently over southeastern Tennessee and this
will move into extreme northeast Georgia around noon. The next wave will
move into northwest Georgia early this afternoon and spread across the
entire region through the afternoon and nighttime hours. Some of these
storms are already producing wind gusts to over 40 mph across eastern
Tennessee. As the storms move into Georgia instability will increase and
could push a few of these storms above severe limits. (see graphics)

*WHERE AND WHEN:*

* N*orth Georgia*...Noon to Midnight

* *Central Georgia*...5 PM to 3 AM Wednesday

Selected Cities...

* *Atlanta and Athens*: 7 to 10 PM

* *Macon and Columbus*: 8 PM to Midnight

*IMPACTS:*

* Damaging Winds (although cannot rule out an isolated tornado)

* Frequent Lightning

* Locally 1 - 3 inches of rain from the stronger storms that could produce minor flooding of small streams and creeks, urban areas and low spots on roads

* Possibly large hail across north Georgia

*CONFIDENCE:*

* High confidence on coverage of thunderstorms

* Low on pinpointing location of severe storms

* Low on pinpointing location of localized heavy rainfall.

Please stay tuned to the forecast and don't hesitate to call if you have any questions.

--

*Jerry Adams, **W4PX*

*Cumming, GA*

*District Emergency Coordinator*

*Amateur Radio Emergency Service*

*Northeast Georgia*

*Office: 770-889-4444 <770-889-4444>*

*Cell: 678-995-5050 <678-995-5050>*

# 2378. Ham gear for sale...

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2015-07-14 17:22:57 UTC
From: Tim Lemmon
Topic: 2378  Message: 2378

Hey everyone.
I'm advertising this gear on behalf of Eric, a friend of mine that lives in Cumming.

Please don't reply to ME, but contact Eric directly if you pursue further.  Good luck!

Eric Earl, KG4OZO770-887-2687eearle52@...

| For Sale | G.E. Earl / KG4OZO | Cumming | GA. |
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| Item | Function | Model | Condition | Price |
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| Oscilloscope | Dual Ch. Test Instrument | Tektronix 465B | Poor | $10 |
| Bench Power Supply 0-20VDC | Adj.and fixed P.S. 0-20VDC | Heathkit 2718 | Excellent | $40
|
| Active Noise Bridge | R-X Bridge | Palomar RX-100 | Excellent | $45 |
| Active Audio Filter | Audio Filter | Heathkit HD-1418 | Excellent | $50 |
| Antenna Tuner (mini) | Antenna Tuner (with 4:1 balun) | Heathkit HFT-9 | Excellent | $50
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| Hand held scanner rcvr. | VHF/UHF Scanner | Realistic Pro-37 | Good | $50 |
| 1.2 GHZ freq. counter | Wideband hand held Counter | 1200H | Excellent | $55 |
| Hand held scanner rcvr. | VHF/UHF Scanner | Realistic Pro-43 | Good | $70 |
| Function Generator | 4mhz. Function Gen. | Wavetek 182A | Excellent | $75 |
| VHF Transceiver (Mobile) | VHF Xcvr. with Microphone | Kenwood TM-241A | Excellent | $75
|
| Hand held communications rcvr. | Wideband hand held rcvr. | ICOM IC-R2 | Excellent | $90
|
| Wideband SDR | Software Defined Rcvr. | Fundongle | Excellent | $100 |
| Microtelcom Perseus SDR rcvr. | Direct sampling HF rcvr | Perseus SDR | Excellent | $550
|

Eric Earl, KG4OZO770-887-2687eearle52@...

# 2379. Continuing our NFARES Digital Training

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2015-07-18 00:44:11 UTC
From: Mike Cohen
Topic: 2379  Message: 2379

NFARES Team,

We took a break from digital training in July due to the Sandy Springs Fireworks Event, but we but can get back into the swing immediately after our Sunday, August 2nd NFARES Net.

The defacto suite of programs for ARES digital messaging (NBEMS = Narrow Band Emergency Messaging System) is fldigi/flmsg using MT63-2KL. Our goal should be to maximize the number of NFARES member who are proficient with those programs.

However, there are many other digital modes available to us and we should also become proficient with them to increase our chances of communicating outside of North Fulton during an emergency. On HF, VHF and UHF, these include RMS Express/Winmor/Winlink, Easypal, D-STAR/D-RATS, ...

For the August 2nd training, we will cover *AGW Express with RMS Express*. AGW Express does require that you have a SignaLink or RIGblaster Advantage connected to your radio. If you do not have either one, that's OK. Please join us to practice RMS Express using Telnet. See: http://www.winlink.org/

The significance of having the *AGW Express with RMS Express* configuration is that, without requiring a physical TNC for packet on 2M, it enables you to send and receive e-mail (Winlink) with anyone in the world even if your cell phone and Internet systems are down. (It does require that the station you will be contacting on RF have Internet connectivity)

*Here is the link to get you set up. AGW Instructions <https://docs.google.com/document/d/1aOLrUuhXxsPb6ppWBWO04eDIxKFaGQqIuT-nNwyAJcM/edit?usp=sharing>*

This is the first draft and is "only" four pages long. It will probably get longer with future revisions. CAUTION: If you print it out, you will have the version as of the date of printing, *but* by using the link, you will always have the latest version. Please send along suggested changes and improvements.

The more you can get set up before the August 2nd net, the more time we will be have to practice using the programs.

If you know anyone who might be interested in joining us for the training (*and *joining NFARES), please forward this e-mail to them.

Let me know if you have any questions.

"See you" on August 2nd.

73,
Mike - AD4MC

Mike Cohen
(404) 981-8624

# 2380. North Fulton ARES Net, Sunday, 19 July 2015

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2015-07-18 20:31:07 UTC
From: nfares@yahoogroups.com
Topic: 2380  Message: 2380
Attachments: 1 described; binary payloads are missing from this source WARC

North Fulton ARES Net reminder
When: Sunday, 19 July 2015 09:30 PM to 10:00 PM
(GMT) Greenwich Mean Time - Dublin / Edinburgh / Lisbon / London

Where: 147.060(+) NFARL repeater (PL 100), Alternate: 145.470(-) (PL 100)

Notes: Everyone is welcome to check into this net whether a NFARES member or not. Learn some techniques for how to handle emergency situations.
**Web Address: http://www.nfares.org/ **

From: nfares Calendar

Privacy:
http://privacy.yahoo.com/privacy/us

Terms:
http://docs.yahoo.com/info/terms/

# 2381. Re: [nfares] North Fulton ARES Net, Sunday, 19 July 2015

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2015-07-18 23:41:35 UTC
From: ATT
Topic: 2380  Message: 2381
Attachments: 1 described; binary payloads are missing from this source WARC

Do you really mean GMT????

Norm

> On Jul 18, 2015, at 4:31 PM, nfares@yahoogroups.com wrote:
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> "North Fulton ARES Net" reminder
> When
> Sunday, 19 July 2015
> 09:30 PM to 10:00 PM
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> nfares Calendar
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# 2382. Re: [nfares] North Fulton ARES Net, Sunday, 19 July 2015 [1 Attachment]

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2015-07-19 01:52:12 UTC
From: Mike Cohen
Topic: 2380  Message: 2382
Attachments: 2 described; binary payloads are missing from this source WARC

Norm,

It's listed properly in the calendar,
[image: Inline image 1]
but Yahoo prints out whatever it feels like printing.

Mike - AD4MC

On Sat, Jul 18, 2015 at 7:41 PM, ATT berkon@... [nfares] <
nfares-noreply@yahoogroups.com> wrote:

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> [Attachment(s) <#14ea3f42d7b2047f_TopText> from ATT berkon@...
> [nfares] included below]
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> Do you really mean GMT????
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> Norm
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> Address: http://www.nfares.org/ **
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> Privacy <http://privacy.yahoo.com/privacy/us> | Terms
> <http://docs.yahoo.com/info/terms/>
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# 2383. Fw: Pelican Knockoffs

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2015-07-23 13:04:27 UTC
From: Jim Stafford
Topic: 2383  Message: 2383

----- Forwarded Message -----
From: Robert E. Gross KE4EM

Sent: Wednesday, July 22, 2015 8:24 AM
Subject: Pelican Knockoffs

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# 2384. Sunday ARES Net 07-19-2015

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2015-07-24 20:40:37 UTC
From: birmham@...
Topic: 2384  Message: 2384

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N4SEC JIM ALPHARETTA BATT
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AK4EX STUART SANDY SPRINGS BATT
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We had twenty-four check ins including myself.

# 2385. North Fulton ARES Net, Sunday, 26 July 2015

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2015-07-25 20:31:01 UTC
From: nfares@yahoogroups.com
Topic: 2385  Message: 2385
Attachments: 1 described; binary payloads are missing from this source WARC

North Fulton ARES Net reminder
When: Sunday, 26 July 2015 04:30 PM to 05:00 PM
(GMT-05:00) Eastern Time (US & Canada)

Where: 147.060(+) NFARL repeater (PL 100), Alternate: 145.470(-) (PL 100)

Notes: Sun, Jul 19, 8:30 PM - 9:00 PM
Everyone is welcome to check into this net whether a NFARES member or not. Learn some techniques for how to handle emergency situations.
**Web Address: http://www.nfares.org/ **

From: nfares Calendar

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# 2386. Re: Fw: Pelican Knockoffs

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2015-07-25 22:11:09 UTC
From: Mike Lozano
Topic: 2383  Message: 2386

Guys,

If your going to buy quality radios, then why not buy a guaranteed case to put them in!

BossSafety sells Pelican cases at a discount, tax free (they are in CA - or as I have been told: the Land of Fruits and Nuts) and sometimes no shipping cost/fees! Their Email address is BossSafety.com.

If you are current or former Military (Veteran), mention that too because you might get free shipping or an additional promotional gift for being a Vet!

Of course, Pelican Cases are expensive and any discount helps to defray cost..but why place your valuable radios and equipment in a cheap container that doesn't guarantee their safety. I have bought 3 cases from them and had absolutely no issues!

Mike
KF4UPO

# 2387. //WL2K R/ North Fulton ARES net July 26 2015 8:30 pm EDT

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2015-07-27 01:40:09 UTC
From: Fred Ackley
Topic: 2387  Message: 2387

KK4YJO FRED NCS Roswell Battery Power

ANCS AD4MC MIKE SANDY SPRINGS COMM

K4LJG MIKE EAST COBB COMM

KK4USI GERRY ALPHARETTA COMM

K4SQC JOHN JOHNS CREEK COMM

K4RA TIM ROSWELL BATT

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N4BTA BRETT ALPHARETTA BATT

KG5WU WAYNE SANDY SPRINGS BATT

TOTAL CHECKINS 17

NET CLOSED 8:56 pm EDT

# 2388. MFJ Versa Tuner, Model #969 for sale

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2015-07-28 17:19:21 UTC
From: Michael Birmingham
Topic: 2388  Message: 2388

To All,

I just got this email from a friend who is selling the tuner. Please, contact Bill if interested and not me!

Thanks,

Mike, K4LJG

This tuner is like new. It is labeled as a MFJ Versa Tuner, Model #969, rated at 300watts, and covers 6-160 meters. I am asking $140.00. I have the manual but not the wall wart required to light the meter.

Thanks for your assistances.

Bill
404-281-6140

# 2389. North Fulton ARES Net, Sunday, 02 August 2015

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2015-08-02 08:31:09 UTC
From: nfares@yahoogroups.com
Topic: 2389  Message: 2389
Attachments: 1 described; binary payloads are missing from this source WARC

North Fulton ARES Net reminder
When: Sunday, 02 August 2015 04:30 PM to 05:00 PM
(GMT-05:00) Eastern Time (US & Canada)

Where: 147.060(+) NFARL repeater (PL 100), Alternate: 145.470(-) (PL 100)

Notes: Sun, August 2, 8:30 PM - 9:00 PM
Immediately following check-in, we will continue our digital training.

We took a break from digital training in July due to the Sandy Springs Fireworks Event, but we but can get back into the swing immediately after our Sunday, August 2nd NFARES Net.

The defacto suite of programs for ARES digital messaging (NBEMS = Narrow Band Emergency Messaging System) is fldigi/flmsg using MT63-2KL. Our goal should be to maximize the number of NFARES member who are proficient with those programs.

However, there are many other digital modes available to us and we should also become proficient with them to increase our chances of communicating outside of North Fulton during an emergency. On HF, VHF and UHF, these include RMS Express/Winmor/Winlink, Easypal, D-STAR/D-RATS, ...

For tonight's training, we will cover AGW Express with RMS Express. AGW Express does require that you have a SignaLink or RIGblaster Advantage connected to your radio. If you do not have either one, that's OK. Please join us to practice RMS Express using Telnet.
See: http://www.winlink.org/

The significance of having the AGW Express with RMS Express configuration is that, without requiring a physical TNC for packet on 2M, it enables you to send and receive e-mail (Winlink) with anyone in the world even if your cell phone and Internet systems are down. (It does require that the station you will be contacting on RF have Internet connectivity)

See 7/17/15 e-mail for link to AGW Express Instructions

This is the first draft and is "only" four pages long. It will probably get longer with future revisions. CAUTION: If you print it out, you will have the version as of the date of printing, but by using the link, you will always have the latest version. Please send along suggested changes and improvements.

The more you can get set up before the August 2nd net, the more time we will have to practice using the programs.

If you know anyone who might be interested in joining us for the training (and joining NFARES), please forward this e-mail to them.

Everyone is welcome to check into this net whether a NFARES member or not. Learn some techniques for how to handle emergency situations.
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# 2390. NFARES 2-meter net, Sunday, August 2, 2015

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2015-08-05 18:23:36 UTC
From: Mike Cohen
Topic: 2390  Message: 2390

We had 16 check-ins on the NFARES 2-meter net, Sunday, August 2, 2015

K4LJG (EC) ANCS – Mike, E. Cobb, BP

KK4USI – Gerry, Alpharetta, BP

KJ4ZCW – Norm, Roswell, BP

K4RA – Tim, Roswell. BP

W8LLX – Stu, Sandy Springs

KI4DSO – George, Norcross

KG5WU – Wayne, Sandy Springs, BP

AK4EX – Stuart, Sandy Springs, BP

K4AWF – Tony, Alpharetta

KF4UPO – Mike, Norcross

KM4JLC – Larry, Sandy Springs

KJ4ZDK – Tad, Roswell

K4RGK – Daryl, Roswell, BP

K4UPI – Lori, Roswell, BP

N4BTA – Bret, Alpharetta

AD4MC (NCS) - Mike, Sandy Springs, BP

BP = Battery Power

EL = EchoLink

*Tech Chat Monday at* *8:30 PM on the 145.47 *repeater. Also, don't forget
the CHAT ROOM

which can be reached at *nfarl.dodropin.org <http://nfarl.dodropin.org/>* The
chat room is much
fun and where folks search and post links. Can't reach the repeaters?
Then fire up your *Echolink *and connect to node *355800 *to join in.

We welcome all NFARES members to be NCS at least once per year. The Net
Script can be found at nfares.org.

The next scheduled net will help on Septemebr 9th This net closed at 8:46 PM.

The Digital Training net, covering AGW Express with RMS Express Packet began at 8:46 PM and some checkins actually stayed until 10:36 PM

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AD4MC (NCS) - Mike, Sandy Springs, BP

Comments:

I am using AGW Express as an "appliance operator" and, unfortunately, am not proficient enough to help when it doesn't work properly. Very frustrating for the team and for the "teacher" too. However, Wayne, KG5WU, Tom, W4UOC, Bret, N4BTA, Larry, KM4LJC, Daryl, K4RGK and I have successfully sent and received Winlink messages using 2M packet with AGW Express and RMS Express, so our base is growing. A special thanks goes out to Daryl, K4RGK, for doing extensive troubleshooting to get his station operational after the net. See additional information added to AGW Instructions
<https://docs.google.com/document/d/1aOLrUuhXxsPb6ppWBWO04eDIxKFaGQqIuT-nNwyAJcM/edit?usp=sharing>
starting on Page 7.

73,

Mike - AD4MC

404-981-8624

# 2391. Fwd: [NBEMSham] Digest Number 2105

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2015-08-07 12:22:26 UTC
From: Mike Cohen
Topic: 2391  Message: 2391

FYI...Potential issues with Windows 10 and fldigi...probably with AGW
Express too.

Mike - AD4MC
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Thu Aug 6, 2015 3:36 pm (PDT) . Posted by: rcflyer51
<rcflyer51@...?subject=Re%3A%20Fldigi%20and%20Windows%2010>
Anyone get the current version of Fldigi to work in Windows 10? Had it working in W7 and upgraded the computer to W10, now Fldigi doesn't show an audio device when I try to configure the audio.

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I look at the W10 playback and mic settings and did a test on each set to the CODEC and it works fine. Fldigi just will not pickup the audio device in W10.

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Thu Aug 6, 2015 4:03 pm (PDT) . Posted by: "Ron Wenig" ronwenig
<rwenig@...?subject=Re%3A%20Fldigi%20and%20Windows%2010>
Hi Danny,

It's working here on my 1 desktop and 2 laptops with Windows 10 pro. Whatever shows up when you right click the speaker icon and select playback or recording devices should show up on the devices section. In my case my signalink shows up as Capture Microphone (USB Audio CODEC) and Playback Speakers (USB Audio CODEC). Of course sometimes windows forgets what sound cards I have and Fldigi doesn't show anything untill I hit the arrows.

73 Ron NY3J

On 8/6/2015 6:36 PM, rcflyer51@... [NBEMSham] wrote:
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Thu Aug 6, 2015 4:18 pm (PDT) . Posted by: rcflyer51
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Danny, that's interesting. I never paid attention to the File I/O
only. The hint when you hoover over it says "NO AUDIO DEVICE AVAILABLE
(or testing). I wonder if you configuration file got corrupted. I've
heard of people renaming the file and running Fldigi to create a new
one. You will loose your settings but it may fix the problem. I think
the file is C:\Users\ny3j\fldigi.files\fldigi_def.xml.

Ron NY3J
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Thu Aug 6, 2015 5:04 pm (PDT) . Posted by: rcflyer51
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Well, I tried that as well. Completely uninstalled Fldigi and ensured those
files were deleted. Started Fldigi and went through the setup. When I get
to the soundmodem, audio, device section everything is greyed out except
for the File I/O only and it is checked.

Really baffling.

Danny
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Thu Aug 6, 2015 5:34 pm (PDT) . Posted by: "Ron Wenig" ronwenig
<rwenig@...?subject=Re%3A%20Fldigi%20and%20Windows%2010>
Danny, I'll make note of that under strange things that happen to
Windows :-) Thanks for the information.

Ron NY3J

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Thu Aug 6, 2015 5:39 pm (PDT) . Posted by: "Wayne Santos" amcwayne
<n1ckm78sec@...?subject=Re%3A%20Fldigi%20and%20Windows%2010>
I did the update on Tuesday and had no problems.

Wayne

Wayne W. Santos
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NBEMSham@yahoogroups.com> wrote:

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Thu Aug 6, 2015 6:08 pm (PDT) . Posted by: "charles brabham" n5pvl

<n5pvl@uspacket.org?subject=Re%3A%20Fldigi%20and%20Windows%2010>
I've been using it for over a month, the technical preview and now the
regular Win10. FLDIGI works great, I use it every day.

73 DE Charles, N5PVL

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MN ARES Digital Net Thursday 8 p.m. local time (Minnesota) reminder
When: Thursday, 13 August 2015 09:00 PM to 10:00 PM
(GMT-05:00) Eastern Time (US & Canada)

Where: 3583.5 USB

Notes: MN ARES Digital Net Thursday 8 p.m. (Minnesota time ) on 3583.5. We
will at least start on Olivia 16/500 and play with other modes
wfosler@...m

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# 2392. North Fulton ARES Net, Sunday, 09 August 2015

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2015-08-08 20:30:26 UTC
From: nfares@yahoogroups.com
Topic: 2392  Message: 2392
Attachments: 1 described; binary payloads are missing from this source WARC

North Fulton ARES Net reminder
When: Sunday, 09 August 2015 04:30 PM to 05:00 PM
(GMT-05:00) Eastern Time (US & Canada)

Where: 147.060(+) NFARL repeater (PL 100), Alternate: 145.470(-) (PL 100)

Notes: Note correct time: Sun, Jul 19, 8:30 PM - 9:00 PM
Everyone is welcome to check into this net whether a NFARES member or not. Learn some techniques for how to handle emergency situations.
**Web Address: http://www.nfares.org/ **

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# 2393. //WL2K R/ North Fulton ARES net August 9, 2015, 20:30 EDT

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2015-08-10 03:00:49 UTC
From: Fred Ackley
Topic: 2393  Message: 2393

KK4YJO FRED NCS Roswell Battery Power
K4LJG MIKE ANCS EAST COBB Commercial Power
KK4USI GERRY ALPHARETTA Echolink
W4UOC TOM SANDY SPRINGS Battery Power
AD4MC MIKE SANDY SPRINGS Battery Power
AK4EX STUART SANDY SPRINGS Battery Power
K4RA TIM ROSWELL Battery Power
KK4PCR GRANT SANDY SPRINGS Commercial Power
KI4DSO GEORGE NORCROSS Commercial Power
KJ4ZDK TAD ROSWELL Echolink/ also RF Commercial Power
K4AWF TONY ALPHARETTA Commercial Power
N4AAG ROCK MARIETTA Echolink
KJ4ZDW NORM ROSWELL Battery Power
N4SEC JIM ALPHARETTA Commercial Power (late)

Total Checkins: 14
Net closed 20:54 EDT

# 2394. Amateur Radio Communicator Vests

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2015-08-14 00:33:05 UTC
From: Mike Cohen
Topic: 2394  Message: 2394

NFARES Team,

At our last meeting, a request was made to see if we could order Safety Vests with "Amateur Radio Communicator" printed on the back, like the ones that Wayne, KG5WU, and I received for working the Publix Marathon. Barry Kanne, W4TGA, gave me the contact info, so I called SafetyGearOnline to get pricing info.

The vest is the SV6G - Lime
http://www.safetygearonline.com/ansi-class-ii-surveyor-two-tone-vest

Vests: Qty 1-3, $14.16 ea
Qty 4-11, $13.96 ea
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Printing: Qty 1-3, $14.80 ea
Qty 4-11, $7.78 ea
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Shipping for 5 vests, for example, would be $14.58 total

So, when you include the vest, printing and shipping, the total price per vest drops significantly if we order more than 3.

Send me an e-mail if you are interesting in getting one (or more) and I'll tally up the totals. We can discuss this by e-mail, at our next meeting and during the Sunday night nets.

73,
Mike - AD4MC

Mike Cohen
(404) 981-8624

# 2395. Metro Atlanta ARES map-frequency chart

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2015-08-14 15:21:53 UTC
From: Mike Cohen
Topic: 2395  Message: 2395
Attachments: 1 described; binary payloads are missing from this source WARC

Thanks to Jim, WB4NWS, for creating this fine map and for George, AI4UR,
for helping to distribute it.

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# 2396. North Fulton ARES Net, Sunday, 16 August 2015

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2015-08-15 20:25:03 UTC
From: nfares@yahoogroups.com
Topic: 2396  Message: 2396
Attachments: 1 described; binary payloads are missing from this source WARC

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When: Sunday, 16 August 2015 04:30 PM to 05:00 PM
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# 2397. Re: Amateur Radio Communicator Vests

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2015-08-16 12:52:23 UTC
From: Mike Cohen
Topic: 2394  Message: 2397
Attachments: 1 described; binary payloads are missing from this source WARC

NFARES Team,

As of this morning, 7 people are interested in buying a vest. That would bring the cost to about $25 per vest. If we order 12, the cost will drop to about $22 per vest. I will get the exact price before placing the order. Let me know if you are interested and tell me the size you want. We can discuss it on the net tonight.

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# 2398. Amateur Radio Communicator Vests - UPDATE 2

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2015-08-17 01:47:11 UTC
From: Mike Cohen
Topic: 2398  Message: 2398
Attachments: 1 described; binary payloads are missing from this source WARC

NFARES Team,

Based on tonight's net, we are up to 13 vests, which gets us into the next price break on both the vests and printing, which is now down to about $22 each. We haven't ordered the vests yet, so you can add to the list.

Please check the list below and send me your size if you do not see an "OK" next to your name.

NFARES Vests Rev 08/162015

Call Name Size Confirmed 1 AK4TL Clyde McClain OK
2 K4LJG Mike Birmingham

3 K4RGK Daryl Young OK
4 K4UPI Lori Young OK
5 KC4YBO Steve Knittel OK
6 KJ4ZDW Norm Berkowitz OK
7 KK4JYO Fred Ackley OK
8 KK4PCR Grant Register OK
9 KK4USI Gerry Werber

10 KM4RBS Ronald Smith

11 N4SBD Scott Dunbar

12 W4MSA Martha Muir

13 W4UOC Tom Koch OK

Here is the web site to see it:
http://www.safetygearonline.com/ansi-class-ii-surveyor-two-tone-vest

Sizes:
[image: Inline image 1]
Before placing an order, I will ask if the listed sizes are relatively accurate.

We also have a request to get ARES hats. They are ordered from ARRL @ $14.95 ea PLUS a HUGE $10 shipping fee if ordered individually, so we might group purchase them to divide the shipping costs.

Let me know if you also want a hat.
http://www.arrl.org/shop/ARES-Deployment-Hat/

To be continued...

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> Shipping for 5 vests, for example, would be $14.58 total
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> So, when you include the vest, printing and shipping, the total price per
> vest drops significantly if we order more than 3.
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> Send me an e-mail if you are interesting in getting one (or more) and I'll
> tally up the totals. We can discuss this by e-mail, at our next meeting
> and during the Sunday night nets.
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> 73,
> Mike - AD4MC
>
> Mike Cohen
> (404) 981-8624
>
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# 2399. NFARES 2-meter net, Sunday, August 16, 2015

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2015-08-18 18:55:36 UTC
From: Mike Cohen
Topic: 2399  Message: 2399

We had 18 check-ins on the NFARES 2-meter net, Sunday, August 16, 2015

K4LJG (EC) ANCS – Mike, E. Cobb, BP

N4SBD – Scott, Alpharetta, Mobile

KJ4ZDK – Tad, Roswell

K4RA – Tim, Roswell. BP

AK4EX – Stuart, Sandy Springs, BP

KI4DSO – George, Norcross

K4AWF – Tony, Alpharetta

N4BTA – Bret, Alpharetta

KK4USI – Gerry, Alpharetta, BP

AC4PA – Pavel, Alpharetta

W4QO – Jim, E. Roswell, EL

K4RGK – Daryl, Roswell, BP

K4UPI – Lori, Roswell, BP

N4OKN – Will, Roswell, BP

WW4MO – Marty, E. Cobb, BP

KJ4ZCW – Norm, Roswell, BP

KE4RDR – Rob, Marietta

AD4MC (NCS) - Mike, Sandy Springs, BP

BP = Battery Power

EL = EchoLink

*Tech Chat Monday at* *8:30 PM on the 145.47 *repeater. Also, don't forget
the CHAT ROOM

which can be reached at *nfarl.dodropin.org <http://nfarl.dodropin.org/>* The
chat room is much
fun and where folks search and post links. Can't reach the repeaters?
Then fire up your *Echolink *and connect to node *355800 *to join in.

We welcome all NFARES members to be NCS at least once per year. The Net Script can be found at nfares.org.

The next scheduled net will be held on August 23rd. This net closed at 9:02 PM.

73,

Mike - AD4MC

404-981-8624

# 2400. Yaesu FT-817ND and FT-857D Experience?

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2015-08-19 20:06:56 UTC
From: johnpchogan@...
Topic: 2400  Message: 2400

Does anyone have experience with the Yaesu FT-817ND or FT-857D? I've been looking for a good all around radio portable for use in car or a go bag, and came across the following discount offer from Yaesu. Thought someone else might be able to use it. I welcome recommendations on other radios to look at that might offer a better value.

http://www.hamradio.com/documents/1-15-13%20Amateur%20rebate%20over%20$50.pdf
http://www.hamradio.com/documents/1-15-13%20Amateur%20rebate%20over%20$50.pdf

73,
KM4GRC
John

# 2401. Re: [nfares] Amateur Radio Communicator Vests - UPDATE 3 [1 Attachment]

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2015-08-22 15:25:02 UTC
From: Mike Cohen
Topic: 2401  Message: 2401
Attachments: 1 described; binary payloads are missing from this source WARC

NFARES Team,

We are up to 18 vest and 2 hats. Jim, W4QO discovered that if we buy 7 or more hats from DX Eng, they have free shipping, so that is a good option for the hats.

Please check below to see if you want to the add to the list, that you sent me your vest size and let me know if you want to add a hat.

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8 K4WSW Bill Weathers OK
9 KC4YBO Steve Knittel OK
10 KJ4ZDW Norm Berkowitz OK
11 KK4JYO Fred Ackley OK
12 KK4PCR Grant Register OK
13 KK4USI Gerry Werber

14 KM4RBS Ronald Smith

15 N4SBD Scott Dunbar OK X 16 N4SEC Jim Paine OK
17 W4MSA Martha Muir

18 W4UOC Tom Koch OK

73,
Mike AD4MC

Mike Cohen
404-981-8624

On Sun, Aug 16, 2015 at 9:47 PM, Mike Cohen ad4mc.mike@... [nfares] <nfares-noreply@yahoogroups.com> wrote:

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> [Attachment(s) <#14f395c4ee8a929b_TopText> from Mike Cohen included below]
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> NFARES Team,

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> Based on tonight's net, we are up to 13 vests, which gets us into the next
> price break on both the vests and printing, which is now down to about $22
> each. We haven't ordered the vests yet, so you can add to the list.
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> Please check the list below and send me your size if you do not see an
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> NFARES Vests Rev 08/162015
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> Here is the web site to see it:
> http://www.safetygearonline.com/ansi-class-ii-surveyor-two-tone-vest
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> Sizes:
> [image: Inline image 1]
> Before placing an order, I will ask if the listed sizes are relatively
> accurate.
>
> We also have a request to get ARES hats. They are ordered from ARRL @
> $14.95 ea PLUS a HUGE $10 shipping fee if ordered individually, so we might
> group purchase them to divide the shipping costs.
>
> Let me know if you also want a hat.
> http://www.arrl.org/shop/ARES-Deployment-Hat/
>
> To be continued...

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> 73,
> Mike - AD4MC
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> Mike Cohen
> (404) 981-8624
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> On Thu, Aug 13, 2015 at 8:33 PM, Mike Cohen <ad4mc.mike@...> wrote:
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>> NFARES Team,
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>> At our last meeting, a request was made to see if we could order Safety
>> Vests with "Amateur Radio Communicator" printed on the back, like the ones
>> that Wayne, KG5WU, and I received for working the Publix Marathon. Barry
>> Kanne, W4TGA, gave me the contact info, so I called SafetyGearOnline to get
>> pricing info.
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>> The vest is the SV6G - Lime
>> http://www.safetygearonline.com/ansi-class-ii-surveyor-two-tone-vest
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>> Vests: Qty 1-3, $14.16 ea
>> Qty 4-11, $13.96 ea
>> Qty 12-49, $13.26 ea
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>> Printing: Qty 1-3, $14.80 ea
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>> Send me an e-mail if you are interesting in getting one (or more) and
>> I'll tally up the totals. We can discuss this by e-mail, at our next
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>> Mike Cohen
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# 2402. North Fulton ARES Net, Sunday, 23 August 2015

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2015-08-22 20:25:03 UTC
From: nfares@yahoogroups.com
Topic: 2402  Message: 2402
Attachments: 1 described; binary payloads are missing from this source WARC

North Fulton ARES Net reminder
When: Sunday, 23 August 2015 04:30 PM to 05:00 PM
(GMT-05:00) Eastern Time (US & Canada)

Where: 147.060(+) NFARL repeater (PL 100), Alternate: 145.470(-) (PL 100)

Notes: Note correct time: Sun, Jul 19, 8:30 PM - 9:00 PM
Everyone is welcome to check into this net whether a NFARES member or not. Learn some techniques for how to handle emergency situations.
**Web Address: http://www.nfares.org/ **

From: nfares Calendar

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http://privacy.yahoo.com/privacy/us

Terms:
http://docs.yahoo.com/info/terms/

# 2403. North Fulton ARES Net, Sunday, 30 August 2015

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2015-08-29 20:25:02 UTC
From: nfares@yahoogroups.com
Topic: 2403  Message: 2403
Attachments: 1 described; binary payloads are missing from this source WARC

North Fulton ARES Net reminder
When: Sunday, 30 August 2015 04:30 PM to 05:00 PM
(GMT-05:00) Eastern Time (US & Canada)

Where: 147.060(+) NFARL repeater (PL 100), Alternate: 145.470(-) (PL 100)

Notes: Note correct time: Sun, Jul 19, 8:30 PM - 9:00 PM
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# 2404. //WL2K R/ North Fulton ARES net August 30, 2015, 20:30 EDT

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2015-08-31 02:00:08 UTC
From: Fred Ackley
Topic: 2404  Message: 2404

The following units checked in for the Aug 30, 2015 Net:

1 KK4YJO FRED NCS Roswell Battery Power
2 K4LJG MIKE ANCS EAST COBB Commercial Power (NFARES EC)
3 KK4USI GERRY ALPHARETTA Battery Power
4 W4UOC TOM SANDY SPRINGS Battery Power
5 N4SBD SCOTT ALPHARETTA Battery Power
6 AD4MC MIKE Poland Maine Echolink
7 K4SQC JOHN JOHNS CREEK Commercial Power
8 N4SEC JIM ALPHARETTA Battery Power
9 AK4NA GARRY ROSWELL Battery Power
10 KG5WU WAYNE SANDY SPRINGS Battery Power
11 KM4GRC JOHN SANDY SPRINGS Battery Power
12 K4RA TIM ROSWELL Battery Power
13 KK4PCR GRANT SANDY SPRINGS Commercial Power
14 KI4DSO GEORGE NORCROSS Commercial Power
15 K4RGK DARRELL ROSWELL Battery Power
16 KJ4ZDK TAD ROSWELL Echolink/ also RF Commercial Power
17 K4UPI LORI ROSWELL Battery Power
18 AK4TL CLYDE DUNWOODY Battery Power (MOBILE)
19 N4OKN WILL ROSWELL Battery Power (XBAND)

Total Checkins: 19
Net closed 21:02 EDT

# 2405. Re: [Gwinnett ARES] FYI. Mobile Web - News - Major internet outage strikes again

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2015-09-05 15:52:05 UTC
From: Mike Cohen
Topic: 2405  Message: 2405

Forwarded e-mail from Norm, WA4ZXV...
Mike - AD4MC

On Sat, Sep 5, 2015 at 11:25 AM, Norman Schklar norman@...
[gwinnettares] <gwinnettares@yahoogroups.com> wrote:

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> http://www.advocate-news.com/general-news/20150904/major-internet-outage-strikes-again
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> Norm
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# 2406. North Fulton ARES Net, Sunday, 06 September 2015

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2015-09-05 20:25:03 UTC
From: nfares@yahoogroups.com
Topic: 2406  Message: 2406
Attachments: 1 described; binary payloads are missing from this source WARC

North Fulton ARES Net reminder
When: Sunday, 06 September 2015 04:30 PM to 05:00 PM
(GMT-05:00) Eastern Time (US & Canada)

Where: 147.060(+) NFARL repeater (PL 100), Alternate: 145.470(-) (PL 100)

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# 2407. Amateur Radio Communicator Vests - UPDATE 4

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2015-09-08 17:23:42 UTC
From: Mike Cohen
Topic: 2407  Message: 2407
Attachments: 1 described; binary payloads are missing from this source WARC

NFARES Team,

Count matters. We are now up to 20 vests, which brings the cost per vest down to $18.94, considerably lower than the original $25 estimate based on ordering just a few.

If we buy the hats from dx.com instead of the ARRL, we get free shipping on orders over $100 (Thanks Jim, W4QO for discovering this). At $14.95 each, that's 7 hats. We are up to 6 right now, so if we add one more, we'll collectively save the shipping costs.

http://www.safetygearonline.com/ansi-class-ii-surveyor-two-tone-vest
http://www.dxengineering.com/cart/update/8dfa2882-707c-4f0e-8550-802fa7100eef

If we order the vests this week, they should arrive before the NFARES SET, so I plan to close the order list this Friday. Don't know what the shipping commitments would be for the hats.

So... let me know THIS WEEK (by Friday, September 11th) if you want add to the order for vests or hats.

NFARES Vests SV6G-Lime Rev 09/08/15

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Zack Hadairi OK

73,
Mike AD4MC

Mike Cohen
404-981-8624

On Sat, Aug 22, 2015 at 11:25 AM, Mike Cohen ad4mc.mike@... [nfares] <
nfares-noreply@yahoogroups.com> wrote:

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>> Sizes:

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>> Let me know if you also want a hat.
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>> To be continued...
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>> 73,
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>>> NFARES Team,
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>>> At our last meeting, a request was made to see if we could order Safety
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>>> Vests: Qty 1-3, $14.16 ea
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# 2408. New file uploaded to nfares

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2015-09-09 01:59:08 UTC
From: nfares@yahoogroups.com
Topic: 201  Message: 2408

Hello,

This email message is a notification to let you know that
a file has been uploaded to the Files area of the nfares
group.

File : /2015 Georgia Simulated Emergency Test SEP 1 ver.pdf
Uploaded by : birmham@... <birmham@...>
Description : Georgia SET 2015

You can access this file at the URL:
https://groups.yahoo.com/neo/groups/nfares/files/2015%20Georgia%20Simulated%20Emergency%20Test%20SEP%201%20ver.pdf

To learn more about file sharing for your group, please visit:
https://help.yahoo.com/kb/index?page=content&y=PROD_GRPS&locale=en_US&id=SLN15398

Regards,

birmham@... <birmham@...>

# 2409. New file uploaded to nfares

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2015-09-09 02:00:23 UTC
From: nfares@yahoogroups.com
Topic: 201  Message: 2409

Hello,

This email message is a notification to let you know that
a file has been uploaded to the Files area of the nfares
group.

File : /Strategic National Stockpile.docx
Uploaded by : birmham@... <birmham@...>
Description : SNS Information

You can access this file at the URL:
https://groups.yahoo.com/neo/groups/nfares/files/Strategic%20National%20Stockpile.docx

To learn more about file sharing for your group, please visit:
https://help.yahoo.com/kb/index?page=content&y=PROD_GRPS&locale=en_US&id=SLN15398

Regards,

birmham@... <birmham@...>

# 2410. Amateur Radio Communicator Vests & Hats - UPDATE 5

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2015-09-10 15:45:37 UTC
From: Mike Cohen
Topic: 2410 Message: 2410

NFARES Team,

I will be placing the order for ARES vests & hats tomorrow, Friday. You should have received a confirmation e-mail from me this morning if you requested a vest or hat.

If you did not receive that e-mail, want to change your order or add to the request list, let me know today.

The vest cost is $18.94 and the hat cost is $14.95.

http://www.safetygearonline.com/ansi-class-ii-surveyor-two-tone-vest
http://www.dxengineering.com/cart/update/8dfa2882-707c-4f0e-8550-802fa7100eef

NFARES Vests SV6G-Lime Rev 09/10/15

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x 21 W4MSA Martha Muir OK
x 22 W4UOC Tom Koch OK
x 23
Zack Hadairi OK
x 24

Quantity 23 13.26 304.98

Printing
4.81 110.63

Shipping

19.95

Total Cost

435.56

Cost each

$18.94

73,
Mike - AD4MC

Mike Cohen
(404) 981-8624

# 2411. North Fulton ARES Net, Sunday, 13 September 2015

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2015-09-12 20:25:03 UTC
From: nfares@yahoogroups.com
Topic: 2411  Message: 2411
Attachments: 1 described; binary payloads are missing from this source WARC

North Fulton ARES Net reminder
When: Sunday, 13 September 2015 04:30 PM to 05:00 PM
(GMT-05:00) Eastern Time (US & Canada)

Where: 147.060(+) NFARL repeater (PL 100), Alternate: 145.470(-) (PL 100)

Notes: Note correct time: Sun, Jul 19, 8:30 PM - 9:00 PM
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# 2412. Shack House Cleaning Sale!

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2015-09-15 16:10:41 UTC
From: KX4Y
Topic: 2412  Message: 2412

Shack house cleaning sale!

Everything for sale was purchased new by me.

All used or stored in smoke free shack.

FOR SALE:

Icom IC-2200H NEW IN BOX - $100 ($180 new IC-2300H)

2 meter, 65 watt mobile, memory programming software included.

Icom IC-2820H D-star - $450 (paid $750 new)

Great D-star Dual Band, Pristine condition, Original Box and equipment

D-star UT-123 board installed, programming software included.

Palstar DL5K, LIKE NEW CONDITION - $350 (paid $500)

5KW Dummy Load with Watt Meter (5/5 on eham.net)

MFJ-269 Antenna Analyzer, NEW IN BOX - $250

Great Antenna Analyzer, includes MJF neoprene case ($37), 6 bands 1.8 MHz - 170 Mhz

Diamond SX-600, NEW IN BOX - $100 ($180 new)

Dual Band Power and SWR Meter, covers 1.8 Mhz - 525 Mhz

RMS or Peak Power, Measures forward, reflected and VSWR power

Icom CT-17 CI-V Level Converter - $75 ($140 new)

Icom rig to computer interface enabling remote control from computer.

RIGblaster Pro, NEW IN BOX (West Mountain Radio) - $100 ($270 new)

Great radio interface for any radio. This unit has USB or RS-232 and works with CIV, CAT or RS232 Radio interfaces.

45' Aluminum Mobile Antenna Mast - $50

Military Kit in perfect condition - 12-4' aluminum sections, ground mount, guy rings, carry bag.

G5RV Lite NEW IN BAG - $25

80-10 meter antenna. Just 66 feet long!

HRO 100' RG-213 Coax with PL-259 connectors NEW IN BAG - $75 ($125 new)

Please email or call 770-364-0155 (leave voice message with number to return call)

I plan to be at the NFARL meeting tonight if that's more convenient.

Thanks for Looking!

Randy Floyd

KX4Y

Email: kx4y@... <mailto:kx4y@...>

# 2413. GA State ARES Badge

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2015-09-16 16:30:26 UTC
From: Mike Cohen
Topic: 2413  Message: 2413
Attachments: 1 described; binary payloads are missing from this source WARC

NFARES Team.

I just sent in my application for the GA State ARES Badge and am hoping that more of you will do the same. They print them in batches of 5, so I now have to wait for 4 more applications to join in this process before I can get my badge.

Here's what you need to do...

Follow the instructions in the attached StateBadgeInfo.pdf and e-mail the information to the State ARES contact, Matt Gonter (AC4MG).

He is the Assistant Section Emergency Coordinator, Education and Validation.

Email address is matt.ares@....

Phone number (678) 439-8404

Address is 45 Ashley Creek Drive, Newnan, GA 30263

According to Mike, K4LJG, Matt will ask you to mail him the check for $15 when he is ready to process a batch of 5.

...Looking forward to wearing my GA State ARES Badge.

73,

Mike - AD4MC

# 2414. Re: [nfares] GA State ARES Badge [1 Attachment]

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2015-09-16 21:21:08 UTC
From: Mike Cohen
Topic: 2414  Message: 2414

PS. Make the check payable to “Georgia ARES Section”

Mike - AD4MC

On Wed, Sep 16, 2015 at 12:30 PM, Mike Cohen ad4mc.mike@... [nfares] <
nfares-noreply@yahoogroups.com> wrote:

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> [Attachment(s) <#14fd6fe8bf53c2e3_TopText> from Mike Cohen included below]
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> NFARES Team.
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> Mike - AD4MC
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# 2415. Digital training for 2015 NFARES SET

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2015-09-17 18:09:55 UTC
From: Mike Cohen
Topic: 2415  Message: 2415

2015 NFARES SET Team,

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*Join us on Sunday nights immediately following our 8:30 PM NFARES net. We will be using the 147.06 (+) PL 100 Hz repeater*

Here is a link to an updated file that includes all the information you will need to get the Fldigi/flmsg system installed:

Fldigi Instructions
<https://docs.google.com/document/d/16_2aw1F8oE6zgMAqdDMEOi2-RMrJfGp1VjOGiN-o9sU/edit>

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Even if you were proficient with the Fldigi system last year, please join us on these nets to get a refresher session and to get familiar with the latest updates.

See you on the radio on Sunday nights...
73,
Mike - AD4MC

Mike Cohen
(404) 981-8624

# 2416. Great video on RMS Express

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2015-09-18 13:10:03 UTC
From: Michael Birmingham
Topic: 2416  Message: 2416

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=xg8XRpnjyuk <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=xg8XRpnjyuk>

This is a good video on RMS Express.

Mike, K4LJG

# 2417. Re: [nfares] Great video on RMS Express

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2015-09-18 15:48:10 UTC
From: Mike Cohen
Topic: 2416  Message: 2417

Mike and NFARES Team,

Yes, very interesting RMS video. If you play it all the way through, it
will start up an fldigi/flmsg video followed by an fldigi HF video.

The fldigi/flmsg video showed how to sync fldigi and flmsg to always have
the same mode, so I just added those instructions to page 12, item 6.

Fldigi Instructions
<https://docs.google.com/document/d/16_2aw1F8oE6zgMAqdDMEOi2-RMrJfGp1VjOGiN-o9sU/edit>

That had been a big problem that now has a solution, so thanks for the tip
to watch it!!

Mike - AD4MC

On Fri, Sep 18, 2015 at 9:10 AM, Michael Birmingham birmham@...
[nfares] <nfares-noreply@yahoogroups.com> wrote:

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> Mike, K4LJG
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>

# 2418. Shack House Cleaning Sale!

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2015-09-18 16:27:58 UTC
From: KX4Y
Topic: 2412  Message: 2418

Shack house cleaning sale!

Everything for sale was purchased new by me.

All used or stored in smoke free shack.

FOR SALE:

Icom IC-2820H D-star - $450 (paid $750 new)

Great D-star Dual Band, Pristine condition, Original Box and equipment

Great D-star dual band with UT-123 board installed, programming software included.

Icom IC-2200H NEW IN BOX - $100 ($180 new IC-2300H)

2 meter, 65 watt mobile, memory programming software included.

Palstar DL5K, LIKE NEW CONDITION - $350 (paid $500)

5KW Dummy Load with Watt Meter (5/5 on eham.net)

MFJ-269 Antenna Analyzer, NEW IN BOX - $250

Great Antenna Analyzer, includes MJF neoprene case ($37), 6 bands 1.8 MHz - 170 Mhz

Diamond SX-600, NEW IN BOX - $100 ($180 new)

Dual Band Power and SWR Meter, covers 1.8 Mhz - 525 Mhz

RMS or Peak Power, Measures forward, reflected and VSWR power

Icom CT-17 CI-V Level Converter - $75 ($140 new)

Icom rig to computer interface enabling remote control from computer.

Please email or call 770-364-0155 (leave voice message with number to return call)

I plan to be at the NFARL meeting tonight if that's more convenient.

Thanks for Looking!

Randy Floyd

KX4Y

Email: kx4y@... <mailto:kx4y@...>

# 2419. North Fulton ARES Net, Sunday, 20 September 2015

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2015-09-19 20:25:02 UTC
From: nfares@yahoogroups.com
Topic: 2419  Message: 2419
Attachments: 1 described; binary payloads are missing from this source WARC

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From: nfares Calendar

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Terms:
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# 2420. North Fulton ARES Net, Sunday, 20 September 2015

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2015-09-19 20:30:13 UTC
From: nfares@yahoogroups.com
Topic: 2419  Message: 2420
Attachments: 1 described; binary payloads are missing from this source WARC

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# 2421. NFARES 2-meter Voice and Digital Training Nets, Sunday, September 20, 2015

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2015-09-22 00:22:09 UTC
From: Mike Cohen
Topic: 2421  Message: 2421

We had 17 check-ins on the NFARES 2-meter net, Sunday, September 20, 2015

KK4PCR ANCS – Grant, Sandy Springs

K4LJG (EC) – Mike, E. Cobb

KK4USI – Gerry, Alpharetta, BP

N4BTA – Bret, Alpharetta

KG5WU – Wayne, Sandy Springs, BP

K4RA – Tim, Roswell. BP

KK4JYO – Fred, Roswell, BP

AC4PA – Pavel, Alpharetta

K4AWF – Tony, Alpharetta

AG4WY – Mark, Sandy Springs

KM4JLC – Larry, Sandy Springs

N4OKN – Will, Roswell, BP

WK4U – Tim, Roswell

KK4ODA – Facundo, Tucker

N7BU – Roger, Cobb

AK4EX – Stuart, Sandy Springs, BP

AD4MC (NCS) - Mike, Sandy Springs, BP

BP = Battery Power

EL = EchoLink

*Tech Chat Monday at* *8:30 PM on the 145.47 *repeater. Also, don't forget
the CHAT ROOM
which can be reached at *nfarl.dodropin.org <http://nfarl.dodropin.org/>* The
chat room is much
fun and where folks search and post links. Can't reach the repeaters?
Then fire up your *Echolink *and connect to node *355800 *to join in.

We welcome all NFARES members to be NCS at least once per year. The Net
Script can be found at nfares.org.

The next scheduled net will be held on September 27th. This net closed at 8:43 PM.

We immediately continued with the NFARES Digital Training Net and had 20 checkins.

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N7BU – Roger, Cobb

AK4EX – Stuart, Sandy Springs, BP

WB3ILX – Ron, ADEC Digital, Paulding

K4RGK – Daryl, Roswell, BP

K4UPI – Lori, Roswell, BP

KM4AUS – Charles, Alpharetta

AD4MC (NCS) - Mike, Sandy Springs, BP

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73,

Mike - AD4MC

404-981-8624

# 2422. Phishing Scheme Targeting ARRL E-Mail Forwarding Service Participants

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2015-09-25 16:55:00 UTC
From: Mike Cohen
Topic: 2422  Message: 2422

FYI, I got one of these phishing e-mails...

Mike - AD4MC

http://www.arrl.org/news/phishing-scheme-targeting-arrl-e-mail-forwarding-service-participants

Phishing Scheme Targeting ARRL E-Mail Forwarding Service Participants
*TAGS:* ARRL IT department
<http://www.arrl.org/news/search/Tag.name:ARRL%20IT%20department>, arrl
members <http://www.arrl.org/news/search/Tag.name:arrl%20members>, e-mail
address <http://www.arrl.org/news/search/Tag.name:e-mail%20address>, e-mails
<http://www.arrl.org/news/search/Tag.name:e-mails>, passwords
<http://www.arrl.org/news/search/Tag.name:passwords>, personal information
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<http://www.arrl.org/news/search/Tag.name:Recipients>, sensitive information
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addresses
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09/25/2015

A phishing scheme currently afoot has been targeting ARRL members who have signed up for the ARRL E-Mail Forwarding Service and have an *@... <http://arrl.net>* e-mail alias. An e-mail from “Arrl Webmail Admin” with the subject line “ACCOUNT UPGRADE” was received September 25 by an unknown number of members who use @... e-mail aliases. The e-mail, which requests that recipients reply by providing their usernames and passwords, did *not* come from the ARRL, and anyone receiving this sort of message should delete it and not reply. The ARRL would never distribute an e-mail requesting personal information.

“ARRL is aware of this phishing scheme and is working to block the sender’s e-mail address at our upstream provider,” said Andy Shefrin, KB1YHB, ARRL’s IT Infrastructure & Operations Manager. “As with any e-mails of unknown origin, do not open or reply.” Simply replying to this e-mail alerts the sender that your e-mail address is valid.

The bogus message indicates that access to @... account holders is being “removed” and accounts “upgraded to a new enhanced web mail user interface provided by arrl.net.” Recipients are being asked to provide usernames and passwords “to ensure your e-mail address book is saved in our database.” This is clearly an effort to harvest @... subscriber

information and valid e-mail addresses.
Ignore any message of this sort that seeks to have recipients provide any sensitive information, such as usernames, account numbers, and passwords.
If you experience any problem with e-mail forwarding, *send* <https://mail.google.com/mail/?view=cm&fs=1&tf=1&to=itstaff@...> details to the ARRL IT Department.

# 2423. North Fulton ARES Net, Sunday, 27 September 2015

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2015-09-26 20:25:05 UTC
From: nfares@yahoogroups.com
Topic: 2423  Message: 2423
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# 2424. North Fulton SET October 3, 2015

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2015-09-26 21:42:19 UTC
From: birmham@...
Topic: 2424  Message: 2424

The North Fulton ARES team is planning now for the 2015 SET, which will be held on Saturday October 3, 2015 between 9:00 AM and 12:00 AM. We need volunteers! It is just two weeks away. We hope to do our usual SET on this date and there will be an upcoming SET with the Georgia Department of Health in November. Details to follow for the November SET.
You don’t need to be available for all four hours. If you can’t get to a location then check in from your house. As we have in past years, we will be concentrating on digital messaging. All you need to do digital is a radio and a computer. Mike Cohen will be holding another digital training class after the NET Sunday night on September 27th.
In the afternoon of October 3rd, Mike Cohen, AD4MC will set up a station at the Maker Faire. So, if you plan to be at the Maker Faire stop by and send some messages! He will need others that are not at the faire to send messages to and from with. Contact Mike at AD4MC@nfarl.org mailto:AD4MC@nfarl.org for details.
If you participated last year and want to go to the same station just let us know. To see a list of SET locations, please click NFARES 2014 SET https://docs.google.com/spreadsheet/ccc?key=0Ah8TgYV27SbEdEp6a3dPVERDTVBjNkhINjVVT3FERHc&usp=sharing_eol#gid=0.
Thanks and hope to see you on October 3, 2015!
73,

Mike, K4LJG, EC of North Fulton ARES

# 2425. NFARES October 3rd SET & Maker Faire

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2015-09-27 14:19:31 UTC
From: Mike Cohen
Topic: 2425  Message: 2425

NFARES TEAM,

NFARES will be represented at the Maker Faire, http://makerfaireatl.com/,
in Downtown Decatur on *Saturday, October 3rd from 1-5PM.*

I will set up an fldig/flmsg station there to exchange messages during the
"afternoon session" of the NFARES SET (knowing that the "real" SET will
probably close down by noon.)

Our 147.06 and 145.47 repeaters may not be reliable into Decatur, so I will
be going there on Monday (tomorrow) morning to checkout which repeaters
will work into the North Fulton area. Norm, WA4ZXV, did some preliminary
tests in Decatur and it looks like the Stone Mountain repeaters may be the
best ones for us to use. I will ask for permission to use those repeaters
before we tie them up.

If you are available on Monday morning, around 10:00 AM, to help me test *voice
*communications, please program your radios for:
146.760 - PL 107.2
145.450 - PL 107.2
444.250 + PL 131.8
If time permits, we can do an initial test tonight after our Voice Net and
before our Digital Net. If we can communicate on voice, we can certainly
communicate using MT63-2KL.

Please consider volunteering to be available to exchange SET messages on
October 3rd PM and also short fldigi messages with the Maker Faire visitors
on *BOTH October 3rd (1-5PM) and October 4th (Noon-5PM)*, like we did at
North Springs Charter High School and the Atlanta Expo.

This should be a great opportunity to show our NFARES stuff at the Maker
Faire where over 35,000 visitors are expected to visit during the weekend.

73,
Mike AD4MC

Mike Cohen
404-981-8624

# 2426. NFARES 2-meter voice and digital training nets, Sunday, September 27, 2015

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2015-09-28 19:36:28 UTC
From: Mike Cohen
Topic: 2426  Message: 2426

We had 20 check-ins on the NFARES 2-meter net, Sunday, September 27, 2015

K4LJG ANCS (EC) – Mike, E. Cobb

AK4EX – Stuart, Branson, MO, BP

KK4JYO – Fred, Savannah, GA, BP, EL

KJ4ZDK -Tad, Florida, NY, BP, EL

KJ4ZDW – Norm, Florida, NY, BP, EL

KK4USI – Gerry, Alpharetta, BP

K4RA – Tim, Roswell. BP

AK4TL – Clyde, Dunwoody, Mobile, BP

AC4PA – Pavel, Alpharetta

W4UOC – Tom, Sandy Springs, BP

WK4U – Tim, Roswell

KI4DSO – George, Norcross

KM4JLC – Larry, Sandy Springs

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N4BTA – Bret, Alpharetta, BP

KK4YDQ – Mike, Milton, BP

K4AWF – Tony, Alpharetta

W4DTX – Dace, Cherokee Couny

KM4EQA – Richard, Dallas

AD4MC (NCS) - Mike, Sandy Springs, BP

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The next scheduled net will be held on October 4th. This net closed at 8:43 PM.

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K4LJG ANCS (EC) – Mike, E. Cobb

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The next scheduled digital training net date is open. This net closed at 9:43 PM.

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Mike - AD4MC

404-981-8624

# 2427. NFARES October 3rd SET & Maker Faire UPDATE

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2015-09-28 21:00:27 UTC
From: Mike Cohen
Topic: 2427  Message: 2427
Attachments: 5 described; binary payloads are missing from this source WARC

NFARES Team,

We were able to have high quality voice contacts this morning to/from Downtown Decatur using our 145.47 (-) PL 100 Hz repeater, so that will be our primary repeater on Saturday and Sunday afternoons for both the NFARES SET and with Maker Faire visitors. Our backup repeater, only if we have issues with 145.47 with be the Stone Mountain 146.760 (-) PL 107.2 Hz.

For the Saturday afternoon continuation of the NFARES SET, we will exchange ICS-213 messages using MT63-2KL.

For the NFARES Maker Faire support on both Saturday & Sunday afternoons, we will exchange fldigi "text messages" with visitors who stop by our station. This is what we did at the

North Springs Charter High School and the Atlanta Expo and got rave reviews.

Mike - AD4MC
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Here's some information on creating and using an fldigi macro that you can use to respond to the macro that I will be using: (I know...I just don't know how to write short instructions.)

I created two sample macros that can be used for Maker Faire. They are in the 4th row of macros on my PC. Of course, you can put your macro. You can change the macro row number by clicking on the number on the far right:
[image: Inline image 3]

*After you create the macro, be sure to save/overwrite it as macros.mdf before closing fldigi.*
[image: Inline image 2]

[image: Inline image 1]

The macro you can use can be called Maker Reply or whatever you wish. Replace Mike, AD4MC and Sandy Springs with your Name,Call and QTH:

<TX>
Hello, <NAME>. My name is Mike and my ham radio callsign is AD4MC. I am located in Sandy Springs.

Glad that you came from <QTH> to visit us at the Maker Faire and hope that you are enjoying our chat on the radio.

Station operator Mike, AD4MC
SK
<RX>

You should right click the visitor's name in the *received *message and
then left click on Name. Then right click on the city or highlighting the
words if more than one, like in Sandy Springs, then left click on QTH.
Then click on the Maker Reply macro to send the response.
[image: Inline image 4]
[image: Inline image 5]

Note that if you use only the Maker Reply macro, no typing is required.

I can watch the visitor's eyes light up when they see their own name and
city show up on the screen! I will let you know about the smile on the
visitor's face!

Vary this process as you wish to make the visitor's experience (and yours)
more fun and interesting.

*Remember to save any changes to the macros before closing fldigi.*

Looking forward to working you on Saturday and Sunday.

73,
Mike AD4MC

Mike Cohen
404-981-8624

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> repeaters will work into the North Fulton area. Norm, WA4ZXV, did some
> preliminary tests in Decatur and it looks like the Stone Mountain repeaters
> may be the best ones for us to use. I will ask for permission to use
> those repeaters before we tie them up.
>
> If you are available on Monday morning, around 10:00 AM, to help me test *voice
> *communications, please program your radios for:
> 146.760 - PL 107.2

> 145.450 - PL 107.2
> 444.250 + PL 131.8
> If time permits, we can do an initial test tonight after our Voice Net and
> before our Digital Net. If we can communicate on voice, we can certainly
> communicate using MT63-2KL.
>
> Please consider volunteering to be available to exchange SET messages on
> October 3rd PM and also short fldigi messages with the Maker Faire visitors
> on *BOTH October 3rd (1-5PM) and October 4th (Noon-5PM)*, like we did at
>
> North Springs Charter High School and the Atlanta Expo.
>
> This should be a great opportunity to show our NFARES stuff at the Maker
> Faire where over 35,000 visitors are expected to visit during the weekend.
>
> 73,
> Mike AD4MC
>
> Mike Cohen
> 404-981-8624
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# 2428. Upcoming SET

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2015-09-29 16:58:39 UTC
From: birmham@...
Topic: 2428  Message: 2428

NFARL ARES SET
October 3, 4 2015 and November 18, 2015

I started writing individual emails to all of last year's participants in the SET but realized very quickly that there is just not enough time before the SET.

We are still asking for volunteers for this year's SET. This is a unique year as we have more than one opportunity to have some fun with us during this year's SET.

We will have our traditional SET as in previous years. It will be held between 9:00 AM to 12:00 PM. Please go to http://tinyurl.com/pxwe6j9 http://tinyurl.com/pxwe6j9 and update, add, or change your information on the spreadsheet. Last year's names are still on the list. If you are not going to be available you can delete your name or if you want to be at another location just change it.

The Maker Faire is going on during the same time as the SET. This year we will have a station at the Maker Faire starting at one o'clock! Mike Cohen, AD4MC will be setting up a station. If you are going to the Faire please stop by and send a message! If you are at home, then get on the 145.47 NFARL repeater and send a message to Mike. For more details go to the NFARES Yahoo Groups page and Mike has posted the details there. The website is
https://groups.yahoo.com/neo/groups/nfares/info
https://groups.yahoo.com/neo/groups/nfares/info

The station will be open on Saturday and Sunday during the Faire. This will be a great opportunity for us to demonstrate to our community what ARES and ham radio can do.

November 18th will be the main event. This is a unique event. We, as well as many other ARES groups, will be supporting an event with the Georgia Department of Health. As of this moment, we are waiting for more information from our DEC, the event goes from November 13th through the 18th. On the 18th is when they will be setting up PODs (points of distribution) at the local malls. I will update everyone when I get more information.

Mike, K4LJG
EC of NFARES
K4ljg@arrl.net mailto:K4ljg@arrl.net

# 2429. Saturday morning SET

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2015-09-30 15:40:58 UTC
From: birmham@...
Topic: 2429  Message: 2429

For everyone who has volunteered again this year, thank you. Please go to the link NFARES 2015 SET https://docs.google.com/spreadsheets/d/1XJBDy9giVbrwyafFbaMlOEWdLrZZFnermxsdJWKs1ZE/edit#gid=0 and check the information. If you are not on the list please let Mike Cohen, AD4MC or me know so we can add you to the list. If you are not going to be available, we would like to hear from you as well so we can take you off the list.

Thanks so much!

Mike, K4LJG
k4ljg@arrl.net

# 2430. 2015 NFARES SET Volunteers

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2015-09-30 21:42:25 UTC
From: Mike Cohen
Topic: 2430  Message: 2430
Attachments: 1 described; binary payloads are missing from this source WARC

To all 2015 NFARES SET volunteers,

Please open the latest spreadsheet link below:
NFARES 2015 SET
<https://docs.google.com/spreadsheets/d/1XJBDy9giVbrwyafFbaMlOEWdLrZZFnermxsdJWKs1ZE/edit#gid=0>

and note that the bottom of the spreadsheet has several tabs.

[image: Inline image 1]

Click on the Message Log Form tab and print out the log form to use during the SET. We would like to keep a record of all messages sent and received. Cleared means that you successfully sent or received that message.

Also note the Frequencies tab, which is unchanged from last year.

Thanks and have a great 2015 SET.

Mike - AD4MC

# 2431. New file uploaded to nfares

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2015-10-01 18:01:17 UTC
From: nfares@yahoogroups.com
Topic: 201  Message: 2431

Hello,

This email message is a notification to let you know that
a file has been uploaded to the Files area of the nfares
group.

File : /2015 EOC-NCS Instructions.doc
Uploaded by : birmham@... <birmham@...>
Description : NCS Instructions for the 2015 SET

You can access this file at the URL:
https://groups.yahoo.com/neo/groups/nfares/files/2015%20EOC-NCS%20Instructions.doc

To learn more about file sharing for your group, please visit:
https://help.yahoo.com/kb/index?page=content&y=PROD_GRPS&locale=en_US&id=SLN15398

Regards,

birmham@... <birmham@...>

# 2432. New file uploaded to nfares

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2015-10-01 18:01:47 UTC
From: nfares@yahoogroups.com
Topic: 201  Message: 2432

Hello,

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a file has been uploaded to the Files area of the nfares
group.

File : /2015 Station Instructions.doc
Uploaded by : birmham@... <birmham@...>
Description : Station Instructions for the 2015 SET

You can access this file at the URL:
https://groups.yahoo.com/neo/groups/nfares/files/2015%20Station%20Instructions.doc

To learn more about file sharing for your group, please visit:
https://help.yahoo.com/kb/index?page=content&y=PROD_GRPS&locale=en_US&id=SLN15398

Regards,

birmham@... <birmham@...>

# 2433. Saturday SET

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2015-10-03 17:58:28 UTC
From: birmham@...
Topic: 2433  Message: 2433

I want to thank everyone who participated in today’s SET. I was impressed with the professionalism and the outstanding job of digital messaging. I don’t know of any station that was unable to send/receive that had that capability at their station. So, it was a job well done.

Thanks again and enjoy the rest of this rainy weekend!

73,

Mike, K4LJG

EC of NFARES

# 2434. SET 2015 setup from AC4PA

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2015-10-05 01:19:10 UTC
From: pavel.anni@...
Topic: 2434  Message: 2434

I have posted a couple of photos about my SET setup. I was located at Alpharetta Fire Station #1. I used a fiberglass mast from Max-Gain Systems with Diamond X50A antenna up roughly 20 ft. This setup enabled me to contact stations in Sandy Springs, Roswell and Alpharetta both with voice and digitally.

Here is the album: https://groups.yahoo.com/neo/groups/nfares/photos/albums/1502716800
https://groups.yahoo.com/neo/groups/nfares/photos/albums/1502716800

Thanks everyone and have a great week!

73,
Pavel AC4PA

# 2435. Re: [nfares] SET 2015 setup from AC4PA

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2015-10-05 01:39:53 UTC
From: Mike Cohen
Topic: 2434  Message: 2435
Attachments: 1 described; binary payloads are missing from this source WARC

Pavel.

Nice pics. Nice setup !

Was your push up pole holding up the parking lot light or visa vera?

Ahh, I see in the 3rd pic that the push up pole is stabilizing your car.

Did the febreze Car help the digital transmissions?
[image: Inline image 1]

Mike - AD4MC

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nfares-noreply@yahoogroups.com> wrote:

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> with Diamond X50A antenna up roughly 20 ft. This setup enabled me to
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> Thanks everyone and have a great week!
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> 73,
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> Pavel AC4PA
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# 2436. Re: [nfares] SET 2015 setup from AC4PA

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2015-10-05 02:03:23 UTC
From: Grant Register
Topic: 2434  Message: 2436
Attachments: 1 described; binary payloads are missing from this source WARC

When I quickly looked the photos I noticed the same thing.....not the Febreze, but the push-up pole. Thought it might have been lashed to the light standard...., nice setup and I heard you very well at SSFS#1.

Sent from my iPad Grant Register

> On Oct 4, 2015, at 21:39, Mike Cohen ad4mc.mike@gmail.com [nfares] <nfares-noreply@yahoogroups.com> wrote:
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> Pavel.
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> Nice pics. Nice setup !
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>> 73,
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>> Pavel AC4PA
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# 2437. NFARES Meeting at MSA on Tuesday, October 13th from 7-9 PM

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2015-10-10 01:35:13 UTC
From: Mike Cohen
Topic: 2437  Message: 2437

NFARES Team,

Our EC, Mike, K4LJG, has been working with our contact at Brandon Hall School to try to reliably have the meeting room opened for us for our monthly NFARES meeting and to have their newly enhanced security force reliably allow us access to the campus. Well, as hard as he has tried, it hasn't been working and we feel that we are being forced to look for alternative location options.

For our next meeting on Tuesday, October 13th from 7-9 PM, Martha, W4MSA, has graciously offered the use of her classroom (and has received permission from her school too !)

The address is:

Mill Springs Academy
13660 New Providence Rd.
Alpharetta, GA 30004
<http://maps.google.com/maps?q=13660%20New%20Providence%20Rd.%2C%20Alpharetta%2C%20GA%2030004&authuser=0>

We have had many activities there (ARISS, Ham Cram, School Club Roundup, Morse Code Key Building project, ...), so you may have already visited there.

Mike, K4LJG, will keep us updated on where future NFARES meeting will be held.

73,
Mike - AD4MC

# 2438. North Fulton ARES Meeting NOTE LOCATION CHANGE FOR THIS MEETING : Mill Springs Academy 13660 New Providence Rd. Alpharetta, GA 30004, Tuesday, 13 October 2015

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2015-10-11 19:02:49 UTC
From: nfares@yahoogroups.com
Topic: 2438  Message: 2438
Attachments: 1 described; binary payloads are missing from this source WARC

North Fulton ARES Meeting NOTE LOCATION CHANGE FOR THIS MEETING : Mill Springs Academy 13660 New Providence Rd. Alpharetta, GA 30004 reminder
When: Tuesday, 13 October 2015 03:00 PM to 05:00 PM
(GMT-05:00) Eastern Time (US & Canada)

Where: Mill Springs Academy 13660 New Providence Rd. Alpharetta, GA 30004

Notes: NFARES Team,

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From: nfares Calendar

Privacy:
http://privacy.yahoo.com/privacy/us

Terms:
http://docs.yahoo.com/info/terms/

# 2439. New file uploaded to nfares

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2015-10-12 01:34:47 UTC
From: nfares@yahoogroups.com
Topic: 201  Message: 2439

Hello,

This email message is a notification to let you know that
a file has been uploaded to the Files area of the nfares
group.

File : /FLDIGI/Link to fldig instructions.doc
Uploaded by : mike_ad4mc <ad4mc.mike@...>
Description :

You can access this file at the URL:
https://groups.yahoo.com/neo/groups/nfares/files/FLDIGI/Link%20to%20fldig%20instructions.doc

To learn more about file sharing for your group, please visit:
https://help.yahoo.com/kb/index?page=content&y=PROD_GRPS&locale=en_US&id=SLN15398

Regards,

mike_ad4mc <ad4mc.mike@...>

# 2440. NFARES Meeting at Mill Springs Aacademy on Tuesday, October 13th from 7-9 PM

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2015-10-12 13:34:32 UTC
From: Mike Cohen
Topic: 2440  Message: 2440

NFARES Team,

Martha, W4MSA, has sent along some detailed directions on how to get to her classroom, so I am forwarding them to you:

*To get to Martha's classroom, where the NFARES meeting will be held, head to Mill Springs Academy at 13660 New Providence Road in Milton (though our mailing address still says Alpharetta). *

*Shortly after you turn in to the driveway of the school, you will have the option to turn right and go up the hill or stay straight (slight veer to left). Stay straight. Come around the curve, past the "Do Not Enter" exit to the parking lot signs. Head towards the black construction fence and turn left into the parking lot. The first building you pass as you come down the hill is the Droege-Rose PreUpper building. This is the building where the meeting will be held. *

*Park anywhere legal and enter the building through the covered double doors. Cross straight through the lobby to the main hall. Turn right and come all the way down the hall. If you don't turn left or right anywhere along that hall, you can't get lost coming to my room. (If you know the shortcut to my room, I'll have that door open, too.)*

*Mill Springs is located 1-2 miles from the Silos-Crabapple area. There is a Subway in the Kroger shopping center across from the Silos. There's a McDonald's across the street the other way. The Crabapple Tavern is near the McDonald's. There are other options around that area, too.*

Looking forward to seeing you on Tuesday night.

73,

Mike AD4MC

Mike Cohen

404-981-8624

# 2441. Re: [nfares] North Fulton ARES Meeting NOTE LOCATION CHANGE FOR THIS MEETING : Mill Springs Academy 13660 New Providence Rd. Alpharetta, GA 30004, Tuesday, 13 October 2015

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2015-10-12 19:21:22 UTC
From: Mike Cohen
Topic: 2438  Message: 2441
Attachments: 1 described; binary payloads are missing from this source WARC

No matter what it says, the *REAL* time of the NFARES meeting is 7-9 PM.

On Sun, Oct 11, 2015 at 3:02 PM, <nfares@yahoogroups.com> wrote:

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> "North Fulton ARES Meeting NOTE LOCATION CHANGE FOR THIS MEETING : Mill
> Springs Academy 13660 New Providence Rd. Alpharetta, GA 30004" reminder
> When
> Tuesday, 13 October 2015
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# 2442. Fwd: Ham radio operators needed for Atlanta 10 Miler on Sunday, October 25, 2015

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2015-10-16 17:45:03 UTC
From: David Ziskind, KE4QLH
Topic: 2442  Message: 2442

Hi,

I am looking for additional volunteers for the *Atlanta 10 Miler on Sunday, October 25, 2015*. This is a relatively short event, with most positions reporting at 6am or later, and most finished by 10:30am or earlier.

Several on-course shadows with various race officials (mobile)...aid stations (fixed location)...5K and 10Miler pace car (mobile)...SAG/sweep vehicles (mobile) positions available. Please sign up online and let me know what you'd like to help with:

<http://www.doitsports.com/volunteer2/info.tcl?job_id=54220354>

Thanks for your help!

73,
David Ziskind KE4QLH
ke4qlh@...

# 2443. RMS Winlink Update

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2015-10-16 21:05:43 UTC
From: eshroger@...
Topic: 2443  Message: 2443

I received the following email from the Winlink Development Team this morning on winlink.

Roger, N7BU

----- Message from SYSTEM sent 2015/10/15 18:52 -----

Message ID: CEBXR8WJE0UF

Date: 2015/10/15 18:52

From: SYSTEM

To: N7AGD; N7AHE; N7AHQ; N7AIR; N7ANA; N7AST; N7AST-11; N7AST-12; N7AST-13; N7BBI; N7BEF; N7BHP; N7BTI; N7BTI-2; N7BU; N7BVX; N7BYG; N7CCO; N7CDV

Source: SYSTEM

Subject: //WL2K User Notice

15 Oct 2015--The Winlink Development Team is making changes to modernize the system and prevent abuse. We have begun to roll out changes to the Common Message Servers (CMS) that will alter the connection behavior of both client software and RMS servers. Previously, users could opt into using a secure login process. In the near future, it will be required of all accounts. Users and Sysops alike should note what to expect. We are working with 3rd-party software authors to help them implement their needed changes, and allowing for a generous grace period to allow updates and a smooth transition. Here's a summary:

1. All Winlink accounts will be required to log in to a CMS securely with a password. Currently, 'secure login' is optional for users, and many accounts do not have passwords. Before they are required later in the transition, the CMS has begun sending to users having non-secure accounts a new system-generated password. If you are not already using 'secure user login' in your client, WebMail on the web site, have not requested a Winlink password from the web site, or run an RMS gateway or RMS Relay station, your account probably does not have a password. You should look in your Winlink mail for a service message from the CMS containing a new unique password associated with your callsign account.

Note: Additional accounts using SSID variations of a callsign will always use the same password--the one associated with the base callsign, without "-0000" (SSID) appended.

Users can change their password, and request recovery of lost passwords using the Winlink web site. Be sure to add a password recovery address to your account settings!

2. Unless created by using RMS Express, all new accounts created by using a client making a first-time connection with a CMS will automatically receive their passwords in a service message. After a grace period, the CMS will require all connections to perform secure login. Prior to that, the password must be configured in a client program to allow successful secure connections.

3. Sysops need do nothing regarding passwords for the accounts running RMS gateways--they already use passwords for secure access to the CMS servers. They should be familiar with the changes in order to assist their users, however.

4. Tactical address accounts can not be used to log into a CMS, but may have associated passwords for security. Passwords are not required for tactical addresses, as they will be for all callsign accounts.

5. We will soon announce a cut-over date (we expect about six months from October 15, today) on which the CMS will begin rejecting un-secure (no password) connections for existing accounts.

--The Winlink Development Team

# 2444. USB programming cables for Kenwood style plugs

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2015-10-19 02:46:17 UTC
From: Mike Cohen
Topic: 2444  Message: 2444

Am in the process of (SLOWLY) updating from Windows 7 to Windows 10 and just found out that some of my radio USB programming cables have the Prolific PL2302 XA or HXA chips which do not have driver support higher than W7. Will need to get cables with newer chips for W10. My rtSYSTEMS cables do work in W10. May have keep one "old" PC with W7 for programming.

From Prolific site:
http://prolificusa.com/portfolio/pl2303hx-rev-d-usb-to-serial-bridge-controller/

*NOTE:*

*Windows 8/8.1/10 are NOT supported in PL-2303HXA and PL-2303X EOL chip versions.Run PL2303 CheckChipVersion tool program in Windows XP/Vista/7 to check chip version.Windows XP, 2000, 98 and Windows ME driver technical support is discontinued.Prolific recommends to use PL-2303HXD (HX Rev D) or PL2303TA chip.*
I guess that this is progress. Right?

Mike - AD4MC

# 2445. Re: [nfares] USB programming cables for Kenwood style plugs

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2015-10-19 15:25:51 UTC
From: Inspector Gadget
Topic: 2444  Message: 2445

It isn't jus the Kenwood type cables. Seems almost any of the Chi cables say Win 10 is not supported. I'm keeping my old netbook running XP just for that. I'm doubting that I'll upgrade my Win 7 laptop either, even with Win 10 being free.

> On Oct 18, 2015, at 10:46 PM, "Mike Cohen ad4mc.mike@gmail.com [nfares]" <nfares-noreply@yahoogroups.com> wrote:
>
> Am in the process of (SLOWLY) updating from Windows 7 to Windows 10 and just found out that some of my radio USB programming cables have the Prolific PL2302 XA or HXA chips which do not have driver support higher than W7. Will need to get cables with newer chips for W10. My rtSYSTEMS cables do work in W10. May have keep one "old" PC with W7 for programming.
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> Mike - AD4MC
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# 2446. 2015 10-18 Net

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2015-10-19 23:55:42 UTC
From: Michael Birmingham
Topic: 2446  Message: 2446

Sunday night Net 10-18-2015

EC NCS K4LJG Mike E. Cobb Digital
AEC ANCS KG5WU Wayne SS Digital
AEC K4RA Tim Roswell Digital
AEC N4SEC Jim Alpharetta Digital
AEC AK4EX Stuart SS Digital
AEC AD4MC Mike SS Digital
EL KJ4ZDK Tad Roswell
KK4USI Gerry Alpharetta Digital
AC4PA Pavel Alpharetta Digital
KK4JYO Fred Roswell Digital
KM4JLC Larry SS Digital
N1RVN Ervin Suwannee
N7BU Roger E. Cobb Digital
K4AWF Tony Alpharetta Digital

We had 14 check ins, 12 digital capable, 9 completed digital messages

Win link Check ins
AK4EX
KJ4ZDK
N7BU
K4AWF

Net ended at 9:01 PM Local

# 2447. USB programming cables for Kenwood style plugs UPDATE

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2015-10-23 21:01:59 UTC
From: Mike Cohen
Topic: 2447  Message: 2447

Now have W10 on a 32bit laptop and 64 bit desktop. Got a new USB programming cable from HRO. All ham programs, including AGW Express, are working fine and I am even liking W10.

73,
Mike AD4MC

Mike Cohen
404-981-8624

On Sun, Oct 18, 2015 at 10:46 PM, Mike Cohen <ad4mc.mike@...> wrote:

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# 2448. Elecraft Enthusiasts for Stone Mountain Hamfest

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2015-10-31 08:20:25 UTC
From: Mike Lozano
Topic: 2448  Message: 2448

Gentlemen,

I am recruiting Ham Radio Operators, whom own Elecraft Radios/Equipment and wish to display their Elecraft Ham Radio/Gear at the Stone Mountain Hamfest Next Weekend (11/7+8/2015)!

I will provide you a free raffle-ticket to enter the hamfest for the weekend and I will also provide your lunch on Saturday.

If this is your first time you participate as an Volunteer "Enthusiast" demonstrating/ talking about your Elecraft Ham Radio Equipment, I will get you an Elecraft Polo Shirt from Elecraft, which will have your Name and Callsign on it!

You will also have some time to roam the HAMFEST for those "other things" you always need, but forgot to get last time. We will rotate in/out so there are at least 2-3 folks always with all the equipment - it works out well for everyone!

If you have any questions, please send me an email. I would like to know if you are planning to participate NLT Wednesday, 11/04/2015, as I have to buy enough tickets for everyone!

Regards,

Mike
KF4UPO

# 2449. Hamfest Youth Lounge Digital Station

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2015-10-31 12:15:37 UTC
From: Mike Cohen
Topic: 2449  Message: 2449
Attachments: 5 described; binary payloads are missing from this source WARC

NFARES Team,

It's time for a repeat performance in showing how we can do digital texting. This time it will be in the Youth Lounge at the Stone Mountain Hamfest on Saturday, November 7th from 9A-3P.

Again, we'll try to use our 145.47 (-) PL 100 Hz repeater as our primary repeater on Saturday. Our backup repeater, if we have issues with 145.47 with be the Stone Mountain repeater, 146.760 (-) PL 107.2 Hz.

For the NFARES Youth Lounge support, we will exchange fldigi MT63-2KL "text messages" with visitors who stop by our station. This is what we did at the

North Springs Charter High School, the Atlanta Expo and the Maker Faire.

Please let me know if you can be available for any time between 9A and 3P. If you are not available because you are coming to the Hamfest, stop by to say "Hi" in person.

73,
Mike AD4MC

Mike Cohen
404-981-8624
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Here's some information on creating an fldigi macro that you can use to respond to the macro that I will be using:

I created two sample macros that can be used for the Hamfest. They are in the 4th row of macros on my PC. Of course, you can put your macro wherever you want. You can change the macro row number by clicking on the number on the far right:
[image: Inline image 1]

*After you create the macro, be sure to save/overwrite it as macros.mdf before closing fldigi.*
[image: Inline image 2]

[image: Inline image 1]

The macro you use can be called Hamfest Reply or whatever you wish. Replace Mike, AD4MC and Sandy Springs with your Name,Call and QTH:

<TX>
Hello, <NAME>. My name is Mike and my ham radio callsign is AD4MC. I am located in Sandy Springs.

Glad that you came from <QTH> to visit us at the Hamfest and hope that you are enjoying our chat on the radio.

Station operator Mike, AD4MC
SK
<RX>

You should right click the visitor's name in the *received *message and then left click on Name. Then right click on the city or highlight the words if more than one, like in Sandy Springs, then left click on QTH. Then click on the Hamfest Reply macro to send your response.
[image: Inline image 1]
[image: Inline image 2]

Note that if you use only the Hamfest Reply macro, no typing is required, just several mouse clicks.

I can watch the visitor's eyes light up when they see their own name and city show up on the screen! I will let you know (by voice) about the smile on the visitor's face!

Vary this process as you wish to make the visitor's experience (and yours) more fun and interesting.

*Remember to save any changes to the macros before closing fldigi.*

Looking forward to "texting" you on Saturday, November 7th from 9A-3P.

73,
Mike AD4MC

Mike Cohen
404-981-8624

# 2450. Hamjam

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2015-10-31 17:41:18 UTC
From: Michael Birmingham
Topic: 2450  Message: 2450

On November 14, 2015 the Hamjam will be held at the Metropolitan Club, 5895 Windward Parkway, Alpharetta.

The NFARES group has been asked to man the talk-in for the event. I especially need someone who is familiar with the area to give directions.

It would be great to have ARES members, along with their HTs and their brand new vests and hats to help with this event. There will be signs posted for the event. It would be great if we can have some volunteers near or close by to those signs to help direct people to the event.

Even if you are not directly participating in the talk-in, bring along and wear your vests and hats anyway. One of the speakers this year is Mike Corey, KI1U who is the ARRL Emergency Preparedness Manager. I think this would be a great way to show him our appreciation for the job he does.

If you have a Georgia ARES badge then wear it to the event.

No matter what, I hope that everyone is coming to this great event. It is always worth the time. And it is free! But, if you want to win prizes and support the youth programs, raffle tickets are still available! There are over $8,100 worth or prizes! http://www.hamjam.info <http://www.hamjam.info/>

Let me know if you are able to participate.

73,

Mike, K4LJG
EC of NFARES

# 2451. NFARES 2-meter net, Sunday, November 1, 2015

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2015-11-02 16:46:35 UTC
From: Mike Cohen
Topic: 2451  Message: 2451

We had 15 check-ins on the NFARES 2-meter net, Sunday, November 1, 2015
KG5WU – Wayne, ANCS, Sandy Springs

K4LJG – Mike, EC NFARES, E. Cobb

K4RA – Tim, AEC Roswell, BP

N4SEC – Jim, AEC, Alpharetta

KJ4ZDK -Tad, Florida, NY, BP, EL

KF4UPO – Mike, Norcress, EL

KK4USI – Gerry, Alpharetta, BP

AC4PA – Pavel, Alpharetta

KK4JYO – Fred, Roswell, BP

K4AWF – Tony, Alpharetta

KM4JLC – Larry, Sandy Springs

KK4ZGZ – Cody, Mobile, Cherokee County

KK4TSJ – Charles, Smyrna

AK4TL – Clyde, Dunwoody, Mobile, BP

AD4MC (NCS) - Mike, Sandy Springs, BP

BP = Battery Power

EL = EchoLink

*Tech Chat Monday at* *8:30 PM on the 145.47 *repeater. Also, don't forget
the CHAT ROOM which can be reached at *nfarl.dodropin.org
<http://nfarl.dodropin.org/>*

The chat room is much fun and where folks search and post links.

Can't reach the repeaters? Then fire up your *Echolink *and connect to
node *355800
*to join in.

NFARES Meeting, Tuesday, November 10th, 7-9 PM, Fellowship Bible Church,
Room 203, 480 W Crossville Rd, Roswell, GA 30075

Stone Mountain Hamfest, November 7&8 http:/www.stonemountainhamfest.com
<http://www.stonemountainhamfest.com/>

HamJam November 14 http://www.hamjam.info

NFARES SET Wednesday, November 18th, 5 AM – 9:30 AM, NFARES 2015 SET <https://docs.google.com/spreadsheets/d/1XJBDy9giVbrwyafFbaMlOEWdLrZZFnermxsdJWKs1ZE/edit#gid=0>

We welcome all NFARES members to be NCS at least once per year. The Net Script can be found at nfares.org.

The next scheduled net will be held on November 8th. This net closed at 9:00 PM.

73,

Mike - AD4MC

404-981-8624

# 2452. North Fulton ARES Meeting, Tuesday, 10 November 2015

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2015-11-08 19:00:32 UTC
From: nfares@yahoogroups.com
Topic: 2452  Message: 2452
Attachments: 1 described; binary payloads are missing from this source WARC

North Fulton ARES Meeting reminder
When: Tuesday, 10 November 2015 02:00 PM to 04:00 PM
(GMT-05:00) Eastern Time (US & Canada)

Where: Fellowship Bible Church, Room 203, 480 W Crossville Rd, Roswell, GA 30075
fellowshiproswell.org/ Thanks to Tim, K4RA, for setting up this meeting place.

Notes: NOTE: Correct time is 7-9PM WE ARE NO LONGER MEETING AT BRANDON HALL SCHOOL

From: nfares Calendar

Privacy:
http://privacy.yahoo.com/privacy/us

Terms:
http://docs.yahoo.com/info/terms/

# 2453. Hat & Vest

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2015-11-16 00:17:26 UTC
From: Mike Cohen
Topic: 2453  Message: 2453

NFARES Team,

There is one unclaimed XL vest ($18) and one ARES hat ($17) available if you want either or both ($35).

Just let me know if you are interested.

73,
Mike AD4MC

Mike Cohen
404-981-8624

# 2454. Re: Hat & Vest

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2015-11-16 00:28:04 UTC
From: Mike Cohen
Topic: 2453  Message: 2454

The hat and vest are claimed.

73,
Mike AD4MC

Mike Cohen
404-981-8624

On Sun, Nov 15, 2015 at 7:17 PM, Mike Cohen <ad4mc.mike@...> wrote:

> NFARES Team,
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> 73,
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> Mike Cohen
> 404-981-8624
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# 2455. November 18 NFARES SET

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2015-11-16 19:50:26 UTC
From: jim_paine@...
Topic: 2455  Message: 2455

North Fulton ARES (Amateur Radio Emergency Service) will be participating in a brief Simulated Emergency Test (SET) on Wednesday morning November 18 from 6:00 am to 9:00 am. The Georgia Department of Public Health (DPH) along with Fulton County will be performing a Strategic National Stockpile (SNS) drill at North Point Mall in Alpharetta at this time. North Fulton ARES is participating by testing our communications capabilities from the Alpharetta Mobile Command Vehicle (MCV) at the site. Mike Clark (KK4YDQ) and I (N4SEC) will be operating from the MCV utilizing the NFARES Roswell Water Tower repeater on 147.060 MHz + p/l 100. Our backup repeater is the NFARL 440 repeater on 444.475 MHz + p/l 100. We are asking for check-ins using voice and MT-63 2KL messaging. Using FLDIGI with FLMSG and the ICS-213 form is encouraged. You do not have to be an ARES member to participate. Contact me at N4SEC@nfarl.org if you have any questions or need additional information.

Jim Paine N4SEC

# 2456. //WL2KR/ North Fulton ARES Sunday Night Net 15 Nov 2015

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2015-11-17 00:59:29 UTC
From: Fred Ackley
Topic: 2456  Message: 2456

The following units checked in for the November 15, 2015 Sunday net.

1 KK4YJO FRED NCS Roswell Battery Power

2 KK4PCR GRANTANCS SANDY SPRINGS Commercial Power

3 K4LJG MIKE ANCS EAST COBB Commercial Power (NFARES EC)

4 KG5WU WAYNE SANDY SPRINGS Battery Power

5 KK4YDQ MIKE MILTON Battery Power

6 N4SEC JIM ALPHARETTA Battery Power

7 AD4MC MIKE Sandy Springs Battery Power

8 AK4EX STEWART SANDY SPRINGS Battery Power

9 W4UOC TOM SANDY SPRINGS Battery Power

10 KK4USI GERRY ALPHARETTA Commercial Power

11 N4BTA BRET ALPHARETTA Battery Power

12 KM4JLC LARRY SANDY SPRINGS Battery Power

13 AC4PA PAVEL ALPHARETTA Battery Power

14 KI4DSO GEORGE NORCROSS Commercial Power

15 K4AWF TONY ALPHARETTA Commercial Power

16 K4RA TIM ROSWELL Battery Power (mobile)

17 N4AAG RICK MARIETTA echolink

Total Checkins: 17

Post Net, several units exchanged digital transmissions. Net Control had full copy on all transmission tests.

N4SEC advised of the upcoming State SET exercise on Wednesday, November 18. Units are asked to check in sometime before 9 AM on the NFARL 06 repeater.

Net closed 21:09 EST

# 2457. NFARES NET

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2015-11-23 20:49:21 UTC
From: Michael Birmingham
Topic: 2457  Message: 2457

North Fulton ARES NET 11-22-2015

NCS K4LJG MIKE E COBB EC D
ANCS AD4MC MIKE SANDY SPRINGS AEC D
KM4JXE SCOTT ATLANTA EL
AK4EX STUART SANDY SPRINGS AEC D
N4SEC JIM ALPHARETTA AEC D
KK4PCR GRANT SANDY SPRINGS D
N4BA BRETT ALPHARETTA D
KM4JLC LARRY SANDY SPRINGS D
KK4USI GERRY ALPHARETTA
AK4TL CLYDE DUNWOODY
K4AWF TONY ALPHARETTA D
N4AAG RICK MARIETTA
KK4ZGZ COTY MARIETTA
KK4JYO FRED ATLANTA

WE HAD 14 CHECK INS INCLUDING MYSELF. WE HAD 6 DIGITAL STATIONS WHO ALL SENT/RECEIVED MESSAGES.
Note: EL Echolink, D digital

NET ENDED AT 8:54 PM EST.

# 2458. ARES net 11029-2015

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2015-11-30 16:55:18 UTC
From: Michael Birmingham
Topic: 2458  Message: 2458

North Fulton ARES NET 11-29-2015

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ANCS AK4EX STUART SANDY SPRINGS AEC D
AD4MC MIKE SANDY SPRINGS AEC D
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KJ4ZDK TAD ROSWELL E.L., RF AND WINLINK
W4UOC TOM SANDY SPRINGS AEC D
KK4JYO FRED ROSWELL D
KM4JLC LARRY SANDY SPRINGS D
K4AWF TONY ALPHARETTA D
KM4GRC JOHN SANDY SPRINGS

WE HAD 12 CHECK-INS INCLUDING MYSELF. WE HAD 9 DIGITAL STATIONS WHO ALL SENT/RECEIVED MESSAGES.

NET ENDED AT 8:54 PM EST.

# 2459. Fwd: [MARS_Winlink] Digest Number 957

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2015-12-01 12:44:51 UTC
From: Mike Cohen
Topic: 2459  Message: 2459

FYI

Mike - AD4MC
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From: <MARS_Winlink@yahoogroups.com>
Date: Sat, Nov 28, 2015 at 3:34 AM
Subject: [MARS_Winlink] Digest Number 957
To: MARS_Winlink@yahoogroups.com

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RMS Express registration announcement <#1514d3ade198e051_1a> by w4phs
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Fri Nov 27, 2015 8:21 am (PST) . Posted by: w4phs
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Fri Nov 27, 2015 8:42 am (PST) . Posted by: "Vollie Miller" w4tdb
<wb4tdb@...?subject=Re%3A%20RMS%20Express%20registration%20announcement>

Phil,
Already made two $39 donations but will be very glad to
make another donation, more than the $39.00!
73

Vollie, NA4C/AFA4MZ

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To: MARS_Winlink <MARS_Winlink@yahoogroups.com>
Sent: Fri, Nov 27, 2015 10:21 am
Subject: [MARS_Winlink] RMS Express registration announcement

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Fri Nov 27, 2015 8:43 am (PST) . Posted by: "Phil Sherrod" w4phs
<phil@...?subject=Re%3A%20RMS%20Express%20registration%20announcement>
Thank you Vollie! I appreciate your enthusiasm. If everyone who's using RMS Express makes one donation of $39, it will be fine.

Phil, NCS398

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Fri Nov 27, 2015 12:20 pm (PST) . Posted by: "Allen Shuff" allenshuff
<allenshuff@...?subject=Re%3A%20RMS%20Express%20registration%20announcement>
Phil,
I registered two copies of Winmor and paid the fee for both several years ago; however, I have changed pc's and do not remember the the registration key for either copy. One of the registrations was for my amateur call sign W9ON and the other was for my Navy MARS callsign NNN0APN. Since Navy MARS no longer exists, I have an AF MARS ccall sign AFA5AP. I nono longer use RMS EXPRESS on the HAM bands; however, I do use it on MARS. Would you have any record of either one of my previously purchased keys keys?

Thank you,

Allen R. Shuff / AFA5AP

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Allen R. Shuff
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Thanks,

Steve

Sent from my iPhone

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key for either copy. One of the registrations was for my amateur call sign
W9ON and the other was for my Navy MARS callsign NNN0APN. Since Navy MARS
no longer exists, I have an AF MARS ccall sign AFA5AP. I nono longer use
RMS EXPRESS on the HAM bands; however, I do use it on MARS. Would you have
any record of either one of my previously purchased keys keys?
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# 2460. North Fulton ARES Meeting, Tuesday, 08 December 2015

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2015-12-06 18:55:08 UTC
From: nfares@yahoogroups.com
Topic: 2460  Message: 2460
Attachments: 1 described; binary payloads are missing from this source WARC

North Fulton ARES Meeting reminder
When: Tuesday, 08 December 2015 02:00 PM to 04:00 PM
(GMT-05:00) Eastern Time (US & Canada)

Where: Fellowship Bible Church, Room 203, 480 W Crossville Rd, Roswell, GA 30075
fellowshiproswell.org/ Thanks to Tim, K4RA, for setting up this meeting place.

Notes: NOTE: Correct time is 7-9PM WE ARE NO LONGER MEETING AT BRANDON HALL SCHOOL

From: nfares Calendar

Privacy:
http://privacy.yahoo.com/privacy/us

Terms:
http://docs.yahoo.com/info/terms/

# 2461. GlobalSET 2015 Worldwide Preparedness Exercise to Focus on Organization

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2015-12-09 17:15:17 UTC
From: Mike Cohen
Topic: 2461  Message: 2461

FYI

http://www.arrl.org/news/globalset-2015-worldwide-preparedness-exercise-to-focus-on-organization

Mike - AD4MC

# 2462. Latest version(s) of fldigi

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2015-12-09 19:40:20 UTC
From: Mike Cohen
Topic: 2462  Message: 2462
Attachments: 1 described; binary payloads are missing from this source WARC

NFARES Team,

Thanks to Wayne's KG5WU comments at last night's meeting, we learned about fldigi 3.23.06, which now includes showing all 48 macros, by *View, View/Hide 48 macros*.

[image: Inline image 1]

There may have been a bug or two in that version, because they are also offering a beta version:
*Download fldigi-3.23.07.03_setup.exe (5.2 MB)
<http://sourceforge.net/projects/fldigi/files/latest/download?source=files>*

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<https://docs.google.com/document/d/16_2aw1F8oE6zgMAqdDMEOi2-RMrJfGp1VjOGiN-o9sU/edit> has
been updated to show the download link for 3.23.06.*

*Note that the latest version of flmsg is still 2.0.12.*

73,
Mike AD4MC

Mike Cohen
404-981-8624

# 2463. Re: [nfares] Latest version(s) of fldigi

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2015-12-09 23:49:00 UTC
From: Bret Arnold
Topic: 2462  Message: 2463

The 3.23.07.03 allows the 48 Macros to be docked, just like Wayne wanted to place it and leave it.
73,
Bret
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On Wed, 12/9/15, Mike Cohen ad4mc.mike@... [nfares] <nfares-noreply@yahoogroups.com> wrote:

Subject: [nfares] Latest version(s) of fldigi
To: "NFARES" <nfares@yahoogroups.com>
Date: Wednesday, December 9, 2015, 2:40 PM

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Cohen404-981-8624

# 2464. Re: [nfares] Latest version(s) of fldigi

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2015-12-09 23:49:53 UTC
From: Mike Cohen
Topic: 2462  Message: 2464

Cool!
On Dec 9, 2015 6:49 PM, "Bret Arnold" <n4bta@...> wrote:

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> to place it and leave it.
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# 2465. WL2K Packet P2P on 2M

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2015-12-10 00:16:36 UTC
From: Bret Arnold
Topic: 2465  Message: 2465

Group,
My Winlink Packet station is listening on 146.580 Simplex/Alpharetta for Point to Point connections, beam SSW toward Sandy Springs. Mike was able to reach me on 5 watts. I can point it at you if needed.

Anyone wanting to try their TNC or AGW Express Packet station can try to connect. Go to RMS Setup and make sure P2P is enabled. To pass me a message, compose it, address it to N4BTA without the @..., and post it to P2P instead of WL2K. Remember to set it back to WL2K for Internet delivery when you are done P2P.

I'll leave it up till 23:00 or later, and can do this often for those who want to play with packet. Just let me know.
Give me a call, drop a message, or just try connections.
Have Fun,
Bret

# 2466. Re: [nfares] WL2K Packet P2P on 2M

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2015-12-10 01:01:55 UTC
From: Mike Cohen
Topic: 2465  Message: 2466

NFARES Team,

Have been exchanging P-P messages with Bret. Works GREAT!

Just realized, though, that most of my radios had 147.580 instead of
146.580 programmed in for A-M-1. Am in the process of reprogramming them.
Will post the updated CHIRP files on
*https://groups.yahoo.com/neo/groups/nfares/files/CHIRP/
<https://groups.yahoo.com/neo/groups/nfares/files/CHIRP/> * Look for files
with a 2015-12-09 date.

*73,*
*Mike AD4MC*

*Mike Cohen*
*404-981-8624*

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# 2467. New file uploaded to nfares

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2015-12-10 01:12:25 UTC
From: nfares@yahoogroups.com
Topic: 201  Message: 2467

Hello,

This email message is a notification to let you know that
a file has been uploaded to the Files area of the nfares
group.

File : /CHIRP/CHIRP KG-UV2D AD4MC 2015-12-09.img
Uploaded by : mike_ad4mc <ad4mc.mike@...>
Description :

You can access this file at the URL:
https://groups.yahoo.com/neo/groups/nfares/files/CHIRP/CHIRP%20KG-UV2D%20AD4MC%202015-12-09.img

To learn more about file sharing for your group, please visit:
https://help.yahoo.com/kb/index?page=content&y=PROD_GRPS&locale=en_US&id=SLN15398

Regards,

mike_ad4mc <ad4mc.mike@...>

# 2468. New file uploaded to nfares

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2015-12-10 01:16:35 UTC
From: nfares@yahoogroups.com
Topic: 201  Message: 2468

Hello,

This email message is a notification to let you know that
a file has been uploaded to the Files area of the nfares
group.

File : /CHIRP/CHIRP UV5R AD4MC 2015-12-09.img
Uploaded by : mike_ad4mc <ad4mc.mike@...>
Description :

You can access this file at the URL:
https://groups.yahoo.com/neo/groups/nfares/files/CHIRP/CHIRP%20UV5R%20AD4MC%202015-12-09.img

To learn more about file sharing for your group, please visit:
https://help.yahoo.com/kb/index?page=content&y=PROD_GRPS&locale=en_US&id=SLN15398

Regards,

mike_ad4mc <ad4mc.mike@...>

# 2469. New file uploaded to nfares

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2015-12-10 01:23:18 UTC
From: nfares@yahoogroups.com
Topic: 201  Message: 2469

Hello,

This email message is a notification to let you know that
a file has been uploaded to the Files area of the nfares
group.

File : /CHIRP/CHIRP UVB5 MSA 2015-12-09.img
Uploaded by : mike_ad4mc <ad4mc.mike@...>
Description :

You can access this file at the URL:
https://groups.yahoo.com/neo/groups/nfares/files/CHIRP/CHIRP%20UVB5%20MSA%202015-12-09.img

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Regards,

mike_ad4mc <ad4mc.mike@...>

# 2470. New file uploaded to nfares

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2015-12-10 01:27:31 UTC
From: nfares@yahoogroups.com
Topic: 201  Message: 2470

Hello,

This email message is a notification to let you know that
a file has been uploaded to the Files area of the nfares
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File : /CHIRP/CHIRP FT-60 KK4USI 2015-12-09.img
Uploaded by : mike_ad4mc <ad4mc.mike@...>
Description :

You can access this file at the URL:
https://groups.yahoo.com/neo/groups/nfares/files/CHIRP/CHIRP%20FT-60%20KK4USI%202015-12-09
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Regards,

mike_ad4mc <ad4mc.mike@...>

# 2471. New file uploaded to nfares

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2015-12-10 01:31:01 UTC
From: nfares@yahoogroups.com
Topic: 201  Message: 2471

Hello,

This email message is a notification to let you know that
a file has been uploaded to the Files area of the nfares
group.

File : /CHIRP/CHIRP AD4MC UV-8D 2015-12-09.img
Uploaded by : mike_ad4mc <ad4mc.mike@...>
Description :

You can access this file at the URL:
https://groups.yahoo.com/neo/groups/nfares/files/CHIRP/CHIRP%20AD4MC%20UV-8D%202015-12-09.
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Regards,

mike_ad4mc <ad4mc.mike@...>

# 2472. New file uploaded to nfares

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2015-12-10 01:37:32 UTC
From: nfares@yahoogroups.com
Topic: 201  Message: 2472

Hello,

This email message is a notification to let you know that
a file has been uploaded to the Files area of the nfares
group.

File : /CHIRP/AD4MC ID-800H 2015-12-09.icf
Uploaded by : mike_ad4mc <ad4mc.mike@...>
Description :

You can access this file at the URL:
https://groups.yahoo.com/neo/groups/nfares/files/CHIRP/AD4MC%20ID-800H%202015-12-09.icf

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Regards,

mike_ad4mc <ad4mc.mike@...>

# 2473. New file uploaded to nfares

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2015-12-10 01:50:21 UTC
From: nfares@yahoogroups.com
Topic: 201  Message: 2473

Hello,

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a file has been uploaded to the Files area of the nfares
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File : /CHIRP/CHIRP FT-897US MSA 2015-12-09.img
Uploaded by : mike_ad4mc <ad4mc.mike@...>
Description :

You can access this file at the URL:
https://groups.yahoo.com/neo/groups/nfares/files/CHIRP/CHIRP%20FT-897US%20MSA%202015-12-09
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Regards,

mike_ad4mc <ad4mc.mike@...>

# 2474. New file uploaded to nfares

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2015-12-10 01:57:21 UTC
From: nfares@yahoogroups.com
Topic: 201  Message: 2474

Hello,

This email message is a notification to let you know that
a file has been uploaded to the Files area of the nfares
group.

File : /CHIRP/CHIRP ID880-H SSPD 2015-12-09.img
Uploaded by : mike_ad4mc <ad4mc.mike@...>
Description :

You can access this file at the URL:
https://groups.yahoo.com/neo/groups/nfares/files/CHIRP/CHIRP%20ID880-H%20SSPD%202015-12-09
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To learn more about file sharing for your group, please visit:
https://help.yahoo.com/kb/index?page=content&y=PROD_GRPS&locale=en_US&id=SLN15398

Regards,

mike_ad4mc <ad4mc.mike@...>

# 2475. NFARES 2-meter net, Sunday, December 13, 2015

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2015-12-14 02:28:13 UTC
From: Mike Cohen
Topic: 2475  Message: 2475

We had 10 check-ins on the NFARES 2-meter net, Sunday, December 13, 2015
KK4PCR – Grant, ANCS, Sandy Springs, D

AK4EX – Stuart, AEC Sandy Springs, BP, D

K4RA – Tim, AEC Roswell, BP, D

N4SEC – Jim, AEC, Alpharetta, BP, D

KK4USI – Gerry, Alpharetta, BP, D

KM4JLC – Larry, Sandy Springs, BP, D

AC4PA – Pavel, Alpharetta, BP, D

K4AWF – Tony, Alpharetta

WA4QMJ – Jonathan, Sandy Springs

AD4MC (NCS) - Mike, AEC Sandy Springs, BP, D

BP = Battery Power

D = Digital Capable

EL = EchoLink

*Tech Chat Monday at* *8:30 PM on the 145.47 *repeater. Also, don't forget
the CHAT ROOM

which can be reached at *nfarl.dodropin.org <http://nfarl.dodropin.org/>* The
chat room is much
fun and where folks search and post links. Can't reach the repeaters?
Then fire up your *Echolink *and connect to node *355800 *to join in.

We welcome all NFARES members to be NCS at least once per year. The Net
Script can be found at nfares.org.

The next scheduled net will be held on December 20th. This net closed at
8:57 PM.

73,

Mike - AD4MC

404-981-8624

# 2476. NFARES Net 12/20/2015

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2015-12-22 19:57:54 UTC
From: birmham@...
Topic: 2476  Message: 2476

NFARES NET 12-20-2015

NCS K4LJG MIKE E COBB EC
ANCS AD4MC MIKE SANDY SPRINGS AEC
K4RA TIM ROSWELL AEC
N4SEC JIM ALPHARETTA AEC
AK4EX STUART SANDY SPRINGS AEC (EL)
KK4PCR GRANT SANDY SPRINGS (EL)
KK4JYO FRED ROSWELL (EL)
AC4PA PAVEL ALPHARETTA
KM4PTB ALEX CANTON (EL)
KK4USI GERRY ALPHARETTA
KJ4ZDK TAD ROSWELL (EL)
KE4EM BOB ROSWELL
K4AWF TONY ALPHARETTA
WA0QMJ JONATHAN SANDY SPRINGS
N8SGZ DAVID UPPER PEN MI (EL)
KM4PMQ BRICE HYRAM
K4YVH ALTON WINDER

WE HAD 17 CHECK INS INCLUDING MYSELF. THE 147.06 REPEATER WAS NOT OPERATIONAL SO WE QSY TO 145.47.

THE NET WENT FROM 8:30 PM TO 9:07. THE NEXT NET IS SCHEDULED FOR 12-27-2015.

# 2477. NFARES Net, Sunday, December 27, 2015

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2015-12-30 13:08:27 UTC
From: Grant Register
Topic: 2477 Message: 2477

Following is the roster
KK4PCR GRANT SS COM NET CONTROLAD4MC MIKE
SS BAT ALT. NET CONTROLK4LJG MIKE E COBB BAT EC
NORTH FULTONKG5WU WAYNE SS BAT AECK4RA TIM
ROS BATT AECN4SEC JIM ALP BATT AECK4SJR
FRANK PICKENS BATT AEC PICKENSKM4PTB ALEX CANTON
ECHOLINKKJ4ZDK TAD ROS ECHOLINKKK4USI GERRY
ALP COMKMJLC LARRY SS BATAC4PA PAVEL
ALP BATKK4YDQ MIKE MILTON BATN7BU ROGER COBB
COMWA0QMJ JONATHAN SS COMK4RFL RUBIN ROS COMKM4PUB GEORGE
WOODSTOCK COMK4AWF TONY ALP COM
No digital practice was held.

# 2478. flmsg updated to 2.0.14.

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2016-01-03 16:31:31 UTC
From: Mike Cohen
Topic: 2478  Message: 2478

FYI

flmsg updated to 2.0.14. Not essential, but always good to have the latest
versions of fldigi and flmsg.

Now included in Fldigi Instructions
<https://docs.google.com/document/d/16_2aw1F8oE6zgMAqdDMEOi2-RMrJfGp1VjOGiN-o9sU/edit>

Mike - AD4MC

Messages
1flmsg 2.0.14 posting
<https://groups.yahoo.com/neo/groups/NBEMSham/conversations/topics/12811;_ylc=X3oDMTJzOTA0
a2ZzBF9TAzk3MzU5NzE1BGdycElkAzIxNDU0Nzk3BGdycHNwSWQDMTcwNTA2MzEwOARtc2dJZAMxMjgxMQRzZWMDZG
1zZwRzbGsDdm1zZwRzdGltZQMxNDUxODEyMDUy>
Sat Jan 2, 2016 1:26 pm (PST) . Posted by:"w1hkj" w1hkj
<w1hkj@...?subject=Re%3A%20flmsg%202%2E0%2E14%20posting>
Posted on Source Forge,
https://sourceforge.net/projects/fldigi/files/flmsg/

Version 2.0.14

flmsg-dir
* Correct use of --flmsg-dir command line parameter
* Change priority of xdg-open call in function open_url

If you are building from source and want to download from a command line:

$ wget
http://sourceforge.net/projects/fldigi/files/flmsg/flmsg-2.0.14.tar.gz

will fetch the 2.0.14 compressed source file from the "best" Source
Forge server at the time of the request.

73, Dave, W1HKJ

# 2479. North Fulton ARES Net 1-3-2016

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2016-01-05 01:52:59 UTC
From: Michael Birmingham
Topic: 2479  Message: 2479

North Fulton ARES NET
1-3-2016

K4LJG, Mike, NCS, m
KG5WU, Wayne, ANCS, d, m
KM4JLC, Larry, el
N4SEC, Jim, el
KK4YDQ, Mike
AK4EX, Stuart, d, m
KJ4ZDK,Tad
AC4PA, PaveL, m
W4UOC, Tom, m, f1
AD4MC,Mike, m
K4AFW, Tony
W4DTX, Dave, cherokee
WA0QMJ, Jonathon, m
K4RA, Tim, m

;14, m8, d2, f1, w0

Codes: m=MT63, d=D-Rats, f=form, w=Winlink/RMS Express

We have 14 check-ins, 8 using MT63, 2 using D-Rats, 1 digital form, 0 Winlink/RMS Express

Net Started at 8:30 PM to 8:58 PM. Next net on 1-10-2016 at 8:30

# 2480. North Fulton ARES Meeting, Tuesday, 12 January 2016

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2016-01-10 18:55:14 UTC
From: nfares@yahoogroups.com
Topic: 2480  Message: 2480
Attachments: 1 described; binary payloads are missing from this source WARC

North Fulton ARES Meeting reminder
When: Tuesday, 12 January 2016 02:00 PM to 04:00 PM
(GMT-05:00) Eastern Time (US & Canada)

Where: Fellowship Bible Church, Room 203, 480 W Crossville Rd, Roswell, GA 30075
fellowshiproswell.org/ Thanks to Tim, K4RA, for setting up this meeting place.

Notes: NOTE: Correct time is 7-9PM WE ARE NO LONGER MEETING AT BRANDON HALL SCHOOL

From: nfares Calendar

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# 2481. NFARES 2-meter net, Sunday, January 17, 2016

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2016-01-18 02:58:15 UTC
From: ad4mc.mike@...
Topic: 2481  Message: 2481

We had 14 check-ins on the NFARES 2-meter net, Sunday, January 17, 2016

K4LJG – Mike, ANCS, EC, Cobb, MT
K4RA – Tim, AEC Roswell, BP
KG5WU – Wayne, AEC Sandy Springs, BP, DR, MT, W
N4SEC – Jim, AEC, Alpharetta, BP, MT
KK4USI – Gerry, Alpharetta, BP, MT
KM4JLC – Larry, Sandy Springs, BP, MT
K4AWF – Tony, Alpharetta, MT
AC4PA – Pavel, Alpharetta, BP, MT
WA4QMJ – Jonathan, Sandy Springs, BP, MT
KW4HQ – Steven, Alpharetta
KM4GRC – John, Sandy Springs, MT
WW4MO – Marty, East Cobb
WX4WCS – Coty, Cherokee County
AD4MC - Mike, NCS, AEC Sandy Springs, BP, DR, F, MT, W

Legend:
ANCS – Alternate Net Control Station
BP - Station using Battery Power
CP - Commercial Power
DR – Station checked to GA DRATS
F - Form Message sent by station
EL – Station checked in using EchoLink
MT - MT63 Digital message send by station
NCS - Net Control Station
W - Winlink/RMS Express

Tech Chat Monday at 8:30 PM on the 145.47 repeater. Also, don't forget the CHAT ROOM which can be reached at nfarl.dodropin.org http://nfarl.dodropin.org/ The chat room is much
fun and where folks search and post links. Can't reach the repeaters?
Then fire up your Echolink and connect to node 355800 to join in.

We welcome all NFARES members to be NCS at least once per year. The Net Script can be found at nfares.org.

The next scheduled net will be held on January 24th. This net closed at 9:08 PM.

73,
Mike - AD4MC
404-981-8624

# 2482. Possible NFARES Deployment for Weather Alert

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2016-01-22 20:07:59 UTC
From: Mike Cohen
Topic: 2482  Message: 2482

NFARES Team,

*THIS IS NOT A DRILL*

The Sandy Springs Fire Department will be deploying its volunteer Fire Core Team starting at 5:00 PM Local time tonight. Tom, W4UOC, will be assigned to SSFD Vehicle #980.

We will notify you by e-mail or radio if additional deployments are requested from NFARES.

*Monitor 147.06 (+) 100Hz PL / EchoLink N4SBD-R and/or 145.47 (-) 100Hz PL / EchoLink NF4GA-R*

73,
Mike AD4MC

Mike Cohen
770-262-5212

# 2483. Re: Possible NFARES Deployment for Weather Alert

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2016-01-23 13:41:39 UTC
From: Mike Cohen
Topic: 2482  Message: 2483

NFARES Team,

No further requests from SSFD. Tom, W4UOC, returned home at 1:30 AM.

Will let you know if we get additional requests for support.

73,
Mike AD4MC

Mike Cohen
770-262-5212

On Fri, Jan 22, 2016 at 3:07 PM, Mike Cohen <ad4mc.mike@...> wrote:

> NFARES Team,
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> *THIS IS NOT A DRILL*
>
> The Sandy Springs Fire Department will be deploying its volunteer Fire
> Core Team starting at 5:00 PM Local time tonight. Tom, W4UOC, will be
> assigned to SSFD Vehicle #980.
>
> We will notify you by e-mail or radio if additional deployments are
> requested from NFARES.
>
> *Monitor 147.06 (+) 100Hz PL / EchoLink N4SBD-R and/or 145.47 (-) 100Hz PL
> / EchoLink NF4GA-R*
>
> 73,
> Mike AD4MC
>
> Mike Cohen
> 770-262-5212
>

# 2484. NFARES 2-meter net, Sunday, January 24, 2016

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2016-01-26 02:51:51 UTC
From: ad4mc.mike@...
Topic: 2484  Message: 2484

We had 21 check-ins on the NFARES 2-meter net, Sunday, January 24, 2016

KM4GRC – John, ANCS, Sandy Springs, BP, MT, DR
K4LJG – Mike, EC, Cobb, MT
KK4USI – Gerry, Alpharetta, BP, MT
AK4EX – Stuart, AEC Sandy Springs, BP, MT, DR
KG5WU – Wayne, AEC Sandy Springs, BP
KK4YDQ – Mike, AEC Milton, MT
K4RA – Tim, AEC Roswell, BP, MT, DR
KJ4ZDK – Tad, Roswell
KF4UPO – Mike, Roswell, EL
AK4TL – Clyde, Mobile Sandy Springs, BP
W4UOC – Tom, AEC Sandy Springs, BP, MT
AC4PA – Pavel, Alpharetta, BP, MT
KK4JYO – Fred, Roswell, BP, MT
K4AWF – Tony, Alpharetta, MT, DR
KM4JLC – Larry, Sandy Springs, BP, MT
N7BU – Roger, Marietta
WW4MO – Marty, East Cobb
KW4HQ – Steven, Alpharetta, MT
N4SEC – Jim, AEC Alpharetta, BP, EL Florida
K4RGK – Daryl, Roswell, BP, MT
AD4MC - Mike, NCS, AEC Sandy Springs, BP, DR, F, MT

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fun and where folks search and post links. Can't reach the repeaters?
Then fire up your Echolink and connect to node 355800 to join in.

We welcome all NFARES members to be NCS at least once per year. The Net Script can be found at nfares.org.

The next scheduled net will be held on January 31st. This net closed at 9:11 PM.

73,
Mike - AD4MC
404-981-8624

# 2485. ARRL Signs New Memorandum of Understanding with the American Red Cross

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2016-02-04 19:45:09 UTC
From: Mike Cohen
Topic: 2485  Message: 2485

Interesting and good news. Now, we need to find out who to contact
*before* they need us.

http://www.arrl.org/news/arrl-signs-new-memorandum-of-understanding-with-the-american-red-cross

Mike - AD4MC

# 2486. North Fulton ARES Meeting, Tuesday, 09 February 2016

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2016-02-07 18:55:04 UTC
From: nfares@yahoogroups.com
Topic: 2486  Message: 2486
Attachments: 1 described; binary payloads are missing from this source WARC

North Fulton ARES Meeting reminder
When: Tuesday, 09 February 2016 02:00 PM to 04:00 PM
(GMT-05:00) Eastern Time (US & Canada)

Where: Fellowship Bible Church, Room 203, 480 W Crossville Rd, Roswell, GA 30075
fellowshiproswell.org/ Thanks to Tim, K4RA, for setting up this meeting place.

Notes: NOTE: Correct time is 7-9PM WE ARE NO LONGER MEETING AT BRANDON HALL SCHOOL
Mike, AD4MC, will be giving a Demonstration of a Solar/Battery powered 5 Watt Voice/Digital VHF Station. Bring your own solar panels for a show-and-tell.

From: nfares Calendar

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# 2487. North Fulton ARES Meeting, Tuesday, 09 February 2016

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2016-02-07 19:00:24 UTC
From: nfares@yahoogroups.com
Topic: 2486  Message: 2487
Attachments: 1 described; binary payloads are missing from this source WARC

North Fulton ARES Meeting reminder
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(GMT-05:00) Eastern Time (US & Canada)

Where: Fellowship Bible Church, Room 203, 480 W Crossville Rd, Roswell, GA 30075
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# 2488. Demonstration of a Solar/Battery powered 5 Watt Voice/Digital VHF Station

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2016-02-09 15:13:16 UTC
From: Mike Cohen
Topic: 2488  Message: 2488

NFARES Team,

Here is the link to the PowerPoint "Demonstration of a Solar/Battery powered 5 Watt Voice/Digital VHF Station" for tonight's NFARES meeting:

Portable Solar Power
<https://docs.google.com/presentation/d/1L17tD_jhDOs4SOpnXtneNrmVTuER4SNX2-GfUGJcTyI/edit?usp=sharing>

In the presentation are other links to the described items.

This would a good time for a Solar Power Show & Tell, so bring your solar power toys to the meeting.

Looking forward to seeing you tonight from 7-9 PM at

Fellowship Bible Church
Room 203
480 W Crossville Rd, Roswell, GA 30075

73,
Mike AD4MC

Mike Cohen
404-981-8624

# 2489. NFARES 2-meter net, Sunday, February 7, 2016 (Super Bowl 50)

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2016-02-09 20:14:44 UTC
From: ad4mc.mike@...
Topic: 2489  Message: 2489

We had 6 check-ins on the NFARES 2-meter net, Sunday, February 7, 2016 (Super Bowl 50)

K4LJG – Mike, EC, Cobb, BP
KK4USI – Gerry, Alpharetta, BP, MT
AK4EX – Stuart, AEC Sandy Springs, BP
KM4JLC – Larry, Sandy Springs, BP, MT
K4AWF – Tony, Alpharetta, MT, W
AD4MC - Mike, NCS, AEC Sandy Springs, BP, DR, MT, W

Legend:
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fun and where folks search and post links. Can't reach the repeaters?
Then fire up your Echolink and connect to node 355800 to join in.

We welcome all NFARES members to be NCS at least once per year. The Net Script can be found at nfares.org.

The next scheduled net will be held on February 14th. This net closed at 8:53 PM.

73,
Mike - AD4MC
404-981-8624

# 2490. TONIGHT'S NFARES MEETING HAS BEEN CANCELLED

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2016-02-09 21:01:58 UTC
From: ad4mc.mike@...
Topic: 2490  Message: 2490

NFARES Team,

Tim, K4RA, just called to let me know that, due to the storm this evening, the Fellowship Bible Church will be closed and locked tonight. We will let you know when we will have our next meeting.

PLEASE RESPOND TO THIS MESSAGE SO THAT WE WILL KNOW THAT YOU RECEIVED IT. WE WILL CALL THOSE WHO DO NOT RESPOND SO THAT THEY DO NOT TRY TO GO TO THE MEETING.

Thanks & 73,

Mike AD4MC

404-981-8624

# 2491. Re: [nfares] TONIGHT'S NFARES MEETING HAS BEEN CANCELLED

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2016-02-09 21:11:30 UTC
From: Fred Ackley
Topic: 2490  Message: 2491

Wimps! ;-)

Fred
KK4JYO
On Feb 9, 2016 4:02 PM, "ad4mc.mike@... [nfares]" <
nfares-noreply@yahoogroups.com> wrote:

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>
> NFARES Team,
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>
> Tim, K4RA, just called to let me know that, due to the storm this evening,
> the Fellowship Bible Church will be closed and locked tonight. We will let
> you know when we will have our next meeting.
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> PLEASE RESPOND TO THIS MESSAGE SO THAT WE WILL KNOW THAT YOU RECEIVED IT.
> WE WILL CALL THOSE WHO DO NOT RESPOND SO THAT THEY DO NOT TRY TO GO TO THE
> MEETING.
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> Thanks & 73,
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> Mike AD4MC
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> 404-981-8624
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# 2492. Re: [nfares] TONIGHT'S NFARES MEETING HAS BEEN CANCELLED

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2016-02-09 21:26:06 UTC
From: Bill
Topic: 2490  Message: 2492

Mike -- I'll post the cancellation on the NFARL web site -- suggest you have someone do the same on the NFARES site.

Bill k4yjj

On Tue, Feb 9, 2016 at 4:01 PM, ad4mc.mike@... [nfares] <nfares-noreply@yahoogroups.com> wrote:

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> 
> NFARES Team,
> 
> 
> Tim, K4RA, just called to let me know that, due to the storm this evening,
> the Fellowship Bible Church will be closed and locked tonight. We will let
> you know when we will have our next meeting.
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> 
> PLEASE RESPOND TO THIS MESSAGE SO THAT WE WILL KNOW THAT YOU RECEIVED IT.
> WE WILL CALL THOSE WHO DO NOT RESPOND SO THAT THEY DO NOT TRY TO GO TO THE
> MEETING.
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> Thanks & 73,
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> Mike AD4MC
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> 404-981-8624
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# 2493. Re: [nfares] TONIGHT'S NFARES MEETING HAS BEEN CANCELLED

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2016-02-09 21:29:36 UTC
From: Tim Romashko
Topic: 2490  Message: 2493

I'm doing as requested and acknowledging Mike's note...

See everyone next month.
Tim
K4RA

Sent from my iPad

> On Feb 9, 2016, at 4:01 PM, ad4mc.mike@... [nfares] <nfares-noreply@yahoogroups.com> wrote:
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> NFARES Team,
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>
> Tim, K4RA, just called to let me know that, due to the storm this evening, the Fellowship Bible Church will be closed and locked tonight. We will let you know when we will have our next meeting.
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> PLEASE RESPOND TO THIS MESSAGE SO THAT WE WILL KNOW THAT YOU RECEIVED IT. WE WILL CALL THOSE WHO DO NOT RESPOND SO THAT THEY DO NOT TRY TO GO TO THE MEETING.
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> Thanks & 73,
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> Mike AD4MC
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# 2494. Re: [nfares] TONIGHT'S NFARES MEETING HAS BEEN CANCELLED

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2016-02-09 22:29:23 UTC
From: Jonathan Edman
Topic: 2490  Message: 2494

Received.

On Tue, Feb 9, 2016, 4:29 PM Tim Romashko tim.romashko@...m [nfares] <
nfares-noreply@yahoogroups.com> wrote:

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>
> I'm doing as requested and acknowledging Mike's note...
>
> See everyone next month.
> Tim
> K4RA
>
> Sent from my iPad
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>
> On Feb 9, 2016, at 4:01 PM, ad4mc.mike@gmail.com [nfares] <
> nfares-noreply@yahoogroups.com> wrote:
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> NFARES Team,
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>
> Tim, K4RA, just called to let me know that, due to the storm this evening,
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> MEETING.
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> Thanks & 73,
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> Mike AD4MC
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> 404-981-8624
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# 2495. Net tonight in lieu of canceled meeting

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2016-02-09 22:57:33 UTC
From: birmham@...
Topic: 2495  Message: 2495

Due to the weather tonight, the Fellowship Bible Church will not be open so the ARES meeting is canceled. I will be holding the meeting on RF on the 147.06 repeater at seven o'clock instead.

Thanks for your understanding!

Mike, K4LJG

# 2496. New file uploaded to nfares

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2016-02-10 01:07:52 UTC
From: nfares@yahoogroups.com
Topic: 201  Message: 2496

Hello,

This email message is a notification to let you know that
a file has been uploaded to the Files area of the nfares
group.

File : /D-STAR & D-RATS/Getting Started With D-RATS (GA).pdf
Uploaded by : mike_ad4mc <ad4mc.mike@...>
Description :

You can access this file at the URL:
https://groups.yahoo.com/neo/groups/nfares/files/D-STAR%20%26%20D-RATS/Getting%20Started%20With%20D-RATS%20%28GA%29.pdf

To learn more about file sharing for your group, please visit:
https://help.yahoo.com/kb/index?page=content&y=PROD_GRPS&locale=en_US&id=SLN15398

Regards,

mike_ad4mc <ad4mc.mike@...>

# 2497. Finding your Grid Square

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2016-02-10 01:27:59 UTC
From: ad4mc.mike@...
Topic: 2497  Message: 2497

Fred, KK4JYO, let us know that the next time he is NCS, he will be asking fory our Grid Square, not just your city. To prepare for this, you can look up your details in QRZ.com or you can go to:

http://qthlocator.free.fr/index.php http://qthlocator.free.fr/index.php

and zoom in to your street, click where you live and it will give you your latitude, longitude and Grid Square.

73,
Mike AD4MC

Mike Cohen
404-981-8624

# 2498. New file uploaded to nfares

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2016-02-10 02:04:06 UTC
From: nfares@yahoogroups.com
Topic: 201  Message: 2498

Hello,

This email message is a notification to let you know that
a file has been uploaded to the Files area of the nfares
group.

File : /RMS Express & Winlink/ExpressTutorial1130a.pdf
Uploaded by : mike_ad4mc <ad4mc.mike@...>
Description :

You can access this file at the URL:
https://groups.yahoo.com/neo/groups/nfares/files/RMS%20Express%20%26%20Winlink/ExpressTutorial1130a.pdf

To learn more about file sharing for your group, please visit:
https://help.yahoo.com/kb/index?page=content&y=PROD_GRPS&locale=en_US&id=SLN15398

Regards,

mike_ad4mc <ad4mc.mike@...>

# 2499. Twitter Text Alerts

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2016-02-10 14:05:26 UTC
From: birmham@...
Topic: 2269  Message: 2499

NFARES Twitter Text Alerts

NFARES uses Twitter to send alerts to your cell phone.
To subscribe, text “follow nfares1" to 40404 (without the quotes).
To unsubscribe, text “leave nfares1”.
To reactivate, text “on nfares1”.
Special thanks to Jim, W4QO, for setting this system up for us.

# 2500. Ratflector for GAARES is back up

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2016-02-13 16:30:51 UTC
From: KK4YDQ - Mike
Topic: 2500  Message: 2500

NFARES Members,

This week I worked to get D-RATS installed onto my Raspberry Pi. When completed I tried to connect to various "Ratflectors" to find that I could connect to all but the state ARES link for Georgia (gaares.ratflector.com).

After a fair amount of testing (and blaming parts of my new install, my router, my network provider and even my D-STAR callsign registration) it became clear that the problem was with the DNS entry for ratflector.com.

I contacted the site administrator (Amy - KE4IKF) and she was able to get the site back on-line.

Thanks to AD4MC for taking time to help me test and get this resolved!

If you need help getting d-rats or FLdigi onto your RPi, let me know.

Mike - KK4YDQ
kk4ydq@...

# 2501. GEORGIA STATE ARES MEETING

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2016-02-15 17:25:44 UTC
From: birmham@...
Topic: 2501  Message: 2501

AGENDA
GEORGIA STATE ARES MEETING
FEBRUARY 13, 2016 GPSTC

Theme: The theme for the State ARES meeting on February 13, 2016, at GPSTC, will be Critical Infrastructure & Key Resources (CIKR), Vulnerabilities, and how it affects us.

Recognition of special helpers (AG4ZR, David Benoist)
Wayne was mentioned as one of the testers of the new GA ARES website.

Weather (Keith Stellman, MIC, NWS Peachtree City)
IWT, Impact-based warnings, weather and CIKR, El Nino impacts.Congrats Wayne!

EC Orientation (Jim Millsap, WB4NWS)
EC-101 Orientation for new ECs

Georgia Power (K4TNP, Thomas Powell, P.E., Reliability Engineer, GA Power)
Vulnerabilities in Utilities and Solutions. Some of the areas we will touch on include: Smart Grid; Lightning strikes; cascade failures; power line noise – causes, detection, cures; cyber security; down wires safety & issues if help is days away; BPL; power lines in snow, ice, & wind; EMP

Special Topics
MARS
GSDF- Georgian State Defense Force ADEC, Roger Shaddick, N7BU

Digital Demonstrations
D-STAR & D-RATS
Winlink
Fldigi

Mesh Network

# 2502. //WL2KR/ North Fulton ARES Sunday Night Net Sunday, Feb 14, 2016

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2016-02-15 23:06:11 UTC
From: Fred Ackley
Topic: 2502  Message: 2502

1 KK4YJO FRED NCS Roswell Battery Power mt, dr EM74ta

2 K4LJG MIKE ANCS EAST COBB Commercial Power-ANCS (NFARES EC) mt EM73sx

3 AD4MC MIKE Sandy Springs (AEC)Battery Power dr, mt, w EM73uw

4 KK4YDQ MIKE MILTON (AEC) Battery Power f EM74tc

5 AK4EX STEWART SANDY SPRINGS (AEC) Battery Power mt EM73tw

6 K4RA TIM ROSWELL (AEC) Battery Power (short) EM74ta

7 KM4JLC LARRY SANDY SPRINGS Battery Power mt EM73ux

8 KK4PCR GRANT SANDY SPRINGS Comercial EM73uw

9 KK4USI GERRY ALPHARETTA Commercial Power EM74uv

10 KI4DSO GEORGE NORCROSS Commercial Power EM73ux

11 K4AWF TONY ALPHARETTA Commercial Power mt, w EM74uc

12 AK4TL CLYDE (mobile)

13 W4ATG ALEX CANTON Battery EM74sd

14 KW4HQ STEVEN Echo Commercial Power mt EM74ec

15 KM4GRC JOHN SANDY SPRINGS Battery

16 WA0QMJ JOHNATHAN SANDY SPRINGS mt EM73tw

Total Checkins: 16

Net closed 21:09 EST

# 2503. NFARES 2-meter net, Sunday, February 21, 2016

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2016-02-22 19:11:09 UTC
From: ad4mc.mike@...
Topic: 2503  Message: 2503

We had 22 check-ins on the NFARES 2-meter net, Sunday, February 21, 2016

KK4PCR – Grant, ANCS Sandy Springs, MT, DR, W
K4LJG – Mike, EC, Cobb, DR, MT
K4RA – Tim, AEC Roswell, BP, MT, DR
KK4YDQ – Mike, AEC Milton, MT, DR, W
AK4EX – Stuart, AEC Sandy Springs, BP, MT, DR
N4SEC – Jim, AEC Alpharetta, BP, MT
KF4UPO – Mike, Roswell, EL
KK4USI – Gerry, Alpharetta, BP, MT
AK4NA – Garry, North Fulton Hospital, BP
KM4JLC – Larry, Sandy Springs, BP, MT
AC4PA – Pavel, Alpharetta, BP, MT
KI4DSO – George, Norcross, DR
K4AWF – Tony, Alpharetta, MT, DR, W
KW4HQ – Steven, Alpharetta, BP, MT
WX4WCS – Cody, Cherokee County
K4RGK – Daryl, Roswell, BP, MT
K4UPI – Lori – Roswel, BP, MT
KK4JYO – Fred, Roswell, BP, MT, DR
KJ4ZDK – Tad, Roswell, MT
K4KME – Rich, Duluth
WA0QMJ – Jonathan, MT
AD4MC - Mike, NCS, AEC Sandy Springs, BP, DR, F, MT

Legend:
ANCS – Alternate Net Control Station
BP - Station using Battery Power
DR – Station checked to GA DRATS
F - Form Message sent by station
EL – Station checked in using EchoLink
MT - MT63 Digital message send by station
NCS - Net Control Station
W - Winlink/RMS Express

We lost the 147.06 repeater after the initial check-in and most stations transferred to 145.47 to successfully continue the net.

Tech Chat Monday at 8:30 PM on the 145.47 repeater. Also, don't forget the CHAT ROOM which can be reached at nfarl.dodropin.org http://nfarl.dodropin.org/ The chat room is much
fun and where folks search and post links. Can't reach the repeaters?
Then fire up your Echolink and connect to node 355800 to join in.

We welcome all NFARES members to be NCS at least once per year. The Net Script can be found at nfares.org.

The next scheduled net will be held on February 28th. This net closed at 9:24 PM.

73,
Mike - AD4MC
404-981-8624

# 2504. Setting up D-RATS for NFARES

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2016-02-23 01:28:42 UTC
From: ad4mc.mike@...
Topic: 2504  Message: 2504
Attachments: 2 described; binary payloads are missing from this source WARC

NFARES Team,

For those of you who are interested in setting up D-RATS, follow the instructions in the Getting Started with D-RATS attachment.

NFARES should have a "Meeting Place" on D-RATS, and for now, that can be the GA ARES port (GAARES).

Page 4 of the Getting Started with D-RATS gives examples, but to add the GAARES port, view the second attachment, D-RATS Add Port, then:
Click File, Preferences, Radio, Add,

Name: GAARES
Type: Network
Host Address: gaares.ratflector.com
Port: 9000
Password: Leave blank

Click Add, Save, and for now, have only GAARES "Enabled" checked.

We can discuss further details on our nets.

Let me know if you have any questions.

73,
Mike AD4MC

Mike Cohen
404-981-8624

# 2505. Problems with 147.06

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2016-02-24 00:39:39 UTC
From: ad4mc.mike@...
Topic: 2505  Message: 2505

NFARES Team,

The 147.06 repeater is still having problems and is down at this time. Our repeater guru Mike, W5JR, is aware of the problem and is working on getting it back in service.

Should we have an emergency situation before it is repaired, go to our alternate repeater 145.47 (-) 100 HZ PL or NF4GA-R on EchoLink.

73,
Mike AD4MC

Mike Cohen
404-981-8624

# 2506. Sunday Evening Net Log

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2016-03-03 22:34:16 UTC
From: Grant Register
Topic: 2506  Message: 2506
Attachments: 2 described; binary payloads are missing from this source WARC

Attached you will find two files, one is the Sunday evening net and the other is a blank form that may be used by the net control station. They are Excel spreadsheets which should make the net control station reporting easier. I did clear the form with K4LJG, who thought it might be a good tool. If there is time we can discuss the form in our upcoming Tuesday evening meeting.
There are some subtle differences between the Sunday evening log and the blank form, due to some changes made since the original log was done. You can enter an "X" in all the column under digital messages, except "#FLMGS", which should have a number indicating the number of messages sent/received. The form will automatically tally the columns, which I hope will help KG5WU with his reports.
I hope the form is well received and saves net control stations some time.
Please have your feedback ready for our Tuesday meeting.
KK4PCR - Grant

# 2507. New versions of fldigi and flmsg

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2016-03-03 22:41:21 UTC
From: birmham@...
Topic: 2507  Message: 2507

The latest versions of Fldigi is 3.28.08 and Flmsg is 2.0.16.01

# 2508. Ham Radio Ops needed for GA Publix Marathon-Sun March 20, 2016

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2016-03-05 20:20:55 UTC
From: ke4qcm@...
Topic: 2508  Message: 2508

Hello, I have posted this to this Yahoo group, de KE4QCM, Tom Fuller on behalf of Ham Radio Ops needed for
2016 Publix GA Marathon ARES Volunteer Signup Form-please signup at URL listed here: http://tinyurl.com/GeorgiaMarathon http://tinyurl.com/GeorgiaMarathon

It's that time of year again! Please consider volunteering again for the Publix Georgia Marathon on Sunday 3/20/2016. This very large event requires five dozen Ham Radio Operators, so please forward this message to any hams you think may be interested and available to assist.
This form is for licensed Ham Radio Operators volunteering to assist with the Publix sponsored 2015 Georgia Marathon. Event Date: Sunday, March 20, 2016
Start Time: Aid Station HROs need to be at their assigned area by 6:15am; Centennial Olympic Park assignments may start as early as 5am.
End Time: Depending on your assignment, your duties will generally end between 11am and 2:30pm, although a few earlier rest stops will end sooner.
There will be a live training meeting on Saturday, March 12, 2016 from 1pm-3pm in the DeKalb County Fire Rescue Headquarters at 1950 West Exchange Place, Tucker, GA. It is highly recommended that you attend.
Thank you and we look forward to working with you again.
Michael Gaertner (KG4GUY)and Ken Reid (KG4USN)
GA Marathon Committee
Metro Atlanta ARES

# 2509. North Fulton ARES Meeting, Tuesday, 08 March 2016

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2016-03-06 18:55:13 UTC
From: nfares@yahoogroups.com
Topic: 2509  Message: 2509
Attachments: 1 described; binary payloads are missing from this source WARC

North Fulton ARES Meeting reminder
When: Tuesday, 08 March 2016 02:00 PM to 04:00 PM
(GMT-05:00) Eastern Time (US & Canada)

Where: Fellowship Bible Church, Room 203, 480 W Crossville Rd, Roswell, GA 30075
fellowshiproswell.org/ Thanks to Tim, K4RA, for setting up this meeting place.

Notes: NOTE: Correct time is 7-9PM WE ARE NO LONGER MEETING AT BRANDON HALL SCHOOL

From: nfares Calendar

Privacy:
http://privacy.yahoo.com/privacy/us

Terms:
http://docs.yahoo.com/info/terms/

# 2510. ARISS Contact from the Atlanta Science Festival, Tuesday, March 8th starting at 11:00 AM

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2016-03-07 02:42:55 UTC
From: Mike Cohen
Topic: 2510  Message: 2510

There will be an ARISS contact from the Atlanta Science Festival on Tuesday, March 8, starting at 11:00 AM and we will have access to Livestreaming

The ARISS contact will be broadcasted live on Youtube. Feel free to invite your colleagues, family and friends to watch it at Talk to an Astronaut!
<http://atlantasciencefestival.org/spacechat>
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Talk to an Astronaut! <http://atlantasciencefestival.org/spacechat>
Atlanta Science Festival presents a once-in-a-lifetime opportunity to speak with astronauts aboard the International Space Station (ISS) via amateur radio commu...
View on atlantasciencefestival...
<http://atlantasciencefestival.org/spacechat>
Preview by Yahoo

Enjoy !!

Mike - AD4MC

# 2511. NFARES Sunday Night Net on March 6, 2016

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2016-03-07 22:42:29 UTC
From: Mike Cohen
Topic: 2511  Message: 2511
Attachments: 1 described; binary payloads are missing from this source WARC

See attached file.

73,
Mike AD4MC

Mike Cohen
404-981-8624

# 2512. Deployment List - GroupMe App

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2016-03-10 02:26:38 UTC
From: ad4mc.mike@...
Topic: 2512  Message: 2512

NFARES Team,

Thanks to a tip from the Sandy Springs Fire Depart about a distribution/deployment listing tool (App) called GroupMe, http://groupme.com/apps http://groupme.com/apps , I have set up an NFARES account. Pavel, AC4PA, started the process at last night's meeting and Jonathan, WA0QMJ, added the ARES logo (Avatar) to the heading.

I have added you to the list if I have your mobile number. If you would like to be added, please send me your mobile number. If you would like to be removed from the GroupMe list at any time, just let me know.

A big plus with GroupMe is that, unlike some other social media networks, you should only be receiving messages from the NFARES Team. You can also send messages to the NFARES Team on GroupMe.

We can discuss how best to use this App/Tool, but, IMHO, non-urgent information should continue to be sent through n
https://groups.yahoo.com/neo/groups/nfaresfares@yahoogroups.com and deployment or urgent messages should be sent through GroupMe.

It works better if you download the app, http://groupme.com/apps http://groupme.com/apps , so try it and let me know if we need to make any changes.

Mike - AD4MC

http://groupme.com/apps

GroupMe | Apps http://groupme.com/apps GroupMe brings group text messaging to every phone. Group message with the people in your life that are important to you.

View on groupme.com http://groupme.com/apps
Preview by Yahoo

# 2513. Free Scope Daily Giva Away for March

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2016-03-01 16:27:00 UTC
From: groups@...
Topic: 2513  Message: 2513

Throughout Scope Month, Keysight will be giving away a brand new 3000T X-Series oscilloscope every day! We’ll also be giving away a 4000 X-Series oscilloscope each week. Register now to be entered into the daily drawings.

Welcome to Oscilloscope Month! | Keysight (Agilent) http://www.keysight.com/main/editorial.jspx?cc=US&lc=eng&ckey=2674667&nid=-32546.0.00&id=2674667&cmpid=zzfindscopemonth.com

http://www.keysight.com/main/editorial.jspx?cc=US&lc=eng&ckey=2674667&nid=-32546.0.00&id=2674667&cmpid=zzfindscopemonth.com

Welcome to Oscilloscope Month! | Keysight (Agilent) http://www.keysight.com/main/editorial.jspx?cc=US&lc=eng&ckey=2674667&nid=-32546.0.00&id=2674667&cmpid=zzfindscopemonth.com Love oscilloscopes, or love to hate them? Join us for the entire month of March when we’ll be offering you time-saving measurement tips, access to oscillosco...

View on www.keysight.com http://www.keysight.com/main/editorial.jspx?cc=US&lc=eng&ckey=2674667&nid=-32546.0.00&id=2674667&cmpid=zzfindscopemonth.com
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73

Roger N7BU

# 2514. Grid Sqare Award

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2016-03-13 18:37:24 UTC
From: steven.hull@...
Topic: 2514  Message: 2514

Its not much but its my first award - I got all grid squares using a simple hamstick and IC-7100. Time to move up to a dipole!

# 2515. Re: [nfares] Grid Sqare Award

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2016-03-13 18:40:21 UTC
From: Mike Cohen
Topic: 2514  Message: 2515

Bravo, Steven !

Mike AD4MC
On Mar 13, 2016 2:39 PM, "steven.hull@... [nfares]" <
nfares-noreply@yahoogroups.com> wrote:

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> Its not much but its my first award - I got all grid squares using a
> simple hamstick and IC-7100. Time to move up to a dipole!
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# 2516. Fwd: Vintage Radios For Sale

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2016-03-14 21:02:09 UTC
From: W4UOC
Topic: 2516  Message: 2516
Attachments: 1 described; binary payloads are missing from this source WARC

I am sending a file listing some vintage SSB/AM and CW vintage amateur radios that I am offering for sale.
Tom Koch - W4UOC
W4uoc@...
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# 2517. There's now a $45 hard drive for your Raspberry Pi

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2016-03-15 15:40:58 UTC
From: Mike Cohen
Topic: 2517  Message: 2517

FYI...

http://thenextweb.com/gadgets/2016/03/15/theres-now-tiny-hard-drive-specifically-made-raspberry-pi/?utm_source=howtogeek&utm_medium=email&utm_campaign=newsletter

Mike - AD4MC

# 2518. Re: [nfarl] There's now a $45 hard drive for your Raspberry Pi

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2016-03-15 15:44:11 UTC
From: Aaron Melton
Topic: 2517  Message: 2518

There's also this, if you want a SSD for your RPi:

https://www.kickstarter.com/projects/1815752970/multi-function-ssd-shield-for-the-raspberry-pi-2

(Also has WiFi, RTC & battery charging capabilities.)

de KK4LOV

On Tue, Mar 15, 2016 at 11:40 AM, Mike Cohen ad4mc.mike@... [nfarl] <nfarl-noreply@yahoogroups.com> wrote:

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> FYI...
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> http://thenextweb.com/gadgets/2016/03/15/theres-now-tiny-hard-drive-specifically-made-raspberry-pi/?utm_source=howtogeek&utm_medium=email&utm_campaign=newsletter
>
> Mike - AD4MC
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# 2519. Flmsg Date & Time Formatting issues

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2016-03-16 19:12:03 UTC
From: ad4mc.mike@...
Topic: 2519  Message: 2519
Attachments: 1 described; binary payloads are missing from this source WARC

NFARES Team,

Thanks to the great support from the fldigi developement team, they have resolved the time and date issues that we have been experiencing with flmsg.

https://sourceforge.net/projects/fldigi/files/alpha_tests/
https://sourceforge.net/projects/fldigi/files/alpha_tests/

If you install the latest version of flmsg, flmsg-2.0.16.03_setup.exe https://sourceforge.net/projects/fldigi/files/alpha_tests/flmsg-2.0.16.03_setup.exe/download the problems are fixed.

Don't forget to also update fldigi. Page 7, Item 16.
https://docs.google.com/document/d/16_2aw1F8oE6zgMAqdDMEOi2-RMrJfGp1VjOGiN-o9sU/edit
https://docs.google.com/document/d/16_2aw1F8oE6zgMAqdDMEOi2-RMrJfGp1VjOGiN-o9sU/edit

after you install fmsg-2.0.16.03.

73,
Mike AD4MC

Mike Cohen
404-981-8624

# 2520. Re: [nfares] Flmsg Date & Time Formatting issues [1 Attachment]

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2016-03-17 21:43:31 UTC
From: Mike Cohen
Topic: 2519  Message: 2520

NFARES Team,

The flmsg 2.0.16.03 update did fix the hhmmL issue, but *not* the YYYYMMDD
issue. Dave, W1HKJ, took another pass at it and did fix it with

*Download flmsg-2.0.16.06_setup.exe (1.3 MB)
<https://sourceforge.net/projects/fldigi/files/latest/download?source=files>*

*Don't forget to also update fldigi. Page 7, Item
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install fmsg-2.0.16.06.73,Mike AD4MCMike Cohen404-981-8624 <404-981-8624>*

On Wed, Mar 16, 2016 at 3:12 PM, ad4mc.mike@... [nfares] <
nfares-noreply@yahoogroups.com> wrote:

>
> [Attachment(s) <#2827922321818814451_TopText> from ad4mc.mike@...
> [nfares] included below]
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> NFARES Team,
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> Thanks to the great support from the fldigi developement team, they have
> resolved the time and date issues that we have been experiencing with flmsg.
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> https://sourceforge.net/projects/fldigi/files/alpha_tests/
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> If you install the latest version of flmsg, flmsg-2.0.16.03_setup.exe
> <https://sourceforge.net/projects/fldigi/files/alpha_tests/flmsg-2.0.16.03_setup.exe/dow
nload>
> the problems are fixed.
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> Don't forget to also update fldigi. Page 7, Item 16.
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> https://docs.google.com/document/d/16_2aw1F8oE6zgMAqdDMEOi2-RMrJfGp1VjOGiN-o9sU/edit
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> 73,
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> Mike AD4MC
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> Mike Cohen
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# 2521. Auxcomm Course

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2016-03-19 14:26:51 UTC
From: Michael Birmingham
Topic: 2521  Message: 2521

> If you have not done so yet and wish to attend the Auxcomm Course on April 2-3 now is the time to register. 30 seats are allocated for the class and I have 20 left. Please share with your ARES Members. This class is only offered once per year. Please ensure you do the things listed below before registering. The seats will go quickly.
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> We have added the following offering to our schedule. Before registering, all students must submit their ICS 100,200,700,800 certificates in email to jim.millsap@... <mailto:jim.millsap@...> , along with their Amateur Radio callsign. You must also have registered at GEMA Training website per attached instructions, to sign up for the class.
>
> Auxiliary Communicator Training(M334-20)
> April 2, 2016 8:00 am - 6:00 pm, April 3, 2016 8:00 am - 6:00 pm
> Canton, GA
> Cherokee County Fire Station #21, 1190 Evenflo Drive, Canton, GA 30107
>
> To register directly for this offering, please click on the hyperlink below.
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> http://training.gema.ga.gov/TRS/broadcastInviteEmail.do?biCofId=14384
<http://training.gema.ga.gov/TRS/broadcastInviteEmail.do?biCofId=14384>
>
>
> Call 478-993-4612 if you have questions or need assistance.
>
> Course Description
> This class is designed for those auxiliary emergency communicators and groups who volunteer to provide backup emergency radio communications support to public safety agencies. Typically, this includes amateur radio and Radio Emergency Associated Communications Team (REACT) communicators, but may include other volunteer emergency communicators.
> Volunteer emergency communications operators/groups, using amateur radio, have been providing backup communications to public safety for nearly 100 years. Event planners, public safety officials, and emergency managers at all levels of government utilize their services. Often, amateur radio services have been used when other forms of communications have failed or have been disrupted. Today, nearly all the states/territories have incorporated some level of participation by amateur radio auxiliary communication operators into their TICPs and SCIPs.
> This course focuses on auxiliary communications interoperability, the relationship between the COML and the volunteer, emergency operations center (EOC) etiquette, on-the-air etiquette, FCC rules and regulations, auxiliary communications training and planning, and emergency communications deployment. It is intended to supplement and standardize an operator’s experience and knowledge of emergency amateur radio communications in a public safety context.
> Prerequisites for attendance are:
> • •☐ Completion of IS-100.b, IS-200.b, IS-700.a, and IS-800.b prior to the workshop1
> • •☐ An active FCC amateur radio license
> • •☐ Past experience in auxiliary emergency communications
> • •☐ A desire to work with COMLs in a NIMS/ICS environment
> The SWIC or State representative will need to review/validate copies of the attendees’ documentation of prerequisites prior to the course date. At least seven days prior to the course start date, the SWIC (or their designated representative) will submit an email to OEC/ICTAP verifying the students have met the prerequisites and are eligible to

participate in the course.
> It is a 20 hour, two day course with facilitated lectures and student exercises. It can be scheduled during normal business days or weekends to accommodate participants' schedules. This course builds in time for interactive discussions and activities.
> Because the content is NIMS-compliant, this offering is not modified for local circumstances. It is limited to 30 students. The course content includes:
> • •☐ Introduction
> • •☐ The Communications Unit and the EOC
> • •☐ Auxiliary Communicator Roles and Responsibilities
> • •☐ Interoperable Communications
> • •☐ Incident Communication
> • •☐ Incident Radio Communications Plan (ICS Form 205)
> • •☐ Incident Communications Center
> • •☐ Team Management and Accountability
> • •☐ Resources
> • •☐ Intrastate and Interstate Radio Networks
> • •☐ Final Exercise Exam
>
> Jim Millsap
> COML, COMT
> ESF-2 Lead
> Georgia Emergency Management Agency/
> Office of Homeland Security
> PO Box 18055
> Atlanta, Georgia 30316-0055
> (404) 635-7221 (Office)
> (404) 635-7205 (Fax)
> 1-800-TRY-GEMA (24 Hour Contact)
> Email jim.millsap@... <mailto:jim.millsap@...>
> Website www.gema.ga.gov <http://www.gema.ga.gov/>

# 2522. NFARES Sunday Night Net, March 20, 2016

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2016-03-22 00:41:56 UTC
From: Jonathan Edman
Topic: 2522  Message: 2522
Attachments: 1 described; binary payloads are missing from this source WARC

Weekly report attached.

# 2523. flmsg

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2016-03-23 14:56:35 UTC
From: ad4mc.mike@...
Topic: 2523  Message: 2523

NFARES Team,

As many of you know, the date and time formatting in flmsg ICS-213 has not been working correctly. The fldigi team created an Alpha test version, flmsg 2.0.16.06, that fixed that, but the link I had previously sent you for that version is no longer available.

Thanks to Daryl, K4RGK, for finding that. It is again available with a new link,

https://sourceforge.net/projects/fldigi/files/alpha_tests/flmsg-2.0.16.06_setup.exe/download https://sourceforge.net/projects/fldigi/files/alpha_tests/flmsg-2.0.16.06_setup.exe/download

and is included in the updated

https://docs.google.com/document/d/16_2aw1F8oE6zgMAqdDMEOi2-RMrJfGp1VjOGiN-o9sU/edit
https://docs.google.com/document/d/16_2aw1F8oE6zgMAqdDMEOi2-RMrJfGp1VjOGiN-o9sU/edit

Don't forget to also update fldigi. See Page 7, Item 16.

after you install flmsg-2.0.16.06.

73,
Mike AD4MC

Mike Cohen

404-981-8624

# 2524. NFARES Sunday night net 3-27-2016

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2016-03-29 21:57:47 UTC
From: birmham@...
Topic: 2524  Message: 2524
Attachments: 1 described; binary payloads are missing from this source WARC

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# 2525. Stable version of flmsg-2.0.17 that fixes the time and date formatting issues

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2016-04-01 15:33:13 UTC
From: Mike Cohen
Topic: 2525  Message: 2525
Attachments: 1 described; binary payloads are missing from this source WARC

NFARES Team,

The fldigi team has now uploaded a "stable" version of flmsg that fixes
the date and time formatting issues;

flmsg-2.0.17_setup.exe
<https://sourceforge.net/projects/fldigi/files/flmsg/flmsg-2.0.17_setup.exe/download>

and it is included in the updated

Fldigi Instructions
<https://docs.google.com/document/d/16_2aw1F8oE6zgMAqdDMEOi2-RMrJfGp1VjOGiN-o9sU/edit>

Don't forget to also update fldigi. See Page 7, Item 16. after you install
flmsg-2.0.17_setup.exe
<https://sourceforge.net/projects/fldigi/files/flmsg/flmsg-2.0.17_setup.exe/download>
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73,

Mike AD4MC

Mike Cohen

404-981-8624

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Posted by: ad4mc.mike@...
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Reply via web post
<https://groups.yahoo.com/neo/groups/nfares/conversations/messages/2523;_ylc=X3oDMTJwNG5uY
zVoBF9TAzk3MzU5NzE0BGdycElkAzMzOTk5MjMEZ3Jwc3BJZAMxNzA1MDYzMTA4BG1zZ0lkAzI1MjMEc2VjA2Z0cgR
zbGsDcnBseQRzdGltZQMxNDU4NzQ1NzM4?act=reply&messageNum=2523>
• Reply to sender
<ad4mc.mike@...?subject=Re%3A%20flmsg%20> •

# 2526. NFARES Sunday night net 4-3-2016

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2016-04-06 11:21:08 UTC
From: Jonathan Edman
Topic: 2526  Message: 2526
Attachments: 1 described; binary payloads are missing from this source WARC

My apologies for being late with this.

Jonathan

# 2527. North Fulton ARES Meeting, Tuesday, 12 April 2016

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2016-04-10 18:55:04 UTC
From: nfares@yahoogroups.com
Topic: 2527  Message: 2527
Attachments: 1 described; binary payloads are missing from this source WARC

North Fulton ARES Meeting reminder
When: Tuesday, 12 April 2016 03:00 PM to 05:00 PM
(GMT-05:00) Eastern Time (US & Canada)

Where: Fellowship Bible Church, Room 203, 480 W Crossville Rd, Roswell, GA 30075
fellowshiproswell.org/ Thanks to Tim, K4RA, for setting up this meeting place.

Notes: NOTE: Correct time is 7-9PM WE ARE NO LONGER MEETING AT BRANDON HALL SCHOOL

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# 2528. //WL2KR/ North Fulton ARES Sunday Night Net Sunday, April 10, 2016

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2016-04-11 03:06:39 UTC
From: Fred Ackley
Topic: 2528  Message: 2528

The following persons checked in to the Sunday night NFARES net on April 10, 2016:

KK4JYO NET CONTROL ROSWELL BATTERY MT-63, DRATS
AD4MC ALT NET CONTROL SANDY SPRINGS BATTERY MT-63, DRATS RMS
K4LJG MIKE NFEC MARIETTA COM MT63, DRATS
K4RA TIM ROSWELL AEC SHORT- time DRATS
KG5KWU WAYNE SANDY SPRINGS AEC BATTERY MT63, FORM
AK4EX STEWART SANDY SPRINGS AEC EOC BATTERY MT63, DRATS
N4SEC JIM ALPHARETTA AEC BATTERY MT63, RMS, DRATS
KK4USI GERRY ALPHARETTA BATTERY MT63, FORM
KM4JLC LARRY SANDY SPRINGS BATTERY MT63
KK4PCR GRANT SANDY SPRINGS COMM MT63, DRATS, RMS
WA0QMJ JOHNATHAN SANDY SPRINGS COMM MT63
KW4HQ STEVEN ALPHARETTA COMM MT63
AC4PA PAVEL ALPHARETTA BATTERY MT63
KI4DSO GEORGE NORCROSS BATTERY
K4AWF TONY ALPHARETTA COMM DRATS, RMS
WO4MW MARK SANDY SPRINGS (MOBILE)
KM4GRC JOHN SANDY SPRINGS ECHO MT63

Total Check-ins: 17
Total MT-63 13 - 2 FORMS
Total RMS 4
Total D-RATS 8

Net closed 21:09 hrs.

# 2529. //WL2KR/ North Fulton ARES Sunday Night Net Sunday, April 10, 2016

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2016-04-11 03:06:39 UTC
From: Fred Ackley
Topic: 2528  Message: 2529

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AD4MC ALT NET CONTROL SANDY SPRINGS BATTERY MT-63, DRATS RMS
K4LJG MIKE NFEC MARIETTA COM MT63, DRATS
K4RA TIM ROSWELL AEC SHORT- time DRATS
KG5KWU WAYNE SANDY SPRINGS AEC BATTERY MT63, FORM
AK4EX STEWART SANDY SPRINGS AEC EOC BATTERY MT63, DRATS
N4SEC JIM ALPHARETTA AEC BATTERY MT63, RMS, DRATS
KK4USI GERRY ALPHARETTA BATTERY MT63, FORM
KM4JLC LARRY SANDY SPRINGS BATTERY MT63
KK4PCR GRANT SANDY SPRINGS COMM MT63, DRATS, RMS
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KW4HQ STEVEN ALPHARETTA COMM MT63
AC4PA PAVEL ALPHARETTA BATTERY MT63
KI4DSO GEORGE NORCROSS BATTERY
K4AWF TONY ALPHARETTA COMM DRATS, RMS
WO4MW MARK SANDY SPRINGS (MOBILE)
KM4GRC JOHN SANDY SPRINGS ECHO MT63

Total Check-ins: 17
Total MT-63 13 - 2 FORMS
Total RMS 4
Total D-RATS 8

Net closed 21:09 hrs.

# 2530. NFARES preparations for 2016 NFARL Field Day

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2016-04-15 02:21:21 UTC
From: ad4mc.mike@...
Topic: 2530  Message: 2530
Attachments: 1 described; binary payloads are missing from this source WARC

NFARES Team,

Here is one of the things we can do to start to prepare for our 2016 NFARL Field Day Event on Saturday, June 25th and Sunday, June 26th.

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For those of you who can copy the HF ARRL bulletins, you can start practicing now. Here is the link to the daily bulletins:

W1AW Operating Schedule http://www.arrl.org/w1aw-operating-schedule

Please send me your copy of the Special Field Day Bulletin (not any of the daily bulletins that you are copying for practice. ;-) and I will add them to the packet that NFARES will be presenting to John, K4SQC, to include with the NFARL totals,

Also, here is the link to the 2016 ARRL FD Packet if you are interested. Even if you are not interested, browse through it just to get a better appreciation of what the NFARL Field Day Team must do to comply with all the rules. They do a remarkable job every year that should make us all proud to be a part of NFARL.

http://www.arrl.org/files/ file/Field-Day/2016/2016FD_ packet.pdf
http://www.arrl.org/files/file/Field-Day/2016/2016FD_packet.pdf

This is another opportunity to show that NFARES is a major team player with NFARL.

73,
Mike AD4MC

Mike Cohen
404-981-8624

# 2531. //WL2KR/North Fulton ARES Sunday Night Net, April 17, 2016

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2016-04-18 02:32:51 UTC
From: Fred Ackley
Topic: 2531  Message: 2531

KK4JYO NET CONTROL ROSWELL BATTERY MT-63, DRATS
AD4MC Echolink Baltimore MT-63, DRATS RMS
K4LJG MIKE NFEC MARIETTA COM MT63 -FORM, DRATS
KK4YDQ MIKE MILTON AEC BATTERY I/O
KG5KWU WAYNE SANDY SPRINGS AEC BATTERY MT63, FORM
AK4EX STEWART SANDY SPRINGS AEC ECHOLINK (OHIO) i/o
N4SEC JIM ALPHARETTA AEC BATTERY MT63, DRATS
W4UOC TOM SANDY SPRINGS AEC BATTERY MT63
AA4QO LARRY SANDY SPRINGS BATTERY MT63
KK4PCR GRANT ANCS SANDY SPRINGS BATTERY MT63, DRATS, RMS
WA0QMJ JOHNATHAN SANDY SPRINGS BATTERY MT63 FORM
KW4HQ STEVEN ALPHARETTA BATTERY MT63
AC4PA PAVEL ALPHARETTA BATTERY MT63
KI4DSO GEORGE NORCROSS COMM
K4AWF TONY ALPHARETTA COMM DRATS, RMS

Total Check-ins: 15
Total MT-63 11 - 3 FORMS
Total RMS 2
Total D-RATS 5

Net closed 21:10 hrs.

# 2532. NFARES Sunday Night Net 5/1/16

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2016-05-02 15:09:56 UTC
From: ad4mc.mike@...
Topic: 2532  Message: 2532
Attachments: 1 described; binary payloads are missing from this source WARC

NFARES Sunday Night Net Report 5/1/16 attached

73,
Mike AD4MC

Mike Cohen
404-981-8624

# 2533. North Fulton ARES Meeting, Tuesday, 10 May 2016

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2016-05-08 18:55:03 UTC
From: nfares@yahoogroups.com
Topic: 2533  Message: 2533
Attachments: 1 described; binary payloads are missing from this source WARC

North Fulton ARES Meeting reminder
When: Tuesday, 10 May 2016 03:00 PM to 05:00 PM
(GMT-05:00) Eastern Time (US & Canada)

Where: Fellowship Bible Church, Room 203, 480 W Crossville Rd, Roswell, GA 30075
fellowshiproswell.org/ Thanks to Tim, K4RA, for setting up this meeting place.

Notes: NOTE: Correct time is 7-9PM WE ARE NO LONGER MEETING AT BRANDON HALL SCHOOL

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# 2534. Georgia ARES Badge

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2016-05-12 22:56:44 UTC
From: birmham@...
Topic: 2534  Message: 2534

Georgia ARES Badge Increased security at served agencies
Badge Requirement for NFARES for us to be more effective with served agencies
Served agencies operate under:
· NIMS National Incident Management System
· ICS Incident Command System
Basic knowledge plus background check
www.gaares.org http://www.gaares.org
NIMS ICS Training: http://training.fema.gov/is/nims.aspx
IS-100: Introduction to Incident Command System, ICS-100 IS-200: ICS for Single Resources and Initial Action Incidents IS-700: National Incident Management System (NIMS) An Introduction IS-800: National Response Framework, An Introduction One of the following -
ARRL Training: http://www.arrl.org/online-course-catalog
EC-001: Introduction to Emergency Communication (EC-001) OR

Gwinnett County ARES: http://www.gwinnettares.org/training.htm Gwinnett ARES Basic Skills Online Test

# 2535. Happy Birthday Mike

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2016-05-24 11:54:27 UTC
From: Mike Cohen
Topic: 2535  Message: 2535

To the NFARES Team,

Today is K4LJG's birthday.

*Happy Birthday, Mike !!!*

# 2536. Re: [nfares] Happy Birthday Mike

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2016-05-24 14:15:36 UTC
From: Michael Birmingham
Topic: 2535  Message: 2536

Thanks so much!! Mike, K4LJG

> On May 24, 2016, at 7:54 AM, Mike Cohen ad4mc.mike@... [nfares]
<nfares-noreply@yahoogroups.com> wrote:
>
>
> To the NFARES Team,
>
> Today is K4LJG's birthday.
>
> Happy Birthday, Mike !!!
>
>

# 2537. NFARES 2-meter net Sunday, May 29, 2016

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2016-05-30 12:53:00 UTC
From: Mike Cohen
Topic: 2537  Message: 2537

We had 6 check-ins on the net.
AD4MC, MIKE, NCS, AEC SANDY SPRINGS, BP, MT
K4LJG, ANCS, E.COBB, EC, MT
KW4HQ, STEVEN, ALPHARETTA, BP, MT, F
KK4JYO, FRED, ROSWELL, BP, MT
WA0QMJ, JONATHAN, SANDY SPRINGS, BP, MT, F
K4AWF, TONY, ALPHARETTA, BP, MT, F
NET ENDED 8:55 PM
NEXT NET ON JUNE 5TH.

NOTE THAT THIS REPORT WAS PREPARED ON A CELLPHONE, SINCE MY HOME INTERNET IS DOWN.
73
MIKE-AD4MC

# 2538. 2016 0522 ARES Net

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2016-05-30 23:22:34 UTC
From: birmham@...
Topic: 2538  Message: 2538

SUNDAY NET 5-22-2016
NCS K4LJG MIKE E COBB COMM D 213
KK4JYO FRED ROSWELL BATT D 213
AD4MC MIKE SANDY SPRINGS BATT D
AK4EX STUART SANDY SPRINGS BATT
KW4JQ STEPHEN ALPH BATT D
WA0QMJ JONATHAN SANDY SPRINGS BAT D 213
AA4QO LARRY DAYTON COMM D EL
N1ABM JIM CHROKEE ARES WOODSTOCK COMM
N4SEC JIM ALPHA BATT
N4TOL JOHN ROSWELL COMM
K4AWF TONY ALPHA COMM D 213
KI4NZJ RICHARD CHATT BATT
K4RA TIM ROSWELL BATT
WK4U TOM ROSWELL BATT

14 CHECKINS
7 FLDIGI

3 213 FORMS

# 2539. New file uploaded to nfares

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2016-05-31 21:41:06 UTC
From: nfares@yahoogroups.com
Topic: 201  Message: 2539

Hello,

This email message is a notification to let you know that
a file has been uploaded to the Files area of the nfares
group.

File : /ARRL Radiogram/Radiogram Message formating MPG104A.pdf
Uploaded by : mike_ad4mc <ad4mc.mike@...>
Description :

You can access this file at the URL:
https://groups.yahoo.com/neo/groups/nfares/files/ARRL%20Radiogram/Radiogram%20Message%20formating%20MPG104A.pdf

To learn more about file sharing for your group, please visit:
https://help.yahoo.com/kb/index?page=content&y=PROD_GRPS&locale=en_US&id=SLN15398

Regards,

mike_ad4mc <ad4mc.mike@...>

# 2540. New file uploaded to nfares

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2016-06-05 13:14:06 UTC
From: nfares@yahoogroups.com
Topic: 201  Message: 2540

Hello,

This email message is a notification to let you know that
a file has been uploaded to the Files area of the nfares
group.

File : /ARRL Radiogram/Using the ARRL Radiogram Form with flmsg.doc
Uploaded by : mike_ad4mc <ad4mc.mike@...>
Description :

You can access this file at the URL:
https://groups.yahoo.com/neo/groups/nfares/files/ARRL%20Radiogram/Using%20the%20ARRL%20Radiogram%20Form%20with%20flmsg.doc

To learn more about file sharing for your group, please visit:
https://help.yahoo.com/kb/index?page=content&y=PROD_GRPS&locale=en_US&id=SLN15398

Regards,

mike_ad4mc <ad4mc.mike@...>

# 2541. Using the ARRL Radiogram Form with flmsg

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2016-06-05 14:10:51 UTC
From: ad4mc.mike@...
Topic: 2541  Message: 2541
Attachments: 1 described; binary payloads are missing from this source WARC

NFARES Team,

NFARES will be supporting NFARL on Field Day by sending and receiving digital messages using the ARRL Radiogram Form.

We will discuss and practice using the ARRL Radiogram form during our Sunday nets until Field Day and will focus on the form fields that are different from those in the ICS-213 form. Fortunately for us, flmsg has a semi-automated ARRL Radiogram Form template that simplifies its completion.

Attached is a file with the basic instructions for using the flmsg ARRL Radiogram Form. In the file, there is a link to another file with the detailed methods of using the ARRL Radiogram form if you are interested in becoming more proficient with the many Radiogram options.

"See you" on the Sunday night nets.

Mike - AD4MC

# 2542. Support for the Sandy Springs Fireworks Display on Sunday, July 3rd

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2016-06-09 16:15:30 UTC
From: ad4mc.mike@...
Topic: 2542  Message: 2542

NFARES Team,

Mark E. Ware, Community Affairs Officer, Sandy Springs Fire Rescue, has requested that NFARES again provide ham radio support for the fourth annual Fireworks Display on Sunday, July 3rd.

Mark will be sending me the final plans as soon as they are complete and I will forward them to you. (Including parking passes and specific parking locations)

This part will most likely remain the same as last year: We met met at 5:30 PM at the CERT trailer located on the green in front of the King and Queen building at The Concourse in Sandy Springs. We then got a safety review with the Sandy Springs Police and Fire Departments and were given our final location assignments.

Last year, we had 15 amateur radio volunteers and we hope to have at least that many this year with the goal to buddy up with two or more hams at each of the assigned locations.

One more point: This is a "tough" assignment....at least it was for me the previous years. Our task is to be stationed on the top levels of the parking decks in the area of the fireworks display to spot and report by radio (146.400, simplex, SS-2) any out-of-blast-area hot embers that could start fires when they land on the ground or other buildings. What make this "tough" is that when everyone else is looking up at the fireworks, we are supposed to be looking down. I must admit that I couldn't help myself from looking up at the fantastic show. That's why it would be good to have enough spotters at each location so that the task can be alternately shared with one (or more) looking down while another is "allowed" to look up. This year, we will be teaming up with the Sandy Springs Fire Corps volunteers.

As many of us have been experiencing lately, ham radio support for public service events is a lot of fun. Well...helping with a fireworks show is a really super lot of fun.

Please let me know if you can join us.

More info to follow "soon"...

73,
Mike - AD4MC

404-981-8624

# 2543. North Fulton ARES Meeting, Tuesday, 14 June 2016

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2016-06-12 18:55:03 UTC
From: nfares@yahoogroups.com
Topic: 2543  Message: 2543
Attachments: 1 described; binary payloads are missing from this source WARC

North Fulton ARES Meeting reminder
When: Tuesday, 14 June 2016 03:00 PM to 05:00 PM
(GMT-05:00) Eastern Time (US & Canada)

Where: Fellowship Bible Church, Room 203, 480 W Crossville Rd, Roswell, GA 30075
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# 2544. NFARES Sunday night net 6-5-2016

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2016-06-13 00:08:01 UTC
From: Jonathan Edman
Topic: 2544  Message: 2544
Attachments: 1 described; binary payloads are missing from this source WARC

My apologies for being so late getting this to you all.

Jonathan

# 2545. NFARES Meeting, Tuesday, June 14, 2016

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2016-06-14 14:39:26 UTC
From: ad4mc.mike@...
Topic: 2545  Message: 2545

NFARES Team,

At tonight's meeting, Wayne, KG5WU and Mike, AD4MC, will be covering NFARES support for some upcoming events, including Field Day, Sandy Springs Fireworks, Peachtree Road Race and GA-400 Bike Ride.

Here's a link to the slides we will be showing, which includes a link to other info and will save you from needing/wanting to take notes.

https://docs.google.com/presentation/d/1Cm5JCUofv-Cxagzq9Xv2kIcHEVvpf1EmSSrEklG9fkE/edit?usp=sharing https://docs.google.com/presentation/d/1Cm5JCUofv-Cxagzq9Xv2kIcHEVvpf1EmSSrEklG9fkE/edit?usp=sharing

See you tonight...

Mike - AD4MC

# 2546. NFARES Sunday Night Net 6-19-16

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2016-06-20 01:50:26 UTC
From: ad4mc.mike@...
Topic: 2546  Message: 2546
Attachments: 1 described; binary payloads are missing from this source WARC

NFARES Team,

NFARES Sunday Night Net 6-19-16

Mike - AD4MC

# 2547. When everything else fails, amateur radio will still be there—and thriving | Ars Technica

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2016-06-20 15:29:13 UTC
From: Mike Cohen
Topic: 2547  Message: 2547

Good article and video (IMHO) supporting amateur radio...

http://arstechnica.com/gadgets/2016/06/when-everything-else-fails-amateur-radio-will-still-be-there-and-thriving/?utm_source=howtogeek&utm_medium=email&utm_campaign=newsletter

73,

Mike - AD4MC

# 2548. Re: [nfares] NFARES preparations for 2016 NFARL Field Day [1 Attachment]

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2016-06-20 21:07:33 UTC
From: Mike Cohen
Topic: 2530  Message: 2548

NFARES Team,

Grant, KK4PCR, has successfully copied the nightly ARRL bulletin. Below is a reminder of how he did it...

On Thu, Apr 14, 2016 at 10:21 PM, ad4mc.mike@... [nfares] <nfares-noreply@yahoogroups.com> wrote:

> 
> [Attachment(s) <#m_5405194894981208441_TopText> from ad4mc.mike@gmail.com
> [nfares] included below]
> 
> NFARES Team,
> 
> Here is one of the things we can do to start to prepare for our 2016 NFARL
> Field Day Event on Saturday, June 25th and Sunday, June 26th.
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> 
> http://www.arrl.org/files/ file/Field-Day/2016/2016FD_ packet.pdf
> <http://www.arrl.org/files/file/Field-Day/2016/2016FD_packet.pdf>

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> This is another opportunity to show that NFARES is a major team player
> with NFARL.
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> 73,
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> Mike AD4MC
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> Mike Cohen
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> 404-981-8624
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# 2549. Fwd: ARLX006 2016 W1AW Field Day Bulletin Schedule

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2016-06-20 21:39:46 UTC
From: Mike Cohen
Topic: 2549  Message: 2549

FYI

Mike - AD4MC
---------- Forwarded message ----------
From: ARRL Web site <memberlist@...>
Date: Mon, Jun 20, 2016 at 5:26 PM
Subject: ARLX006 2016 W1AW Field Day Bulletin Schedule
To: ad4mc.mike@...

SB SPCL @ ARL $ARLX006
ARLX006 2016 W1AW Field Day Bulletin Schedule

ZCZC AX06
QST de W1AW
Special Bulletin 6 ARLX006
From ARRL Headquarters
Newington CT June 20, 2016
To all radio amateurs

SB SPCL ARL ARLX006
ARLX006 2016 W1AW Field Day Bulletin Schedule

Day Mode Pacific Mountain Central Eastern UTC

FRIDAY CW 5:00 PM 6:00 PM 7:00 PM 8:00 PM 0000 (Sat)
Digital 6:00 PM 7:00 PM 8:00 PM 9:00 PM 0100
Phone 6:45 PM 7:45 PM 8:45 PM 9:45 PM 0145
CW 8:00 PM 9:00 PM 10:00 PM 11:00 PM 0300

SATURDAY CW 7:00 AM 8:00 AM 9:00 AM 10:00 AM 1400
Phone 8:00 AM 9:00 AM 10:00 AM 11:00 AM 1500
CW 5:00 PM 6:00 PM 7:00 PM 8:00 PM 0000 (Sun)
Digital 6:00 PM 7:00 PM 8:00 PM 9:00 PM 0100
Phone 6:45 PM 7:45 PM 8:45 PM 9:45 PM 0145

SUNDAY CW 7:00 AM 8:00 AM 9:00 AM 10:00 AM 1400
Phone 8:00 AM 9:00 AM 10:00 AM 11:00 AM 1500
Digital 9:00 AM 10:00 AM 11:00 AM 12:00 PM 1600

K6KPH Field Day Bulletin Schedule

SATURDAY CW 7:30 AM 8:30 AM 9:30 AM 10:30 AM 1403
CW 5:30 PM 6:30 PM 7:30 PM 8:30 PM 0030 (Sun)
Digital 6:30 PM 7:30 PM 8:30 PM 9:30 PM 0130

SUNDAY CW 7:30 AM 8:30 AM 9:30 AM 10:30 AM 1430
Digital 9:30 AM 10:30 AM 11:30 AM 12:30 AM 1630

W1AW will operate on its regularly published frequencies.

CW frequencies are 1.8025, 3.5815, 7.0475, 14.0475, 18.0975, 21.0675, 28.0675 and 147.555 MHz.

Digital frequencies are 3.5975, 7.095, 14.095, 18.1025, 21.095, 28.095 and 147.555 MHz.

Phone frequencies are 1.855, 3.990, 7.290, 14.290, 18.160, 21.390, 28.590 and 147.555 MHz.

W1AW will transmit the Field Day bulletin using 45.45-baud Baudot, PSK31 in BPSK mode and MFSK16.

The W1AW EchoLink conference server W1AWBDCT will also carry the W1AW Field Day bulletin in real-time during the transmissions.

The Maritime Radio Historical Society station K6KPH will transmit the W1AW Field Day 2016 bulletin for the benefit of West Coast stations on 3.5815, 7.0475, 14.0475, 18.0975 and 21.0675 MHz using CW.

K6KPH will transmit the Field Day bulletin using Baudot, FEC AMTOR, BPSK31 and MFSK16 on 7.095 and 14.095 MHz.

The K6KPH schedule is accurate as of June 20, 2016.

Any additional transmissions or changes in the schedule will be posted on the web at,
http://www.arrl.org/files/file/Field-Day/2016/2016 w1aw sked.pdf .
NNNN
/EX

# 2550. 2016 ARRL Field Day Bulletin

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2016-06-23 01:51:44 UTC
From: ad4mc.mike@...
Topic: 2550  Message: 2550

NFARES Team,

FYI. Copied the ARRL bulletins (below) starting at 9:00 PM Local on 7.095.000 with radio dial set at 7.093.500. The first was using MFSK-16 f=1507Hz on the waterfall and the second (repeat immediately following the first) using RTTY-45 f=1415Hz on the waterfall. They may also use BPSK-31. The copy was not perfect, but pretty close using a 30 foot high G5RV antenna. I have also been able to copy the bulletins using an attic dipole.

I am planning to practice tomorrow night too and then "listen" and copy on the same frequency on Friday and Saturday nights at 9:00 PM. for our NFARL submission.

Sure would appreciate your forwarding me your copies too.

73,

Mike - AD4MC

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...

00:50:31> Main
PTT .....: None
Input ...: Microphone
4- USB Audio CODEC
Output ..: Speakers
4- USB Audio CODEC

00:50:31> Main

RSID:MFSK-16 f=15Ø7Hz

Radio Amateurs. Calling all Radio Amateurs.
This is W1AW in Newington, CT.
Calling all Radio Amateurs. Calling all Radio Amateurs.
This is W1AW in Newington, CT.
An official bulletin transmission follows using MFSK16, followed
immediately by 45.45 Baud Baudot.
This is W1AW
ARLXØØ6/Ø7 follow
ARLXØØ6/ØØ7 follow
ZCZC AXØ6
QST de W1AW
Special Bulletin 6 ARLXØØ6
From ARRL Headquarters
Newington CT June 2Ø, 2Ø16
To all radio amateurs
SB SPCL ARL ARLXØØ6

ARLXØØ6 2Ø16 W1AW Field Day Bulletin Schedule
Day Mode Pacific Mountain Central Eastern UTC
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SUNDAY CW 7:3Ø AM 8:3Ø AM 9:3Ø AM 1Ø:3Ø AM 143Ø
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W1AW will operate on its regularly published frequencies.
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21.Ø675, 28.Ø675 and 147.555 MHz.
Digital frequencies are 3.5975, 7.Ø95, 14.Ø95, 18.1Ø25, 21.Ø95,
28.Ø95 and 147.555 MHz.
Phone frequencies are 1.855, 3.99Ø, 7.29Ø, 14.29Ø, 18.16Ø, 21.39Ø,
28.59Ø and 147.555 MHz.
W1AW will transmit the Fielinzay bulletin using 45.45-baud Baudot,
PSK31 in BPSK mode and MFSK16.
The W1AW EchoLink conference server W1AWBDCT will also carry the
W1AW Field Day bulletin in real-time during the transmissions.

The Maritime Radio Historical Society station K6KPH will transmit
the W1AW Field Day 2Ø16 bulletin for the benefit of West Coast
stations on 3.5815, 7.Ø475, 14.Ø475, 18.Ø975 and 21.Ø675 MHz using
CW.
K6KPH will transmit the Field Day bulletin using Baudot, BPSK31 and
MFSK16 on 7.Ø95 and 14.Ø95 MHz.
The K6KPH schedule is accurate as of June 2Ø, 2Ø16.
Any additional transmissions or changes in the schedule will be
posted on the web at,
http://www.arrl.org/files/file/Field-Day/2Ø16/2Ø16 w1aw sked.pdf .
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ZCZC AXØ7
QST de W1AW
Special Bulletin 7 ARLXØØ7
From ARRL Headquarters
Newington CT June 2Ø, 2Ø16
To all radio amateurs

SB SPCL ARL ARLXØØ7
ARLXØØ7 ARRL Programs and Services Committee Expresses Appreciation,
Support of NTS
The ARRL Programs and Services Committee (PSC) will submit a motion
to the ARRL Board of Directors expressing appreciation for the work
and volunteer membership of the National Traffic System (NTS). The
PSC motion, submitted by ARRL Southeastern Director Doug Rehman,
K4AC, during a recent PSC meeting, thanked NTS members,
congratulated them for outstanding service, and assured them of an
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Traffic System, especially the Â1-'ed rank-and-fd tMtarticipant2aLaõo are the lifeblood of
this important ARRL program," saio+Øanoke
Division Director and PSC Chair Dr Jim Boehner, N2ZZ, who seconded
Rehman's motion. "The ARRL is committed to the NTS as a key
component in the League's public service communications plans."
The PSC will submit its motion of NTS support to the full ARRL Board
of Directors for consideration at the Board's July meeting.
The resolution points out that the handling of message traffic by
early radio aoxteurs led to the founding and naming of the ARRL in
1914. The National Traffic Plan published in 1949 gave rise to the
NTS.
The Committee cited the "countlestnhours" NTS partici>qts dete
"to operate CW, phone, and digital nets spanning both the clock and
the continent," and the more than 2ØØ NTS memòe ognized with
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Amateur Radio's public service mission, including preparation and
training for emergency communications," the resolution asserted. It
also noted that the PSC has been working to create the League's
Second Century public service communications delivery plan, and,
while reviewing the League's current operations over the past
several years, "the PSC has seen and has greatly appreciated the
valuable contributions of NTS members."
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SPECIAL BULLETIN 6 ARLXØØ6
FROM ARRL HEADQUARTERS

NEWINGTON CT JUNE 2Ø, 2Ø16
TO ALL RADIO AMATEURS
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AN ADDITIONAL TRANSMISSIONS OR CHANGES IN THE SCHEDULE WILL BE
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SPECIAL BULLETIN 7 ARLXØØ7

FROM ARRL HEADQUARTERS
NEWINGTON CT JUNE 2Ø, 2Ø16
TO ALL RADIO AMATEUS
SB SPCL ARL ARLXØØ7
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''AS FIELD DAY APPROACHES, THE ARRL BOARD'S PROGRAMS AND SERVICES COMMITTEE WANTED TO RECOGNIZE THE CONTINUED WORK OF THE NATIONAL TRAFFIC SYSTEM, ESPECIALLY THE DEDICATED ANK-AND-FILE PARTICIPANTS WHO ARE THE LIFEBLOOD OF THIS IMPORTANT ARRL PROGRAM,'' SAID ROANOKE DIVISION DIRECTOR AND PSC CHAIR DR JIM BOEHNER, N2ZZ, WHO SECONDED REMAN'S MOTION. ''THE ARRL IS COMMITTED TO THE NTS AS A KEY COMPONENT IN THE LEAGUE'S PUBLC SERVICE COMMUNICATIONS PLANS.''
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THE COMMITTEE CITED THE ''COUNTLESS HOURS'' NTS PARTICIPANTS DEVOTE ''TO OPERATE CW, PHONE, AND DIGITAL NETS SPANNING BOTH THE CLOCK AND THE ONINENT,'' AND THE MORE THAN2ØØ NTS MEMBERS RECOGNIZED WITH PUBLIC SERVICE HONOR ROLL UTAUS IN THE MO RECENV MONTHLY LISTING.
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GL DE W1AW
THIS IS ARRL HEADQUARTERS STATION W1AW IN NEWINGTON CT.
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# 2551. [nfares] Support for the Sandy Springs Fireworks Display on Sunday, July 3rd

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2016-06-27 01:27:46 UTC
From: Mike Cohen
Topic: 2542  Message: 2551

NFARES Team,

Reminder and update. We already have 9 amateur radio operators who have volunteered for this year's event, but we could use the support of many more. We also welcome unlicensed friends and family to join you.

This July 3rd Fireworks event will be our Sunday night net instead of our regular net on 147.06.

Please see below and let me know if you can join us...

73,
Mike - AD4MC
ad4mc.mike@...

404-981-8624

---------- Forwarded message ----------
From: ad4mc.mike@... [nfares] <nfares-noreply@yahoogroups.com>
Date: Thu, Jun 9, 2016 at 12:15 PM
Subject: [nfares] Support for the Sandy Springs Fireworks Display on Sunday, July 3rd
To: nfares@yahoogroups.com

NFARES Team,

Mark E. Ware, Community Affairs Officer, Sandy Springs Fire Rescue, has requested that NFARES again provide ham radio support for the fourth annual *Fireworks
Display *on *Sunday, July 3rd*.

Mark will be sending me the final plans as soon as they are complete and I will forward them to you. (Including parking passes and specific parking locations)

This part will most likely remain the same as last year: We met met at *5:30 PM at the CERT trailer located on the green in front of the King and Queen building at The Concourse in Sandy Springs*. We then got a safety review with the Sandy Springs Police and Fire Departments and were given our final location assignments.

Last year, we had 15 amateur radio volunteers and we hope to have at least that many this year with the goal to buddy up with two or more hams at each of the assigned locations.

One more point: This is a "tough" assignment....at least it was for me the previous years. Our task is to be stationed on the top levels of the parking decks in the area of the fireworks display to spot and report by radio (*146.400, simplex, SS-2*) any out-of-blast-area hot embers that could start fires when they land on the ground or other buildings. What make this "tough" is that when everyone else is looking up at the fireworks, we are supposed to be looking down. I must admit that I couldn't help myself from looking up at the fantastic show. That's why it would be good to have enough spotters at each location so that the task can be alternately shared with one (or more) looking down while another is "allowed" to look up. This year, we will be teaming up with the Sandy Springs Fire Corps volunteers.

As many of us have been experiencing lately, ham radio support for public service events is a lot of fun. Well...helping with a fireworks show is a *really
super* lot of fun.

Please let me know if you can join us.

More info to follow "soon"...

73,
Mike - AD4MC

404-981-8624

# 2552. No NFARES Net Next Sunday July 3

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2016-06-27 12:37:43 UTC
From: wcchapman@...
Topic: 2552  Message: 2552

Since most of us who check-in on Sunday night will be working the Sandy Springs fireworks show, the Sunday Night Net is cancelled for July 3.

If you'd like to help out at the fireworks show, please contact Mike AD4MC.

73 de Wayne / kg5wu

# 2553. Ga400 Bike Ride Sunday July 10 (Rest Stops)

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2016-06-27 12:40:51 UTC
From: wcchapman@...
Topic: 2553  Message: 2553

Still looking for volunteers to help out at some Rest Stops for the bike ride.

Locations are same as last year EXCEPT they added a new one at Milton High School and another one moved south of Ga20.

Rest Stop 1 - Old Alabama @ Holcomb Bridge (LA Fitness) - Tad KJ4ZDK and Norm KJ4ZDW
Rest Stop 2 - Union Hill Rd @ McFarland Pkwy (Chevron) -
Rest Stop 3 - Milton High School -
Rest Stop 4 - Howard Rd @ County Line Rd (near Ga20) -
Rest Stop 5 - Old Jones Road near Lower Union Hill @ Upper Union Hill -
Rest Stop 6 - New Providence @ Arnold Mill (Fire Station) - Mike KK4YDQ
Rest Stop 7 - Jones Rd near Woodstock St (Fire Station) -
Rest Stop 27 - Westside Pkwy @ Thompson St -

Please click "Reply to Sender" below so I can get your contact info.

Thanks ... 73 de Wayne / kg5wu

# 2554. Ga400 Bike Ride Sunday July 10 (Digital)

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2016-06-27 12:52:50 UTC
From: wcchapman@...
Topic: 2554  Message: 2554

This year, we're trying a new experiment. As you know, we've been practicing with FLDIGI for some time. It has been working great ... from home.

Now is a chance to take it into the field! We'd like to have a digital station at each Rest Stop.

Think about what you would need to operate from a remote location. You'll need to power your radio and a laptop of some description. Maybe you do it from a battery pack. Maybe you plug into your car. Whatever works for you.

Don't let "lack of digital" prevent you from volunteering at a Rest Stop. We'll still need voice comms too.

Thanks! ... 73 de Wayne / kg5wu

# 2555. NFARES earned 300 Bonus points for the 2016 NFARL Field Day Event

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2016-06-27 21:05:39 UTC
From: Mike Cohen
Topic: 2555  Message: 2555
Attachments: 4 described; binary payloads are missing from this source WARC

John, K4SQC, and the entire 2016 NFARL Field Day team,

NFARES earned 300 Bonus points for the 2016 NFARL Field Day Event. Full support documentation is included in the three attached files. Also attached is a pic of the NFARES setup with the Sandy Springs Fire Corps and Alpharetta Tactical Support Vehicles.

Bravo for another outstanding NFARL Field Day Event.

73,

NFARES Team

# 2556. North Fulton ARES Meeting, Tuesday, 12 July 2016

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2016-07-10 18:55:04 UTC
From: nfares@yahoogroups.com
Topic: 2556  Message: 2556

North Fulton ARES Meeting reminder
When: Tuesday, 12 July 2016 03:00 PM to 05:00 PM
(GMT-05:00) Eastern Time (US & Canada)

Where: Fellowship Bible Church, Room 203, 480 W Crossville Rd, Roswell, GA 30075
fellowshiproswell.org/ Thanks to Tim, K4RA, for setting up this meeting place.

Notes: NOTE: Correct time is 7-9PM WE ARE NO LONGER MEETING AT BRANDON HALL SCHOOL

From: nfares Calendar

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http://privacy.yahoo.com/privacy/us

Terms:
http://docs.yahoo.com/info/terms/

# 2557. ARES name tag

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2016-07-10 21:45:03 UTC
From: Jim Stafford
Topic: 2557  Message: 2557
Attachments: 1 described; binary payloads are missing from this source WARC

This place has ARES name tags of a slightly different version than
normal ham name tags:

http://www.hamcrazy.com/index.php?main_page=product_info&products_id=282

I've not ordered one but looks interesting.

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Jim Stafford W4QO Roswell, GA USA
QRP ARCI #6515 www.qrparci.org
NoGaQRP - Peanut #1 - www.nogaqrp.org
G-QRP#7388 MI-QRP#697 SKCC#1281 FP#21

QRP- When QRO is simply not enough (fun)!

Callsign ARES Logo Vertical ID Badge Blue

# 2558. URGENT NOTICE: CANCELLATION OF NFARES MEETING ON TUESDAY, JULY 12, 2016

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2016-07-11 14:20:37 UTC
From: ad4mc.mike@...
Topic: 2558  Message: 2558

NFARES Team (Sent on behalf of Mike, K4LJG)

DUES TO A SCHEDULING CONFLICT, THE FELLOWSHIP BIBLE CHURCH IS NOT AVAILABLE TO US THIS WEEK FOR OUR NFARES MEETING.

Since we don't have access to a meeting room this week, the July NFARES meeting will be a Net meeting on 147.06, like we have done in the past when we cancelled a meeting for bad weather. Good practice for real emergencies.

THE JULY NFARES MEETING WILL BE HELD ON TUESDAY, JULY 12TH, FROM 7-9 PM ON 147.06 (+) PL 100 Hz

# 2559. Fwd: [nfares] Deployment List - GroupMe App

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2016-07-11 18:01:51 UTC
From: Mike Cohen
Topic: 2512  Message: 2559

NFARES Team,

If you have not yet joined GroupMe, please consider joining now so that we can quickly and easily send you emergency communications.

Se e-mail below.

Mike - AD4MC
---------- Forwarded message ----------
From: ad4mc.mike@... [nfares] <nfares-noreply@yahoogroups.com>
Date: Wed, Mar 9, 2016 at 9:26 PM
Subject: [nfares] Deployment List - GroupMe App
To: nfares@yahoogroups.com

NFARES Team,

Thanks to a tip from the Sandy Springs Fire Depart about a distribution/deployment listing tool (App) called GroupMe, http://groupme.com/apps , I have set up an NFARES account. Pavel, AC4PA, started the process at last night's meeting and Jonathan, WA0QMJ, added the ARES logo (Avatar) to the heading.

I have added you to the list if I have your mobile number. If you would like to be added, please send me your mobile number. If you would like to be removed from the GroupMe list at any time, just let me know.

A big plus with GroupMe is that, unlike some other social media networks, you should only be receiving messages from the NFARES Team. You can also send messages to the NFARES Team on GroupMe.

We can discuss how best to use this App/Tool, but, IMHO, non-urgent information should continue to be sent through n <https://groups.yahoo.com/neo/groups/nfares>fares@yahoogroups.com and deployment or urgent messages should be sent through GroupMe.

It works better if you download the app, http://groupme.com/apps , so try it and let me know if we need to make any changes.

Mike - AD4MC
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GroupMe | Apps <http://groupme.com/apps>
GroupMe brings group text messaging to every phone. Group message with the people in your life that are important to you.
View on groupme.com <http://groupme.com/apps>
Preview by Yahoo

# 2560. URGENT NOTICE: CANCELLATION OF NFARES MEETING ON TUESDAY, JULY 12, 2016, Tuesday, 12 July 2016

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2016-07-12 06:55:03 UTC
From: nfares@yahoogroups.com
Topic: 2560  Message: 2560

URGENT NOTICE: CANCELLATION OF NFARES MEETING ON TUESDAY, JULY 12, 2016 reminder
When: Tuesday, 12 July 2016 03:00 PM to 05:00 PM
(GMT-05:00) Eastern Time (US & Canada)

Where: THE JULY NFARES MEETING WILL BE HELD ON TUESDAY, JULY 12TH, FROM 7-9 PM ON 147.06 (+) PL 100 Hz

Notes: NFARES Team (Sent on behalf of Mike, K4LJG)

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From: nfares Calendar

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# 2561. Fwd: flmsg 3.00.02.01 posted

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2016-07-14 21:22:10 UTC
From: Mike Cohen
Topic: 2561  Message: 2561

NFARES Team,

Thanks to Fred, KK4JYO, for suggesting the following change (below) to flmsg, I finally got around to forwarding the request to David Freese, W1HKJ, the author of the fldigi suite. I'll let you know how this moves along.

Mike - AD4MC
---------- Forwarded message ----------
From: Mike Cohen <ad4mc.mike@...>
Date: Thu, Jul 14, 2016 at 5:16 PM
Subject: Re: flmsg 3.00.02.01 posted
To: w1hkj@...

David,

As an avid and appreciative fan of your fldigi suite for years, I have been asked by our NFARES Team (North Fulton {GA} ARES) to suggest an enhancement to flmsg:

On the ICS-213 form, for example, it is common practice by me and others to click the date and time fields BEFORE typing the message and then sending the message at some later time (usually the same date). That means that the time is no longer accurate.

The request is to include a popup when clicking AutoSend to remind the sender to first update the time (and date) before sending.

Thanks again for all that you do for us, David.

73,
Mike AD4MC

Mike Cohen
404-981-8624

# 2562. Re: flmsg 3.00.02.01 posted

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2016-07-16 15:41:08 UTC
From: Mike Cohen
Topic: 2562  Message: 2562

NFARES Team,

David Freese, W1HKJ, author of the fldigi suite already responded. He sure is "customer" oriented. You can read this e-mail chain from the bottom up for full details.

Mike - AD4MC

Mike Cohen <ad4mc.mike@...>
11:32 AM (6 minutes ago)
to w1hkj
David,

Thanks for your quick response. OK. We'll try to be more disciplined in updating the time and date on the form, but it's good to know that we do have a record of when the message was actually sent if needed for verification.

Mike - AD4MC

w1hkj
9:24 AM (2 hours ago)
to me
Mike,

The Date and Time on the ICS-213 are the origination date/time. The date-time of transmission, editing, relaying, etc. can be found in the flmsg administrative header. Open the "Help/Header trace" menu item to view the header.

The header information can also be viewed by opening the data file with a text editor, i.e.

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<flmsg>2.0.17
:hdr_fm:42
W1HKJ 20162404233316* -- receipt/sent date/time group*
k2lbm 20160905160209 *-- **receipt/sent date/time group*
:hdr_ed:21
W1HKJ 20153011204504 *-- edited/prepared date/time group*
<ics213>
:inc:20 Name of the incident
:to:16 to the recipient
:p1:9 big mahof
:fm:17 from the reporter
:p2:11 little peon
:d1:8 11/30/15
:t1:5 2030Z
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:sb:47 testing the NTS formatting for ICS-213 messages
:s1:11 Dave Freese
:p3:15 Systems Analyst
:s2:9 Mama bear
:p4:15 Mother superior
:d2:8 11/30/15
:t2:5 2043Z
:mg:158 To be or not to be that is the question. Whether 'tis nobler to
have every 'i' dotted and every colon in place, or simply get the message
to the destination.
:rp:9 bug off !

Those date-time values are YYYYDDMMhhmmss
YYYY - year
DD - day
MM - month
hh - hour
mm - minute
ss - second

David

On Thu, Jul 14, 2016 at 5:22 PM, Mike Cohen <ad4mc.mike@...> wrote:

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> enhancement to flmsg:
>
> On the ICS-213 form, for example, it is common practice by me and others
> to click the date and time fields BEFORE typing the message and then
> sending the message at some later time (usually the same date). That means
> that the time is no longer accurate.
>
> The request is to include a popup when clicking AutoSend to remind the

> sender to first update the time (and date) before sending.
>
> Thanks again for all that you do for us, David.
>
> 73,
> Mike AD4MC
>
> Mike Cohen
> 404-981-8624
>
>

# 2563. July 12, 201 6 Net Meeting on147.06

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2016-07-17 20:43:11 UTC
From: Mike Cohen
Topic: 2563  Message: 2563

NFARES Team (on behalf of Mike K4LJG, who is travelling)

July 12, 2016 Net Meeting Check in list:

K4LJG - Mike
AD4MC - Mike
W4QO - Jim
KK4PCR - Grant
KI4DSO - George
KK4JYO - Fred
KJ4ZDK - Tad
KM4JXE - Scott
AC4PA - Pavel
KJ4ZDW - Norm
KK4USI - Gerry
K4AWF - Tony
KF4UPO - Mike
K4RA -Tim
K4RGK - Daryl
N4BTA - Bret
W4UOC - Tom
KW4HQ - Steven
N4SSI - Neil
K9FSM - Mike

20 Check-ins. Net started at 7:00 PM and closed at 8:30 PM

# 2564. Sunday Night Net 7/24/16

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2016-07-24 15:06:42 UTC
From: ad4mc.mike@...
Topic: 2564  Message: 2564

Heads up...For tonight's net, Mike, K4LJG, is scheduled to be NCS and I believe that he is still out of town, I will be be checking in on EL, so I will not be able to take over as NCS. Would appreciate another NFARES Team Member volunteering to be NCS tonight if K4LJG is not in town.

Thanks,

Mike - AD4MC

# 2565. Atlanta area FOX HUNT details ...

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2016-08-03 15:32:01 UTC
From: Tim Lemmon
Topic: 2565  Message: 2565

Heyeveryone.
Letsenjoy another Atlanta area radio direction fox hunt! This time,we'll start Saturday morning, August 27that 8:30am. Starting point is the Publix parking lot at theintersection of Hwy 20 (Cumming Hwy) and Ball Ground road (Hwy 372). This area is known as Free Home, and is exactly between Cumming
andCanton:https://www.google.com/maps/@34.2377948,-84.2901321,203m/data=!3m1!1e3
Thishunt is sponsored by the North Fulton Amateur Radio League (NFARL).
Wepicked this location for a few reasons. It's easy to find. There isvery little traffic in all directions, and you will be able to barelyhear the fox from this parking lot. Already confirmed. We promisethis will be a fun, yet challenging set of foxes for you to hunt! Thefox frequency will be given out to those signing up in the parkinglot that morning. The end point will have bathrooms, drinks andlight snacks.
Thiswill be very similar to the format used here in Atlanta a couplemonths ago. You will start chasing a 2M fox signal. Once you findthe 2M fox, you'll see the frequency for a local UHF 440 fox to hunton foot. The 2M radio will be cross-band repeating the UHF signal –your final fox.
Wefound the NFARL 440 UHF repeater works very well all over this area,so we will use it for logistics and coordination among our group. Please use 444.475 + (100.0 Hz).
Wereally would like to know who will plan to join the fun that morning. We will have drinks and snacks appropriate for that number. Perhapsthe group will gather for lunch after?
Finally,Shane can be at the starting point with a modern Doppler system in avehicle. That vehicle can easily carry three additional adults. Ifyou are interested in radio direction finding, but have neverexperienced it, perhaps you can ride with Shane? Again, only roomfor three additional adults. Since he knows where the foxwill be hiding, you will call all the shots. He'll simply drivewhere you tell him to go. Sound like fun? Let us know and we canhelp put you together.
Feelfree to contact either of us with any questions.
Welook forward to a ton of fun with many of you that Saturday!
Tim,WK4Utim_lemmon@...
Shane,KF4TJYkf4tjy@mindspring.com

# 2566. North Fulton ARES Meeting, Tuesday, 09 August 2016

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2016-08-07 19:00:54 UTC
From: nfares@yahoogroups.com
Topic: 2566 Message: 2566

North Fulton ARES Meeting reminder
When: Tuesday, 09 August 2016 03:00 PM to 05:00 PM
(GMT-05:00) Eastern Time (US & Canada)

Where: Fellowship Bible Church, Room 203, 480 W Crossville Rd, Roswell, GA 30075
fellowshiproswell.org/ Thanks to Tim, K4RA, for setting up this meeting place.

Notes: NOTE: Correct time is 7-9PM WE ARE NO LONGER MEETING AT BRANDON HALL SCHOOL

From: nfares Calendar

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Terms:
http://docs.yahoo.com/info/terms/

# 2567. NFARES Sunday Night Net 8/8/16

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2016-08-08 14:31:29 UTC
From: ad4mc.mike@...
Topic: 2567  Message: 2567
Attachments: 1 described; binary payloads are missing from this source WARC

NFARES Team,

NFARES Sunday Night Net 8-8-16

Thanks to Larry, AA4QO, for creating net report draft.

Mike - AD4MC

# 2568. NFARES Meeting, Tuesday, August 9, 2016

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2016-08-08 20:36:18 UTC
From: ad4mc.mike@...
Topic: 2568  Message: 2568

NFARES Team,

It's looking like Mike, K4LJG, may not be back in town for our August NFARES meeting. (3-Week Flight Simulator Training in Wichita and the Delta Data System shut down.) So, rather than having a "formal" meeting, let's have an informal Show-And-Tell meeting.

Please bring your ARES toys; like Go-Kits, Solar Panels, Battery Packs, Digital Set-Ups, plus whatever other ARES related gadgets you have.

Our biggest challenge might be to stop and vacate by 9:00 PM, but we are committed to being out by 9:00 PM so that we will be invited to come back again.

See you at the Show-And-Tell.

Mike - AD4MC

# 2569. Last night's meeting

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2016-08-10 13:56:59 UTC
From: birmham@...
Topic: 2569  Message: 2569

Thanks to Mike, AD4MC for organizing the meeting last night. It was a fun evening and I learned a lot.

It was brought up last night about the SET. This year the SET dates and type of event is up to us. I would like input from anyone as to time, date, and what your ideas are as we discussed last night. Jim Payne talked about his event coming up in just a couple of weeks and I look forward to hearing more about that.

It was great to see everyone last night.

73,

Mike, K4LJG

# 2570. SET

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2016-08-10 15:09:56 UTC
From: James Stafford
Topic: 2570  Message: 2570

I really enjoy SHOW &TELL meetings. And I was really impressed with Mikes analysis and repair of the smoking solar panel!

I'd like to see some kind of effort around that weekend of 20/21 of August. But we would probably need to have it rather organized before club meeting so we could enlist the bigger club in supporting and participating in the SummerSET.

Perhaps make up some sort of NFARES point system. For example

1 Point for each NPOTA contact across the country
2 for making a contact with one of our NPOTA stations
3 for checking into a EmComm net
10 for passing some sort of message (double point value for digital)
15 points for being in battery power
Etc etc

Jim/W4QO
R
P

# 2571. Best value in WX radio

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2016-08-10 15:19:47 UTC
From: James Stafford
Topic: 2571  Message: 2571

What is the BEST VALUE in WX radios? Must have SAME feature.

Do you have one you like? I have the alerts on my iPHONE so maybe I don’t need one other than that. My old WX radio with SAME has almost given up and died!

Jim/w4qo

This is what prompted the question as this one just appeared to me:

https://www.amazon.com/dp/B004OVE61U/ref=dra_a_rv_mr_ho_xx_P1250_1000?tag=dradisplay-20&ascsubtag=ab3b5fafbba3b2f130b75859a9e49c30_S

# 2572. FROG

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2016-08-10 19:51:50 UTC
From: Jim Stafford
Topic: 2572  Message: 2572

Several folks at the ARES meeting last night were asking about the FROG transceiver KIT.

http://www.ebay.com/itm/NEW-Frogs-calling-QRP-1-8W-Kit-CW-Receiver-Transmitter-7-023-Mhz-DIY-kit-/131131441985?hash=item1e880b0341:g:mzIAAOSwPhdU7Cob

With case:

http://www.ebay.com/itm/Frogs-Kit-CW-transceiver-radio-shortwave-radio-7-023mhz-Aluminum-shell-/131889296322?hash=item1eb536f3c2:g:P0wAAOSwaNBUgYMQ

Still it's a kit that needs to be assembled. EASY!

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# 2573. Grant's End Fed Wire

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2016-08-10 20:14:02 UTC
From: Jim Stafford
Topic: 2573  Message: 2573
Attachments: 2 described; binary payloads are missing from this source WARC

At last night's meeting, Grant showed an antenna tuner that was giving
him a lot of RF in the shack.
It is a simple tuner. It is feeding a "random" or long wire for an
antenna. Attached is a photo of a solution
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suggested a toroid that is placed around the
coax near the exit from his shack. I had forgotten a simpler solution
where he would try a coil of 6-8 turns of coax around a
PVC cylinder about 4" in diameter, with turns laying beside each other
(not scramble wound).

Also attached is another plot of suggested lengths of the antenna wire.

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# 2574. Fwd: 30A PWM Solar Charge Controller

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2016-08-10 20:25:52 UTC
From: Mike Cohen
Topic: 2574  Message: 2574

NFARES Team,

I sent the following e-mail to Scott, Stuart and Tony earlier, but figured that the rest of you might be interested in reading it too. If not, just mash your delete button.

73,
Mike - AD4MC
---------- Forwarded message ----------
From: Mike Cohen <ad4mc.mike@...>
Date: Wed, Aug 10, 2016 at 2:22 PM
Subject: 30A PWM Solar Charge Controller
To: Scott Wegener KM4JXE <km4jxe@...>
Cc: Tony Fullard K4AWF DMR <tony@...>, Stuart Williams AK4EX <swilliams2549@...>

Scott (& Stuart & Tony),

I just added PowerPoles to Scott's Solar Charge Controller and then put it through it's paces. I like it so much more than the one I have, that I just ordered one for myself. (This is the same one you also have, Tony. Price just dropped.)

https://www.amazon.com/gp/product/B00OXTKEAA/ref=oh_aui_detailpage_o00_s00?ie=UTF8&psc=1

The BIG differences between the new one any my old (cheap) one:

1. Includes meter that easily measure all important parameters. Eliminates the need to hook up separate meters
2. Will *NOT *let you connect the solar panel to the load unless a battery is *ALSO *connected (Damn fool proof!)
3. Has two USB charging ports (Only 1A though, so slow charge rate for smart phones)
4. Low voltage drop out, voltage reconnect value and overcharge voltage value are all settable

Glad for you, Scott and Tony, that you got this one. This is definitely the one that I now recommend.

Mike - AD4MC

# 2575. RE: [nfares] Grant's End Fed Wire [2 Attachments]

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2016-08-10 20:30:45 UTC
From: Chuck Catledge
Topic: 2573  Message: 2575

A toroid of the proper mix (#31 best for HF) and number of turns (depends on the band but in the range of three to eight) would very likely help. OTOH, since Grant might as well put that excess RF to use, how about trying a counterpoise wire connected to the tuner ground lug which then become an opposing extension of the long wire and give the stray RF a home to love. The ideal length of the counterpoise is somewhat experimental, but I'd try around the same length as the random wire or shorter if the counterpoise wire is on or very near the ground.

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Chuck, AE4CW

From: nfares@yahoogroups.com [mailto:nfares@yahoogroups.com] On Behalf Of Jim Stafford qrp@... [nfares]
Sent: Wednesday, August 10, 2016 16:14
To: nfares@yahoogroups.com
Cc: gregister@...
Subject: [nfares] Grant's End Fed Wire [2 Attachments]

[Attachment(s) from Jim Stafford included below]

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PVC cylinder about 4" in diameter, with turns laying beside each other
(not scramble wound).

Also attached is another plot of suggested lengths of the antenna wire.

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# 2576. Re: [nfares] Grant's End Fed Wire

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2016-08-11 01:16:40 UTC
From: Grant Register
Topic: 2573  Message: 2576

Thanks for the advice. I will try the easiest first, then the counter poise if I still have problems. Lastly the toroid
Which I will have to order. The toroid will have to be quite large to get the turns req'd.
Sent from my iPhone

> On Aug 10, 2016, at 4:30 PM, 'Chuck Catledge' ae4cw@... [nfares] <nfares-noreply@yahoogroups.com> wrote:
>
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# 2577. Fwd: Making plans for Maker Faire 2016

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2016-08-11 19:25:23 UTC
From: Mike Cohen
Topic: 2577  Message: 2577

NFARES Team,

Heads up. Here's another opportunity for NFARES to provide service to our youth community.

Mike - AD4MC
---------- Forwarded message ----------
From: Mike Cohen <ad4mc.mike@...>
Date: Thu, Aug 11, 2016 at 3:23 PM
Subject: Re: Making plans for Maker Faire 2016
To: Norman Schklar <norman@...>
Cc: -ND4V Mike Weathers <mikewxs@...>, -ND4V Mike Weathers <nd4v@...>, Alan Sellers <kw4mo@...>, "Anthony B. Gaito" <kc0csg@...>, Bob Beaman <k4bb@...>, Daryl Young <k4rgk@...>, Gene Clark <w4ayk@...>, Jeff Burgett <jburgett@...>, Jim Reed - N4BFR <n4bfr@...>, Jim Stafford W4QO <qrp@...>, Joe Grimes <wd4fgb@...>, John Kludt <johnnykludt@...>, Mark Schumann <m_schumann@...>, Martha Muir <mmuir@...>, Newton White <konewt@...>, Newton White <n4ewt@arrl.net>, Newton White <nwhite@...>, Newton White <k0nwt@...>, RALPH PICKWICK <rop3@...>, Rick Cobb <rickcobb@...>, Rick Cobb <rick@...>, "Steve Garrison, n4tty" <N4TTY@...>, Wes Lamboley <BLamboley@...>

Hi Norm,

Count me in.

Mike - AD4MC

On Thu, Aug 11, 2016 at 3:14 PM, Norman Schklar <norman@...> wrote:

> I'm hoping we'll have something CW again this year. I know it makes
> several years of cw, but it is always a hit. This has been an Atlanta
> Radio Club activity.
>
> Hoping we'll come up with a simple kit. This has been a NFARL activity.
> Looking for another great idea.
>
> While the teletype machines are old and oily and noisy, they are always a
> big hit. Alford
>
> Would really like to have an ARES presence. A couple signs. Something
> that explains ARES and the modes and methods used in emergency
> communications. And maybe a show and tell of sorts.
> Mike Cohen with N Fulton ARES has helped in the past. I'll be glad to

> help create some signage for this area. There are several ARES groups in
> our area. Maybe we can get some help from more than one group. I've tried
> to get the Section interested in an ARES exhibit, but no luck so far.
>
> I've got the signs from before. Can most likely come up with new or
> different if there are suggestions.
>
> Maybe we can have a conference call one day next week.
> Let me know what day and time works for you. I'm thinking 9:pm
> on a Monday. Maybe this coming! How would that work. I have a
> conference bridge account, so can send connect info.
>
> This first call would be just a general discussion. Maybe not even asking
> for commitment, but gathering ideas and opinions.
>
> You can reply to this email, or give me a call 770-840-9664.
>
> Thanks everyone. Looking forward to another great Maker Faire.
>
> SAT-SUN, OCTOBER 1-2, 2016
>
> http://atlanta.makerfaire.com/
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> --
> Norm
> WA4ZXV
> Georgia Section Public Information Coordinator
>
>

# 2578. Amateur Radio Volunteers Responding to Louisiana Flooding Catastrophe

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2016-08-16 12:46:03 UTC
From: Mike Cohen
Topic: 2578  Message: 2578

FYI: *Amateurs should not self-deploy to the affected area*.

http://www.arrl.org/news/amateur-radio-volunteers-responding-to-louisiana-flooding-catastrophe

Mike - AD4MC

# 2579. Baofang programming cable

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2016-08-17 21:34:39 UTC
From: Jim Stafford
Topic: 2579  Message: 2579

Does anyone have a Baofang or (I understand) Kenwood programming cable I can borrow?

My Baofang cable I got from ??? worked for 2 or 3 "loads" but now CHIRP says the radio does not "connect".

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# 2580. FEMA Teaming with Amateur Radio Clubs to Present Preparedness Information

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2016-08-18 00:06:50 UTC
From: Mike Cohen
Topic: 2580  Message: 2580

NFARES Team,

I'd like to be a part of this, but will not be available. It would be
great if one or more NFARES members register (
*Registration
<https://attendee.gotowebinar.com/register/9074175282463403523>* )

to participate.

http://www.arrl.org/news/fema-teaming-with-amateur-radio-clubs-to-present-preparedness-information

73,
Mike - AD4MC

# 2581. Re: [nfares] FEMA Teaming with Amateur Radio Clubs to Present Preparedness Information

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2016-08-18 14:58:56 UTC
From: Jonathan Edman
Topic: 2580  Message: 2581

Registered!

On Wed, Aug 17, 2016 at 8:06 PM, Mike Cohen ad4mc.mike@gmail.com [nfares] <
nfares-noreply@yahoogroups.com> wrote:

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> NFARES Team,
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> clubs-to-present-preparedness-information
>
> 73,
> Mike - AD4MC
>
>
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# 2582. NCS for Sunday, September 4th

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2016-08-28 14:20:41 UTC
From: ad4mc.mike@...
Topic: 2582  Message: 2582

NFARES Team,

I am scheduled to be NCS next Sunday, September 4th, but will be out of town and would appreciate another Team member taking my place.

Thanks & 73,

Mike - AD4MC

# 2583. Tuesday's meeting

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2016-09-08 11:26:00 UTC
From: birmham@...
Topic: 2583  Message: 2583

Our next meeting is Tuesday September 13 at the Fellowship Bible Church at seven o'clock. One of the topics for Tuesday will be whether or not we will be participating in the national SET in October. I am going to need a volunteer(s) to organize and run the SET as I am buried right now with my new job.

I hope to see everyone on Tuesday!

Mike, K4LJG

# 2584. North Fulton ARES Meeting, Tuesday, 13 September 2016

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2016-09-11 18:55:03 UTC
From: nfares@yahoogroups.com
Topic: 2584  Message: 2584

North Fulton ARES Meeting reminder
When: Tuesday, 13 September 2016 03:00 PM to 05:00 PM
(GMT-05:00) Eastern Time (US & Canada)

Where: Fellowship Bible Church, Room 203, 480 W Crossville Rd, Roswell, GA 30075
fellowshiproswell.org/ Thanks to Tim, K4RA, for setting up this meeting place.

Notes: NOTE: Correct time is 7-9PM WE ARE NO LONGER MEETING AT BRANDON HALL SCHOOL

From: nfares Calendar

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# 2585. New file uploaded to nfares

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2016-09-12 20:46:47 UTC
From: nfares@yahoogroups.com
Topic: 201  Message: 2585

Hello,

This email message is a notification to let you know that
a file has been uploaded to the Files area of the nfares
group.

File : /FLDIGI/Fldigi Instructions Link.rtf
Uploaded by : mike_ad4mc <ad4mc.mike@...>
Description :

You can access this file at the URL:
https://groups.yahoo.com/neo/groups/nfares/files/FLDIGI/Fldigi%20Instructions%20Link.rtf

To learn more about file sharing for your group, please visit:
https://help.yahoo.com/kb/index?page=content&y=PROD_GRPS&locale=en_US&id=SLN15398

Regards,

mike_ad4mc <ad4mc.mike@...>

# 2586. Fldigi Instructions Upadtes

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2016-09-12 20:59:31 UTC
From: ad4mc.mike@...
Topic: 2586  Message: 2586

NFARES Team,

There have been several updates to the fldigi and flmsg programs, so I just updated the FLDIGI Instructions to try to include those updates and uploaded an rtf file to our NFARES@YAHOOGROUPS blog to make it easier for you to find: You can download the small file, open it and then click on the
Fldigi Instructions link.

https://groups.yahoo.com/neo/groups/nfares/files/FLDIGI/
https://groups.yahoo.com/neo/groups/nfares/files/FLDIGI/

The link will always have the latest version.

Let me know if you have any questions.

73,
Mike - AD4MC

# 2587. Winlink Video

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2016-09-14 02:10:09 UTC
From: Mike Cohen
Topic: 2587  Message: 2587

NFARES Team,

Here is the link to the video from tonight's meeting.

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=1v330_1dezw

Mike - AD4MC

# 2588. Good info.....

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2016-09-21 14:07:56 UTC
From: <qrp@...>
Topic: 2588  Message: 2588

FYI.  From ARRL EmComm letter
in case you did not see
this.----------
Spotlight: Georgia Mountains' District ARES Trains On Public Event Communications SupportThe mountainous Northwest Georgia District ARES program supports four public events each year as a public service and training exercises for its operators. This month, the organization is supporting the Georgia Jewel foot races of 35, 50 and 100 miles and the seven aid stations situated along the course. ARES operators establish communication centers at each station and track all runners for event safety and progress. The 36 hour event in the mountains has only 5% cell coverage, hence the focus on Amateur Radio for essential communications.Last year, the DEC for the district and for the Georgia Digital program at large, Frank Dean, K4SJR, moved the operation from a VHF/UHF FM voice platform to Winlink Packet. Dean reported "We sent just under 400 messages via VHF Packet -- it was so much easier than sending 150 runners' information from station to station by voice." "From the start of the race in Dalton, we had a complete spreadsheet of all runners and their locations on the course."For this year's event, Dean added more communications tools at the net control center on the summit of Johns Mountain (1880') including a 70 cm repeater, six packet gateways with two VHF digipeaters, and a portable D-STAR repeater for use with six area D-STAR repeaters. Systems new and old have been tested twice in the last two months, with trials of different antennas and modes at all aid station sites. Dean reports 100% reliability of packet radio and D-STAR/D-RATS at all aid stations. They are ready to go for this month's event.Next April, Dean's ARES group will serve the Georgia Death Race - a 70 mile route over 24 hours and 40,000 feet of elevation change, a serious communications challenge.
 Jim/W4QO

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Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2016-09-21 14:08:47 UTC
From: <qrp@...>
Topic: 2589  Message: 2589

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Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2016-09-21 18:51:47 UTC
From: Tim Lemmon
Topic: 2589  Message: 2590

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Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2016-09-22 16:26:22 UTC
From: James Stafford
Topic: 2589  Message: 2591

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Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2016-09-22 17:42:49 UTC
From: Bret Arnold
Topic: 2589  Message: 2592

Count me in. After working the circle with the beam, I could take Jim's advice and move up to Preston Ridge with the old ringo ranger II.
Fun Fun,
Bret n4bta
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# 2593. Maker Faire in North Decatur on Saturday and Sunday, October 1 & 2.

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2016-09-28 17:36:23 UTC
From: ad4mc.mike@...
Topic: 2593  Message: 2593

NFARES Team,

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Please contact me ASAP to let me know if you can help us.

Thanks,
Mike - AD4MC
404-981-8624

# 2594. Maker Faire will be held in North Decatur on Saturday and Sunday, October 1 & 2.

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Date: 2016-09-28 17:58:09 UTC
From: ad4mc.mike@...
Topic: 2594  Message: 2594

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# 2595. Re: [nfares] Maker Faire in North Decatur on Saturday and Sunday, October 1 & 2.

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2016-09-28 17:59:48 UTC
From: W4UOC
Topic: 2593  Message: 2595

Peg and I will be out of town! Sorry I can't help.
Tom Koch

Sent from my iPhone

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# 2596. Communications volunteers needed - 10 Miler (10/23) and Half Marathon (11/24)

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2016-10-05 10:21:42 UTC
From: David Ziskind
Topic: 2596  Message: 2596

All,

I'm looking for several more ham radio operators for the Atlanta 10 Miler (Sunday October 23) and Thanksgiving Day Half Marathon (Thursday November 24).

Several assignments available including water stops, shadows for key event officials, and race vehicles.

Please sign up online, and email me with any special requests.

Look for Communications - Ham Operator.

Atlanta 10 Miler (Sunday October 23)
http://atlantatrackclub.volunteerlocal.com/volunteer/?start_over&id=17337

Thanksgiving Day Half Marathon (Thursday November 24)
http://atlantatrackclub.volunteerlocal.com/volunteer/?start_over&id=17362

73,
David Ziskind KE4QLH

# 2597. Hurricane

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2016-10-06 13:39:06 UTC
From: birmham@...
Topic: 2597  Message: 2597

Georgia will be severely impacted by Hurricane Matthew today and
tomorrow. Amateurs seeking to monitor and assist in the operation
should monitor 3.975 as primary and 5330.5 MHz USB as secondary. If
the conditions warrant we may take HF to 7.275 LSB or 7.2875 if that is
busy. You may also monitor 14.325 (Hurricane Watch Net) or also 7.268
the same. These are not "Check-In" nets, so monitor until appropriate.
Also do not expect continuous activity to "keep the frequency
occupied". We do not want to annoy others who might wish to use
frequencies for their other activities.
The State E.O.C. will monitor Winlink as WX4GMA@Winlink.org mailto:WX4GMA@Winlink.org, as
well as
the HF frequencies and D-Star. Reflector 030B will be in use. Also
D-star Ref 030A may be used for some closed circuit conferences.
C.A.P will have effective communications especially for Search and
Rescue.. Georgia State Defense Force is awaiting orders. They cannot
self activate.
Above all be safe.
Gene W4AYK

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ARRL Georgia Section
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# 2598. North Fulton ARES Meeting, Tuesday, 11 October 2016

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2016-10-09 18:55:08 UTC
From: nfares@yahoogroups.com
Topic: 2598  Message: 2598

North Fulton ARES Meeting reminder
When: Tuesday, 11 October 2016 03:00 PM to 05:00 PM
(GMT-05:00) Eastern Time (US & Canada)

Where: Fellowship Bible Church, Room 203, 480 W Crossville Rd, Roswell, GA 30075
fellowshiproswell.org/ Thanks to Tim, K4RA, for setting up this meeting place.

Notes: NOTE: Correct time is 7-9PM WE ARE NO LONGER MEETING AT BRANDON HALL SCHOOL

From: nfares Calendar

Privacy:
http://privacy.yahoo.com/privacy/us

Terms:
http://docs.yahoo.com/info/terms/

# 2599. Sunday Night NFARES Net

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2016-10-30 12:39:49 UTC
From: ad4mc.mike@...
Topic: 2599  Message: 2599

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73,
Mike - AD4MC

# 2600. Re: [nfares] Sunday Night NFARES Net

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2016-10-30 17:39:37 UTC
From: Jonathan Edman
Topic: 2599  Message: 2600

I will be running around the rest of the afternoon, but, assuming I'm home in time for the net, I'll gladly sit in as NCS.

And many prayers for Mike's dad and for Mike's safe travels.

Jonathan
wa0qmj

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# 2601. NFARES Net 10-30-2016

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2016-10-31 01:09:59 UTC
From: Jonathan Edman
Topic: 2601  Message: 2601
Attachments: 1 described; binary payloads are missing from this source WARC

Report attached. Totals:
Check-ins - 10
FLDIGI - 9
FLMsg - 7

Please let me know if there are any questions or concerns.

Jonathan
WA0QMJ

# 2602. CA Vacation-Adventures

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2016-11-01 11:25:23 UTC
From: Michael Lozano
Topic: 2602  Message: 2602

Folks,

I learned something important last week.

I went to CA for a family wedding....we flew into San Fran, travelled 5 hours south to Lompoc, and a couple of days (3) later, we drove back up to Monterey, CA where my God-Daugther married her newly Commissioned USAF Grad/LT in Monterey, CA area.

Knowing that I was going to the area and earlier had several conversations with Eric S. of Elecraft, I made an appointment to visit! Wow it was nice to see their operation in Watsonville, CA.

Eric gave me a tour of the company before lunchtime. I can report that Elecraft is a small Company doing it Right - from parts, to assembly, to burn-in, to Quality Assurance, to Shipping and Repairs!

For the CW/QRP types out there, I found out SOMETHING IMPORTANT...to some. While I was there, I picked up a KX-1 because there are only a limited quantity left, maybe 10-15 units. So if you ever wanted a new KX-1, you better get one before the getting is over - like Now! After these units are gone, there won't be anymore in production, as the stock of material to make the external case has been completely consumed!

Of course, support of the KX-1 is still available, but who knows how long that will last? Also, mods are still available, as I bought the mod with the 2 additional bands (30/80).

Mike
KF4UPO

# 2603. NFARES Meeting 11/08/2016

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2016-11-03 17:39:10 UTC
From: Mike Cohen
Topic: 2603  Message: 2603
Attachments: 4 described; binary payloads are missing from this source WARC

NFARES Team,

Due to popular request, we will devote most of the November NFARES meeting to programming your radios with common frequencies used by NFARES including most local repeaters.

[image: Inline image 2]

I will bring a Kenwood style HT programming cable that works with Windows 10 and CHIRP.
[image: Inline image 1]
I also have W10 cables for some Yaesu and Icom radios.

Some of the files on my laptop include:
Wouxun UV-1D, UV-2D, UV-8D
Boefeng UV3R, UV5R, UVB5
Icom ID-92AD, ID-800H, ID-880H, ID-2820
Yaesu FT-2800

We may be able to program your radios even if they are not on the above list.

Most of the programming info is on our NFARES YahooGroups File section:

https://groups.yahoo.com/neo/groups/nfares/files/CHIRP/

Will update this section after our meeting.

Check to see if you have installed the latest version of CHIRP:
http://chirp.danplanet.com/projects/chirp/wiki/Download

Bring your radios, laptops, programming cables and software *that you have already installed and set up* on your laptops and files that you can share with others.

Let's try to make this a fun experience resulting in radios that can help us more easily communicate with each other during our community events and, of course, in an emergency.

73,
Mike - AD4MC

# 2604. Metro Atlanta ARES Net Sunday afternoon

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2016-11-06 02:08:51 UTC
From: Michael Birmingham
Topic: 2604  Message: 2604

The Metro Atlanta Monthly ARES Net is Sunday afternoon at 4:00 PM local time. November is the NFARES month to do the net. I plan on being NCS. This net meets on the Jasper GA Repeater, 146.700 minus offset and PL of 123.0hz tone and Echolink node of WB4NWS-R, 593209. Please consider calling in. If you do, the net is run a little differently than our net so listen carefully to when you need to check in. It starts with ARRL officers, DECs, then the ECs are called by name. Once the EC has checked in then the AECs can check in. Since I will be running the net I will call for North Fulton AECs. All others wait for either the EL call or the general check in. Thanks and I hope to hear you on the net tomorrow. Mike, K4LJG EC of NFARES

# 2605. Re: [nfares] Metro Atlanta ARES Net Sunday afternoon

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2016-11-06 13:40:26 UTC
From: Mike Cohen
Topic: 2604  Message: 2605

NFARES Team,

FYI, I can hit the Jasper repeater, 146.700 (-) 123.0 Hz PL with 5W from Sandy Springs. Do not see WB4NWS-R on the Echolink list.

Mike - AD4MC

On Sat, Nov 5, 2016 at 10:08 PM, Michael Birmingham birmham@bellsouth.net [nfares] <nfares-noreply@yahoogroups.com> wrote:

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> time. November is the NFARES month to do the net. I plan on being NCS. This
> net meets on the Jasper GA Repeater, 146.700 minus offset and PL of 123.0hz
> tone and Echolink node of WB4NWS-R, 593209. Please consider calling in. If
> you do, the net is run a little differently than our net so listen
> carefully to when you need to check in. It starts with ARRL officers, DECs,
> then the ECs are called by name. Once the EC has checked in then the AECs
> can check in. Since I will be running the net I will call for North Fulton
> AECs. All others wait for either the EL call or the general check in.
> Thanks and I hope to hear you on the net tomorrow. Mike, K4LJG EC of NFARES
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# 2606. NFARES 2-meter net Sunday, November 6, 2016

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2016-11-07 14:44:08 UTC
From: ad4mc.mike@...
Topic: 2606  Message: 2606
Attachments: 1 described; binary payloads are missing from this source WARC

NFARES Team,

Rev. 3/19/16 NORTH FULTON AMATEUR RADIO EMERGENCY SERVICES NET

Net Date: 11/6/2016 Primary: 147.060 (+) PL 100 Hz, EchoLink N4SBD-R

Start Time: 8:30 PM Alternate: 145.470 (-) -PL 100 HZ, EchoLink NF4GA-R

End Time: 9:05 PM Codes: AEC - Assistance Emergency Coordinator EC - Emergency Coordinator BP - Battery / Backup Power

ANCS - Alternate Net Control Station EL - Echolink CP - Commercial Power

EC - Emergency Coordinator NCS - Net Control Station MB - Mobile

EL - Echolink

Next Net: 11/13/2016 NCS - Net Control Station

In / Out CALL SIGN NAME EC and AEC's Note 1 Note 2 Home QTH Operating QTH (If different from Home QTH)Operating QTH (If different from Home QTH)Operating QTH (If different from Home QTH) Power / Mobile DIGITAL MESSAGE
FLDIGI # FLMSG D-RATS RMS
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AD4MC Mike Cohen AEC NCS Sandy Springs
BP 1 1

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KK4JYO Fred Ackey
ANCS Roswell
CP 1

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K4LJG Mike Birmingham EC Marietta
CP 1

4
KT4LS Arthur Stone
Peachtree Corners
CP 1 1

5
N4SEC Jim Paine AEC Alpharetta
BP 1 1

6
AK4EX Stuart Williams AEC Sandy Springs
BP 1 1

7
KJ4ZDK Tad Berkowitz
Roswell
BP

8
AC4PA Pavel Anni
Alpharetta
BP

9
KK4PCR Charles Register
Sandy Springs
CP 1

10
KW4HQ Steven Hull
Alpharetta
CP 1 1

11
AA4QO Larry Byrnes
Sandy Springs
BP

12
WA0QMJ Jonathan Edman
Sandy Springs
BP 1 1

13
N4SBD Scott Dunbar
Alpharetta
CP

14
K4AWF Tony Fullard
Alpharetta
CP 1 1

15
AK4TL Clyde McClain
Dunwoody
CP

73,
Mike - AD4MC

# 2607. New file uploaded to nfares

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2016-11-09 16:12:32 UTC
From: nfares@yahoogroups.com
Topic: 201  Message: 2607

Hello,

This email message is a notification to let you know that
a file has been uploaded to the Files area of the nfares
group.

File : /CHIRP/Yaesu_FT-60_20161109.img
Uploaded by : mike_ad4mc <ad4mc.mike@...>
Description :

You can access this file at the URL:
https://groups.yahoo.com/neo/groups/nfares/files/CHIRP/Yaesu_FT-60_20161109.img

To learn more about file sharing for your group, please visit:
https://help.yahoo.com/kb/index?page=content&y=PROD_GRPS&locale=en_US&id=SLN15398

Regards,

mike_ad4mc <ad4mc.mike@...>

# 2608. NFARES November 8, 2016 Meeting Summary

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2016-11-09 17:13:26 UTC
From: ad4mc.mike@...
Topic: 2608  Message: 2608

NFARES Team,

Members attending last night's meeting:
K4RA - Tim
KK4JYO - Fred
KK4PCR - Grant
K4AWF - Tony
AB4TT - Steve
AK4TL - Clyde
KW4HQ-Steven
KM4JXE - Scott
AD4MC - Mike

We all extend our condolences to Mike, K4LJG, for the loss of his father.

We thank Tony, K4AWF, for handing out copies of the National Interoperability Field Operations Guide. He has extra copies of this handy guide if you ask him for one.

Grant, KK4PCR, and Stuart, AK4EX, have been developing a form for NFARES to use for maintaining a listing of the equipment we have available for emergency use. We should work together to complete and enhance this database.

The remainder of the meeting was used to program six of our radios (5 HTs and one mobile) with the 12 NFARES deployment frequencies plus many other useful repeater and simplex frequencies. Uploaded the latest CHIRP files to our https://groups.yahoo.com/neo/groups/nfares/files/CHIRP/ section. Tim, K4RA, suggested that our Sweat Mountain 444.475 Mhz repeater (memory # 20 in the newly programmed radios) be renamed from NFSWT4 to NF-4 since it has been so reliable for us at public service events and could certainly be considered as one of our deployment frequencies. Name change to be included in the next round of programming updates

If you are programming your own radios and are unsuccessfully trying to use a cable with a "cloned" Prolific chip that does not work with Windows 10, you can download and install a driver for W10 that will work. Fred, KK4JYO, found this link at the Miklor site, http://www.miklor.com/COM/UV_ Drivers.php http://www.miklor.com/COM/UV_Drivers.php , that magically worked on the first try for me on two different laptops. Note that you will need to download either the 32 bit or 64 bit version depending on your PC CPU. Also note that every time W10 updates, it will replace this driver with a newer version that will not work. You will have to re-update to the older Prolific 3.2.00.0 7/31/2007 driver each time W10 updates. The Miklor link has instructions on how to do this. Thanks for this tip, Fred. I can't count how many hours I had spent trying to resolve this Prolific driver problem.

73,

Mike - AD4MC

# 2609. National Interoperability Field Operations Guide.

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2016-11-10 16:07:00 UTC
From: ad4mc.mike@...
Topic: 2609  Message: 2609
Attachments: 1 described; binary payloads are missing from this source WARC

NFARES Team,

Tony, K4AWF, forwarded a PDF version of the National Interoperability Field Operations Guide, which I have downloaded to both my PC and smartphone, since (IMHO) it is even more convenient to use than the printed version.

Thanks, Tony!

Mike - AD4MC

# 2610. FLMSG 4.0.0

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2016-11-16 15:34:44 UTC
From: Mike Cohen
Topic: 2610  Message: 2610
Attachments: 2 described; binary payloads are missing from this source WARC

NFARES Team,

FLMSG has a major new update, 4.0.0, that has some significant changes.

When you install it, https://sourceforge.net/projects/fldigi/files/flmsg/

also download the new help file
flmsg-help.pdf <http://www.w1hkj.com/files/flmsg/flmsg-help.pdf>

FLMSG 4.0.0 now opens in a default non-ham operator mode. To get back to
our familiar format, click on *Tools *then* Expert Dialog*

[image: Inline image 3]

Don't forget to update *Fldigi*, *Configure*, *Misc*, *NBEMS *to point
to *flmsg
4.0.0*.
[image: Inline image 4]

See updated Fldigi Instructions
<https://docs.google.com/document/d/16_2aw1F8oE6zgMAqdDMEOi2-RMrJfGp1VjOGiN-o9sU/edit>

We can discuss this in detail during our Sunday night nets and during our
meetings.

73,
Mike - AD4MC

# 2611. Fwd: FLMSG 4.0.0

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2016-11-20 21:34:45 UTC
From: Mike Cohen
Topic: 2610  Message: 2611
Attachments: 4 described; binary payloads are missing from this source WARC

NFARES Team,

Learned that this new update, although it defaults to NOT having our
familiar form in startup, does have a setting to bring up the Expert Dialog
(=familiar form) on startup.

Click on Configure, User interface
[image: Inline image 1]

Check on User Interface = expert then close window
[image: Inline image 2]
The next time you open Flmsg, it will open to the familiar form page.

See updated Fldigi Instructions
<https://docs.google.com/document/d/16_2aw1F8oE6zgMAqdDMEOi2-RMrJfGp1VjOGiN-o9sU/edit>

73,
Mike - AD4MC

---------- Forwarded message ----------
From: Mike Cohen <ad4mc.mike@...>
Date: Wed, Nov 16, 2016 at 10:34 AM
Subject: FLMSG 4.0.0
To: NFARES <nfares@yahoogroups.com>

NFARES Team,

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also download the new help file
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73,
Mike - AD4MC

# 2612. NFARES 2-meter net Sunday, November 20, 2016

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2016-11-22 00:52:31 UTC
From: Mike Cohen
Topic: 2612  Message: 2612
Attachments: 1 described; binary payloads are missing from this source WARC

NFARES Team,

Rev. 3/19/16 NORTH FULTON AMATEUR RADIO EMERGENCY SERVICES NET

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*End Time:* *8:53 PM* *Codes:* AEC - Assistance Emergency Coordinator EC -
Emergency Coordinator BP - Battery / Backup Power

ANCS - Alternate Net Control Station EL - Echolink CP - Commercial Power

EC - Emergency Coordinator NCS - Net Control Station MB - Mobile

EL - Echolink

*Next Net:* *11/27/2016* NCS - Net Control Station

*In / Out* *CALL SIGN* *NAME* *EC and AEC's* *Note 1* *Note 2* *Home
QTH * *Operating
QTH (If different from Home QTH)Operating QTH (If different from Home
QTH)Operating QTH (If different from Home QTH)* *Power / Mobile* *DIGITAL
MESSAGE*

*FLDIGI* *# FLMSG* *D-RATS* *RMS*

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AD4MC Mike Cohen AEC NCS Sandy Springs
BP 1 1

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K4LJG Mike Birmingham EC ANCS East Cobb
CP 1 1

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K4RA Tim Romashko AEC Roswell
BP 1 1

4
AA4QO Larry Byrnes
Sandy Springs
BP

5
AC4PA Pavel Anni
Alpharetta
BP 1 1

6
KW4HQ Steven Hull
Alpharetta
BP 1 1

7
WX4WCS Cody Skinner
Marietta
BP

8
K4AWF Tony Fullard
Alpharetta
CP 1

9
AK4EX Stuart Williams AEC Sandy Springs Salem, SC BP

10
N4SEC Jim Paine AEC Alpharetta Venice, FL BP

73,
Mike - AD4MC

# 2613. NFARES 2-meter net Sunday, December 4, 2016

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2016-12-05 16:40:55 UTC
From: Mike Cohen
Topic: 2613  Message: 2613
Attachments: 1 described; binary payloads are missing from this source WARC

NFARES Team,

[image: Inline image 1]

73,
Mike - AD4MC

# 2614. North Fulton ARES Meeting, Tuesday, 13 December 2016

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2016-12-11 18:55:03 UTC
From: nfares@yahoogroups.com
Topic: 2614  Message: 2614

North Fulton ARES Meeting reminder
When: Tuesday, 13 December 2016 02:00 PM to 04:00 PM
(GMT-05:00) Eastern Time (US & Canada)

Where: Fellowship Bible Church, Room 203, 480 W Crossville Rd, Roswell, GA 30075
fellowshiproswell.org/ Thanks to Tim, K4RA, for setting up this meeting place.

Notes: NOTE: Correct time is 7-9PM WE ARE NO LONGER MEETING AT BRANDON HALL SCHOOL

From: nfares Calendar

Privacy:
http://privacy.yahoo.com/privacy/us

Terms:
http://docs.yahoo.com/info/terms/

# 2615. NCS for tonight's net

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2016-12-11 22:49:02 UTC
From: Mike Cohen
Topic: 2615  Message: 2615

NFARES Team,

The NCS position for tonight's net is "Open" Anyone willing to be NCS?

Mike - AD4MC

# 2616. RE: [nfares] North Fulton ARES Meeting, Tuesday, 13 December 2016

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2016-12-12 00:59:45 UTC
From: Tim Romashko
Topic: 2614  Message: 2616

Sorry Gents,

I'll be in Charlotte.:(

Tim

K4RA

From: nfares@yahoogroups.com [mailto:nfares@yahoogroups.com]
Sent: Sunday, December 11, 2016 1:55 PM
To: nfares@yahoogroups.com
Subject: [nfares] North Fulton ARES Meeting, Tuesday, 13 December 2016

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From

nfares Calendar

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# 2617. Fwd: Go kit

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2016-12-14 01:11:23 UTC
From: Mike Cohen
Topic: 2617  Message: 2617
Attachments: 1 described; binary payloads are missing from this source WARC

Tonight's NFARES presentation

Mike - AD4MC

# 2618. Yahoo

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2016-12-14 22:52:21 UTC
From: Mike Cohen
Topic: 2618  Message: 2618

FYI,

Yahoo Announces Hack Of 1 Billion Accounts: Time To Change Your Password

http://patch.com/georgia/sandysprings/s/fz375/yahoo-announces-hack-of-1-billion-accounts-time-to-change-your-password?utm_source=alert-breakingnews&utm_medium=email&utm_term=business&utm_campaign=alert

73,
Mike - AD4MC

# 2619. //wl2k R/North Fulton ARES net 12-18-16

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2016-12-20 02:51:26 UTC
From: Fred Ackley
Topic: 2619  Message: 2619
Attachments: 1 described; binary payloads are missing from this source WARC

Attached is the checkin log for the SundayARES net on 12-18-16.

Fred Ackley
KK4JYO

# 2620. //wl2k R/North Fulton ARES net 01/01/17

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2017-01-02 04:59:22 UTC
From: Fred Ackley
Topic: 2620  Message: 2620
Attachments: 1 described; binary payloads are missing from this source WARC

Attached is the NFARES Net report for 1/1/17
Regards
Fred
KK4JYO

# 2621. Happy New Year!

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2017-01-02 15:12:58 UTC
From: birmham@...
Topic: 2621  Message: 2621

I spent my New Year's weekend in bed with the flu! I hope that everyone else's was a lot more pleasant.

I have been pretty much out of the loop for the past few months for many reasons. I hope that 2017 will be better.

After seven years of dedicated work for ARES, Wayne has also been very busy and is no longer able to do the job of record keeping. So, I am looking for a computer savvy ham that is willing to take over for Wayne. Please let me know if you are interested.

I want to thank all those who have stepped up and run the nets etc.

Also, if anyone might have know Bill Tillery, WB4LON, he passed away on Christmas eve. He worked for Bellsouth for 30 years.

My house is a wreck this week as we prepare to get all the main floor floors redone due to a water leak. All of our furniture is in storage and we are using our lawn furniture in our family room! Hopefully, our life will settle down once again!

Happy New Year!

Mike, K4LJG

# 2622. Winter Storm Warning

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2017-01-05 21:17:30 UTC
From: birmham@...
Topic: 2622  Message: 2622

Winter Storm Warning
GAZ013>016-020>025-027-030>038-041>049-052>059-066>071-078-079-
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/O.UPG.KFFC.WS.A.0001.170107T0000Z-170107T1800Z/
/O.NEW.KFFC.WS.W.0001.170106T2100Z-170107T1800Z/
PICKENS-DAWSON-LUMPKIN-WHITE-BARTOW-CHEROKEE-FORSYTH-HALL-BANKS-
JACKSON-MADISON-POLK-PAULDING-COBB-NORTH FULTON-GWINNETT-BARROW-
CLARKE-OCONEE-OGLETHORPE-HARALSON-CARROLL-DOUGLAS-SOUTH FULTON-
DEKALB-ROCKDALE-WALTON-NEWTON-MORGAN-HEARD-COWETA-FAYETTE-CLAYTON-
SPALDING-HENRY-BUTTS-JASPER-TROUP-MERIWETHER-PIKE-UPSON-LAMAR-
MONROE-HARRIS-TALBOT-
INCLUDING THE CITIES OF...DAHLONEGA...CLEVELAND...CARTERSVILLE...
GAINESVILLE...MARIETTA...ATLANTA...LAWRENCEVILLE...ATHENS...
CARROLLTON...DOUGLASVILLE...EAST POINT...DECATUR...CONYERS...
COVINGTON...NEWNAN...PEACHTREE CITY...GRIFFIN
236 PM EST THU JAN 5 2017

...WINTER STORM WARNING IN EFFECT FROM 4 PM FRIDAY TO 1 PM EST
SATURDAY...

THE NATIONAL WEATHER SERVICE IN PEACHTREE CITY HAS ISSUED A
WINTER STORM WARNING FOR NORTH AND PORTIONS OF CENTRAL GEORGIA...WHICH
IS IN EFFECT FROM 4 PM FRIDAY TO 1 PM EST SATURDAY. THE WINTER
STORM WATCH IS NO LONGER IN EFFECT.

* LOCATIONS...MUCH OF NORTH AND PARTS OF WEST CENTRAL GEORGIA...
GENERALLY NORTH OF A LINE FROM HAMILTON TO FORSYTH TO LEXINGTON.
THIS INCLUDES ALL OF THE ATLANTA METRO AREA.

* HAZARD TYPES...SNOW.

* ACCUMULATIONS...2 TO 4 INCHES WITH LOCALLY HIGHER AMOUNTS.

* TIMING...BEGINNING EARLY FRIDAY EVENING AS A RAIN...SNOW...OR
SLEET MIX...BECOMING ALL SNOW OVERNIGHT FRIDAY NIGHT. THE SNOW
WILL END FROM WEST TO EAST THROUGH THE MORNING SATURDAY.

* IMPACTS...ROADS WILL BECOME SLICK MAKING TRAVEL HAZARDOUS.
SNOWFALL MAY BE HEAVY AT TIMES. TRAVEL COULD QUICKLY
BECOME DANGEROUS. EXERCISE EXTREME CAUTION IF TRAVEL IS
NECESSARY.

* WINDS...NORTHWEST WINDS AT 10 TO 15 MPH WITH GUSTS TO 25 MPH.

* TEMPERATURES...TEMPERATURES FRIDAY EVENING WILL BE IN THE LOW TO
MID 30S...FALLING INTO THE MID TO UPPER 20S BY SATURDAY MORNING.
HIGHS WILL BE IN THE 30S SATURDAY AFTERNOON...AND SOME AREAS MAY

STRUGGLE TO RISE ABOVE FREEZING.

PRECAUTIONARY/PREPAREDNESS ACTIONS...

A WINTER STORM WARNING MEANS SIGNIFICANT AMOUNTS OF SNOW ARE EXPECTED OR OCCURRING. SIGNIFICANT AMOUNTS OF SNOW ARE FORECAST THAT WILL MAKE TRAVEL DANGEROUS. ONLY TRAVEL IN AN EMERGENCY. IF YOU MUST TRAVEL...KEEP AN EXTRA FLASHLIGHT...FOOD...AND WATER IN YOUR VEHICLE IN CASE OF AN EMERGENCY. STRONG WINDS ARE ALSO POSSIBLE...WHICH WILL ALSO MAKE TRAVEL VERY HAZARDOUS OR IMPOSSIBLE.

# 2623. NFARES Monthy Meeting 1/10/17 Winlink / Winmor

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2017-01-07 17:53:11 UTC
From: Mike Cohen
Topic: 2623  Message: 2623
Attachments: 1 described; binary payloads are missing from this source WARC

NFARES Team,

For our first meeting of 2017, we will be setting up and practicing Winlink and Winmor.

The significance of these programs is that they enable us to send and receive e-mails via RF on both HF and VHF.

For this meeting, we will focus on the basic setup, direct Internet connections (Telnet Winlink) and examples of HF use (Winmor Winlink). Note that for HF and VHF use, a soundcard, like a SignaLink, is required.

Wayne, KG5WU, put together a short doc (attached) to give you the links and instructions for setting up a Winlink account and for downloading and installing Winmor. It will help if you follow Wayne's instructions before the meeting.

Bring your laptops (with Winmor installed). Soundcards and radios will not be needed for this meeting.

See you Tuesday,

73,
Mike - AD4MC

# 2624. Re: [nfares] NFARES Monthy Meeting 1/10/17 Winlink / Winmor [1 Attachment]

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2017-01-07 18:05:05 UTC
From: Wayne Chapman
Topic: 2623  Message: 2624

Please note that those instructions were written some time ago. The links still work, but they re-branded the software as "Winlink Express". Choose that link instead. Current version is 1.4.3.0.

On 1/7/2017 12:53 PM, Mike Cohen ad4mc.mike@... [nfares] wrote:
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>
> See you Tuesday,
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> 73,
> Mike - AD4MC
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# 2625. North Fulton ARES Meeting, Tuesday, 10 January 2017

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2017-01-08 18:55:05 UTC
From: nfares@yahoogroups.com
Topic: 2625  Message: 2625

North Fulton ARES Meeting reminder
When: Tuesday, 10 January 2017 02:00 PM to 04:00 PM
(GMT-05:00) Eastern Time (US & Canada)

Where: Fellowship Bible Church, Room 203, 480 W Crossville Rd, Roswell, GA 30075
fellowshiproswell.org/ Thanks to Tim, K4RA, for setting up this meeting place.

Notes: NOTE: Correct time is 7-9PM WE ARE NO LONGER MEETING AT BRANDON HALL SCHOOL

From: nfares Calendar

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Terms:
http://docs.yahoo.com/info/terms/

# 2626. NFARES Sunday Night Net, January 8, 2017

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2017-01-09 19:34:26 UTC
From: Mike Cohen
Topic: 2626  Message: 2626
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NFARES Team,

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73,
Mike - AD4MC

# 2627. NFARES-EQUIP-MODE-SHEET

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2017-01-11 20:52:43 UTC
From: Mike Cohen
Topic: 2627  Message: 2627

NFARES Team,

Grant, KK4PCR, has been developing an NFARES-EQUIP-MODE-SHEET
<https://docs.google.com/spreadsheets/d/1ZTCtmqqu-kUa0OFZwV_8HCenWw7QlUCBkeA7hXqF384/edit?usp=sharing>
that
NFARES members can complete and edit. This list will help us all know the capabilities of each member, which can help us during an emergency deployment.

He is asking that each of you complete a column for your own capabilities and keep it updated. Each Sheet has 6 columns for members. Since Sheet1 is filled in, you can enter your info starting with Sheet2. Please change the *Revision Date* below your name whenever you make changes.

NFARES-EQUIP-MODE-SHEET
<https://docs.google.com/spreadsheets/d/1ZTCtmqqu-kUa0OFZwV_8HCenWw7QlUCBkeA7hXqF384/edit?usp=sharing>

73,
Mike - AD4MC

# 2628. //wl2k R/ North Fulton ARES net 1-15-17

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2017-01-17 04:29:24 UTC
From: Fred Ackley
Topic: 2628  Message: 2628
Attachments: 1 described; binary payloads are missing from this source WARC

Attached is the North Fulton ARES net report for Jan 15, 2017.

Fred Ackley
KK4JYO

# 2629. GA State ARES Meeting

Yahoo group: nfares
Date: 2017-01-19 19:48:01 UTC
From: birmham@...
Topic: 2629  Message: 2629

Hi All

As all of you know, the GA State ARES Meeting is coming up this Saturday at the Georgia Public Safety Training Center (https://gaares.org/documents/GA-State-ARES-Meeting-Location-20170121.pdf https://gaares.org/documents/GA-State-ARES-Meeting-Location-20170121.pdf).

Please encourage your members to attend the meeting.

The full agenda is on the GA ARES website(https://gaares.org/documents/2017_ARES_Meeting_Final_ver_20170117.pdf https://gaares.org/documents/2017_ARES_Meeting_Final_ver_20170117.pdf)